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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

United States Patent and Trademark Office

[Docket No.: PTO-C-2019-0023]

National Medal of Technology and Innovation Nomination Evaluation Committee

AGENCY: United States Patent and Trademark Office, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice and request for committee nominations.

SUMMARY: The United States Patent and Trademark Office (“USPTO”) is requesting nominations of individuals to serve on the National Medal of Technology and Innovation Nomination Evaluation Committee. The USPTO will consider all timely nominations received in response to this notice as well as from other sources.

DATES: To ensure full consideration, nominations must be postmarked, faxed or electronically transmitted no later than August 1, 2019.

ADDRESSES: Nominations must be submitted to, Program Manager, National Medal of Technology and Innovation Program, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450. Nominations also may be submitted by electronic mail to: nmti@uspto.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Palafoutas, Program Manager, National Medal of Technology and Innovation Program, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, telephone (571) 272-9821, or electronic mail: nmti@uspto.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The National Medal of Technology and Innovation Nomination Evaluation Committee (“Committee”) was established in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (Title 5, United States Code, Appendix 2). The Charter for the Committee was renewed on February 13, 2018. See 83 FR 31526 (July 6, 2018). The following provides information about the Committee and membership:

- Committee members are appointed by and serve at the discretion of the

Secretary of Commerce. The Committee provides advice to the Secretary on the implementation of Public Law 96-480 (15 U.S.C. 3711), as amended August 9, 2007.

- The Committee functions solely as an advisory body under the FACA. Members are appointed to the approximately 12-member committee for a term of three years. Each member will be reevaluated at the conclusion of the three-year term with the prospect of reappointment to one additional term, pending advisory committee needs and the Secretary’s concurrence.

- Members are responsible for reviewing nominations and making recommendations for the nation’s highest honor for technological innovation, awarded annually by the President of the United States. Members of the Committee must have an understanding of, and experience in, developing and utilizing technological innovation and/or be familiar with the education, training, employment, and management of the technological workforce.

Nomination Information

- Through this notice, the USPTO is requesting nominations for approximately five (5) members of the Committee, for terms of three years that begin on upon appointment by the Secretary of Commerce.

- The USPTO is seeking nominations of candidates from small, medium-sized, and large businesses, non-profit organizations and associations, and academia, with expertise in the following sub-sectors of the technology enterprise: Medical Innovations/Bioengineering and Biomedical Technology; Technology Management/Computing/IT/Manufacturing Innovation; Technological Workforce/Workforce Training/Education. Under the FACA, membership on a committee must be balanced in background and expertise. Past Committee members generally have been Chief Executive Officers or former Chief Executive Officers; former winners of the National Medal of Technology and Innovation; presidents or distinguished faculty of universities; or senior executives of non-profit organizations. As such, they not only offer the stature of their positions but also possess intimate knowledge of the forces determining future directions for their organizations and industries. The Committee as a whole is balanced in representing geographical, professional, and diverse interests.

- Persons wishing to submit a nomination must send the nominee’s resume to the USPTO through one of the methods listed under **ADDRESSES**. A

person can self-nominate or be nominated by another individual.

- Nominees must be United States citizens, be able to fully participate in meetings pertaining to the review and selection of finalists for the National Medal of Technology and Innovation, and be able to uphold the confidential nature of an independent peer review and competitive selection process.

- The United States Patent and Trademark Office is committed to equal opportunity in the workplace and seeks a broad-based and diverse committee membership.

Dated: June 26, 2019.

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Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected costs and burden.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before August 1, 2019.

ADDRESSES: Comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of the information collection, including suggestions for reducing the burden, may be submitted directly to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA) in OMB within 30 days of this notice’s publication by either of the following methods. Please identify the comments by “OMB Control No. 3038-0104.”

- *By email addressed to:*

- *OIRAsubmissions@omb.eop.gov* or

- *By mail addressed to:* The Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention Desk Officer for the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503.

A copy of all comments submitted to OIRA should be sent to the Commodity

Futures Trading Commission (Commission) by either of the following methods. The copies should refer to "OMB Control No. 3038-0104."

- *By mail addressed to:* Christopher Kirkpatrick, Secretary of the Commission, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street NW, Washington, DC 20581;
- *By Hand Delivery/Courier to the same address; or*
- *Through the Commission's website at <http://comments.cftc.gov>. Please follow the instructions for submitting comments through the website.*

A copy of the supporting statement for the collection of information discussed herein may be obtained by visiting <http://RegInfo.gov>.

All comments must be submitted in English, or if not, accompanied by an English translation. Comments will be posted as received to <http://www.cftc.gov>. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. If you wish the Commission to consider information that you believe is exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, a petition for confidential treatment of the exempt information may be submitted according to the procedures established in § 145.9 of the Commission's regulations.¹ The Commission reserves the right, but shall have no obligation, to review, pre-screen, filter, redact, refuse or remove any or all of your submission from <http://www.cftc.gov> that it may deem to be inappropriate for publication, such as obscene language. All submissions that have been redacted or removed that contain comments on the merits of the ICR will be retained in the public comment file and will be considered as required under the Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws, and may be accessible under the Freedom of Information Act.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Melissa A. D'Arcy, Special Counsel, Division of Clearing and Risk, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, (202) 418-5086; email: mdarcy@cftc.gov, and refer to OMB Control No. 3038-0104.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Clearing Exemption for Swaps Between Certain Affiliated Entities (OMB Control No. 3038-0104). This is a request for an extension and revision of a currently approved information collection.

Abstract: Section 2(h)(1)(A) of the Commodity Exchange Act requires

certain entities to submit for clearing certain swaps if they are required to be cleared by the Commission.

Commission regulation 50.52 permits certain affiliated entities to elect not to clear inter-affiliate swaps that otherwise would be required to be cleared, provided that they meet certain conditions. The rule further requires the reporting of certain information if the inter-affiliate exemption from clearing is elected. The Commission will use the information described in this collection and reported pursuant to Commission regulation 50.52 to monitor the use of the inter-affiliate exemption from the Commission's clearing requirement and to assess any potential market risks associated with such exemption.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. On April 22, 2019, the Commission published in the **Federal Register** notice of the proposed extension of this information collection and provided 60 days for public comment on the proposed extension, 84 FR 16662 (60-Day Notice). The Commission did not receive any comments on the 60-Day Notice.

Burden Statement: The Commission is revising its estimate of the burden for this collection for counterparties to swaps between certain affiliated entities that elect the inter-affiliate exemption under Commission regulation 50.52. The respondent burden for this collection is estimated to be as follows:

Estimated Number of Respondents: 310.

Estimated Average Burden Hours per Respondent: 1 hour.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 310 hours.

Frequency of Collection: Annually; on occasion.

There are no capital costs or operating and maintenance costs associated with this collection.

(Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*)

Dated: June 26, 2019.

Robert Sidman,

Deputy Secretary of the Commission.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Notice of Intent To Renew Collection Numbers 3038-0068 and 3038-0083: Confirmation, Portfolio Reconciliation, Portfolio Compression, and Swap Trading Relationship Documentation Requirements for Swap Dealers and Major Swap Participants

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

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DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before August 1, 2019.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by "Confirmation, Portfolio Reconciliation, Portfolio Compression, and Swap Trading Relationship Documentation Requirements for Swap Dealers and Major Swap Participants," and Collection Numbers 3038-0068 and 3038-0083, by either of the following methods. Please identify the comments by "OMB Control Nos. 3038-0068 and 3038-0083":

- *By email addressed to:* OIRASubmissions@omb.eop.gov; or
- *By mail addressed to:* Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503.

A copy of all comments submitted to OIRA should be sent to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the Commission) by one of the following methods. The copies should refer to "OMB Control No. 3038-0068 and 3038-0083."

- *Through the Commission's website at <https://comments.cftc.gov>. Please follow the instructions for submitting comments through the website;*

- *By mail addressed to:* Christopher Kirkpatrick, Secretary of the Commission, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street NW, Washington, DC 20581; or

- *By Hand Delivery/Courier to the same address as specified for mail.*

¹ 17 CFR 145.9.