§ 200.30–3 Delegation of authority to Director of Division of Trading and Markets.

Pursuant to the provisions of Pub. L. 87–592, 76 Stat. 394, 15 U.S.C. 78d–1, 78d–2), the Securities and Exchange Commission hereby delegates, until the Commission orders otherwise, the following functions to the Director of the Division of Trading and Markets to be performed by him or under his direction by such person or persons as may be designated from time to time by the Chairman of the Commission:


(1) To approve the withdrawal or striking from listing and registration of securities registered on any national securities exchange pursuant to section 12(d) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78l(d)) and Rules 12a2–1 and 12a2–2 thereunder (§§ 240.12a2–1 and 240.12a2–2 of this chapter);

(2) To extend unlisted trading privileges and to deny applications for unlisted trading privileges by national securities exchanges pursuant to section 15(b) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78o(b)):

(i) To authorize the issuance of orders granting registration of brokers or dealers within forty-five days of the filing of an application for registration as a broker or dealer (or within such longer period as to which the applicant consents);

(ii) To authorize the issuance of orders canceling registrations of brokers or dealers, or pending applications for registration, if such brokers or dealers or applicants for registration are no longer in existence or have ceased to do business as brokers or dealers;

(4) Pursuant to Rule 19h–1 (§240.19h–1 of this chapter):

(i) To grant applications with respect to membership in, association with a member of, or participation in, a self-regulatory organization and for other relief as to persons who are subject to an applicable disqualification where such relationships or other relief have been approved or recommended by a self-regulatory organization;

(ii) To extend the time for Commission consideration of notices for admission to membership or participation in a self-regulatory organization or association with a member of persons subject to a statutory disqualification pursuant to paragraph (a)(7) of that rule.

(5) Pursuant to Rule 17a–5(1)(3) (§240.17a–5(1)(3) of this chapter), to consider applications, by brokers and dealers for exemptions from, and extension of time within which to file, reports required by Rule 17a–5 (§240.17a–5 of this chapter), and to grant, and to authorize the issuance of orders denying, such applications provided such applicant is advised of his right to have such denial reviewed by the Commission.

(6) Pursuant to Rules 14e–4(c), 14e–5(d), and 15c2–11(h) (§§ 240.14e–4(c), 240.14e–5(d), and 240.15c2–11(h) of this chapter), and Rules 101(d), 102(e), 104(j), and 105(c) of Regulation M (§§ 242.101(d), 242.102(e), 242.104(j), and 242.105(c) of this chapter), to grant requests for exemptions from Rules 14e–4, 14e–5, and 15c2–11 (§§ 240.14e–4, 240.14e–5, and 240.15c2–11 of this chapter), and Rules 101, 102, 104, and 105 of Regulation M (§§ 242.101, 242.102, 242.104, and 242.105 of this chapter).

(7) Pursuant to Rule 15c3–1 (§240.15c3–1 of this chapter):

(i) To approve lesser equity requirements in specialist or market maker accounts pursuant to Rule 15c3–1(a)(6)(i)(E) (§240.15c3–1(a)(6)(i)(E) of this chapter);

(ii) To grant exemptions from Rule 15c3–1 (§240.15c3–1 of this chapter) pursuant to Rule 15c3–1(b)(3) (§240.15c3–1(b)(3) of this chapter);

(iii) To grant temporary exemptions upon specified terms and conditions from the debt equity requirements of...
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Rule 15c3–1(d)(§ 240.15c3–1(d) of this chapter);

(iv) To approve a change in election of the alternative capital requirement pursuant to Rule 15c3–1(f)(1) (i) and (ii) (§ 240.15c3–1(f)(1) (i) and (ii) of this chapter);

(v) To review applications of OTC derivatives dealers filed pursuant to Appendix F of § 240.15c3–1f of this chapter, and to grant or deny such applications in full or in part; and

(vi)(A) To review amendments to applications of brokers or dealers filed pursuant to § 240.15c3–1e and § 240.15c3–1g of this chapter and to approve such amendments, unconditionally or subject to specified terms and conditions;

(B) To grant extensions and exemptions from the notification requirements of § 240.15c3–1g(e) of this chapter, unconditionally or subject to specified terms and conditions;

(C) To impose additional conditions, pursuant to § 240.15c3–1e(e) of this chapter or on an ultimate holding company of the broker or dealer that is not an ultimate holding company that has a principal regulator, as defined in § 240.15c3–3(c)(15)(ii) of this chapter;

(D) To require that a broker or dealer or the ultimate holding company of the broker or dealer provide information to the Commission pursuant to § 240.15c3–1e(a)(i)(viii)(G), § 240.15c3–1e(a)(1)(ix)(C), § 240.15c3–1e(a)(4), § 240.15c3–1g(b)(1)(i)(H), and § 240.15c3–1g(2)(1)(i)(C) of this chapter; and

(E) To determine, pursuant to § 240.15c3–1e(a)(10)(i), that the notice that a broker or dealer must provide to the Commission pursuant to § 240.15c3–1e(a)(10)(i) of this chapter will become effective for a shorter or longer period of time.

(8) Pursuant to Rule 17a–10(d) (§ 240.17a–10(d) of this chapter), to consider applications by broker-dealers for extensions of time in which to file reports required by Rule 17a–10(§ 240.17a–10 of this chapter), and to grant, and to authorize the issuance of orders denying, such applications provided such applicant is advised of his right to have such denial reviewed by the Commission. Any extension granted shall not be for more than 150 days after the close of the calendar year for which the report on Form X–17A–10 (§ 249.618 of this chapter) is made.

(9) Pursuant to Rule 10b–17(b)(2) (§ 240.10b–17(b)(2) of this chapter), to review applications of various issuers for exemption from the notice requirements of Rule 10b–17 (§ 240.10b–17 of this chapter) and to grant or deny such applications, with authority to issue orders granting and denying same, provided each applicant is advised of his right to have a denial reviewed by the Commission.

(10)(i) Pursuant to Rule 15c3–3 (§ 240.15c3–3 of this chapter) to find and designate as control locations for purposes of Rule 15c3–3(c)(7) (§ 240.15c3–3(c)(7) of this chapter) certain broker-dealer accounts which are adequate for the protection of customer securities.

(ii) Pursuant to section 36(a) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78mm(a)) to review and, either unconditionally or on specified terms and conditions, grant or deny exemptions from the collateral requirements of paragraph (b)(3) of Rule 15c3–3 of the Act (§ 240.15c3–3 of this chapter) for a type of collateral after concluding that the characteristics of such collateral are substantially comparable to the characteristics of a type of collateral previously exempted by the Commission.

(iii) Pursuant to section 36(a) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78mm(a)), to review and grant written applications for an exemption, unconditionally or subject to specified terms and conditions, for a broker or dealer to utilize a clearing agency registered with the Commission under section 17A of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78q–1) or a derivatives clearing organization registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission under section 5b of the Commodity Exchange Act (7 U.S.C. 7a–1) that does not meet the requirements of 17 CFR 240.15c3–3a, Note G.(b)(1)(i) through (iii).

(11) Upon written application or upon its own motion, either unconditionally or on specified terms and conditions, to grant or deny by order an exemption from the requirements of Regulation SHO (§ 242.200 of this chapter) under the Act pursuant to Section 36 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78mm).
(12) Pursuant to section 19(b) of the Act, 15 U.S.C. 78s(b), and Rule 19b–4 (§240.19b–4) of this chapter, to publish notices of proposed rule changes filed by self-regulatory organizations and to approve such proposed rule changes, and to find good cause to approve a proposed rule change earlier than 30 days after the date of publication of such proposed rule change and to publish the reasons for such finding. Pursuant to section 19(b) of the Act, 15 U.S.C. 78s(b), and Rule 19b–4 (§240.19b–4) of this chapter, to disapprove a proposed rule change, provided that, with respect to a particular proposed rule change, if two (2) or more Commissioners object in writing to the Director within five (5) business days of being notified by the Director that the Division intends to exercise its authority to disapprove that particular proposed rule change, then the delegation of authority to approve or disapprove that proposal is withdrawn, and the Director shall either present a recommendation to the Commission or institute pursuant to delegated authority proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be disapproved. In addition, pursuant to section 19(b)(10) of the Act, 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(10), to notify a self-regulatory organization that a proposed rule change does not comply with the rules of the Commission relating to the required form of a proposed rule change, and to inform the self-regulatory organization of such determination.

(13) Pursuant to section 15B(a) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78o–4(a)), to authorize the issuance of orders granting registration of municipal securities dealers within forty-five days of the filing of an application for registration as a municipal securities dealer (or within such longer period as to which the applicant consents).

(14) Pursuant to section 17A(c)(2) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78q–1(c)(2)), to authorize the issuance of orders accelerating registration of transfer agents for which the Commission is the appropriate regulatory agency before the expiration of thirty days following the dates on which applications for registration as a transfer agent are filed.

(15) Pursuant to Rule 10a–1(f) (§240.10a–1(f)) to grant requests for exemptions from Rule 10a–1;

(16) Pursuant to sections 17A(b)(1), 17A(b)(2) and 19(a) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78q–1(b)(1), 78q–1(b)(2) and 78s(a)), to publish notice of the filing of applications for registration and for exemption from registration as a clearing agency.

(17) Pursuant to Rule 17f–2 (§240.17f–2) of this chapter.

(i) To disapprove a “Notice Pursuant to Rule 17f–2” pursuant to Rule 17f–2(e) (§240.17f–2(e) of this chapter).

(ii) To grant exemptions upon specified terms, conditions, and periods, for classes of persons subject to Rule 17f–2 pursuant to Rule 17f–2(a)(2) (§240.17f–2(a)(2) of this chapter).

(iii) To approve amendments to plan of a registered national securities exchange or a national securities association submitted pursuant to Rule 17f–2(c) (§240.17f–2(c) of this chapter).

(18) Pursuant to Rule 17d–1 (§240.17d–1 of this chapter) to designate one self-regulatory organization responsible for the examination of brokers and dealers which are members of more than one such organization to insure compliance with applicable financial responsibility rules.

(19)(i) To grant and deny applications for confidential treatment filed pursuant to section 24(b) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78x(b)) and Rule 24b–2 thereunder (240.24b–2 of this chapter); (ii) To revoke a grant of confidential treatment for any such application.

(20) Pursuant to sections 8(c) and 15(c)(2) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78h(c) and 78o(2)) and paragraphs (g) of Rules 8c–1 and 15c2–1 thereunder, to make findings that the agreements, safeguards, and provisions of registered clearing agencies are adequate for the protection of investors.

(21) Under section 17A(c)(4)(B) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78q–1(c)(4)(B)), to set terms and conditions upon which transfer agents registered with the Commission may withdraw from registration as a transfer agent by filing a written notice of withdrawal.
(22) Under section 17A(c)(4)(B) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78q-1(c)(4)(B)), to authorize the issuance of orders canceling registrations of transfer agents registered with the Commission or denying applications for registration as a transfer agent with the Commission, if such transfer agents are no longer in existence or are not engaged in business as transfer agents.

(23) Pursuant to section 17(b) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78q(b)), prior to any examination of a registered clearing agency, registered transfer agent, or registered municipal securities dealer whose appropriate regulatory agency is not the Commission, to notify and consult with the appropriate regulatory agency for such clearing agency, transfer agent, or municipal securities dealer.

(24) Pursuant to section 17(c)(3) of the Act, 15 U.S.C. 78q(c)(3), in regard to clearing agencies, transfer agents and municipal securities dealers for which the Commission is not the appropriate regulatory agency, (i) to notify the appropriate regulatory agency of any examination conducted by the Commission of any such clearing agency, transfer agent, or municipal securities dealer; (ii) to request from the appropriate regulatory agency a copy of the report of any examination of any such clearing agency, transfer agent, or municipal securities dealer conducted by such appropriate regulatory agency and any data supplied to it in connection with such examination; and (iii) to furnish to the appropriate regulatory agency on request a copy of the report of any examination of any such clearing agency, transfer agent, or municipal securities dealer conducted by the Commission and any data supplied to it in connection with such examination.

(25) Pursuant to Rule 17f-1 (§240.17f-1 of this chapter), to designate persons not subject to §240.17f-1 as reporting institutions upon specified terms, conditions, and time periods.

(26) [Reserved]

(27) To approve amendments to the joint industry plan governing consolidated transaction reporting declared effective by the Commission pursuant to Rule 601 (17 CFR 242.601) or its predecessors, Rule 11a3-1 and Rule 17a-15, and to grant exemptions from Rule 601 pursuant to Rule 601(f) (17 CFR 242.601(f)) to exchanges trading listed securities that are designated as national market system securities until such times as a Joint Reporting Plan for such securities is filed and approved by the Commission.

(28) To grant exemptions from Rule 602 (17 CFR 242.602), pursuant to Rule 602(d) (17 CFR 242.602(d)).

(29) To issue supplemental orders modifying the terms upon which self-regulatory organizations are authorized to act jointly in planning, developing, operating or regulating facilities of a national market system in accordance with the terms of amendments to plans which plans have been previously approved by the Commission under section 11A(a)(3)(B) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

(30) Pursuant to section 17(a) of the Act, 15 U.S.C. 78q, to approve amendments to the plans which are consistent with the reporting structure of Rules 17a-5(4) and 17a-10(b) filed by self-regulatory organizations pursuant to Rules 17a-5(4) and 17a-10(b).

(31) Pursuant to section 19(b)(2)(A) of the Act, 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2)(A), to extend for a period not exceeding 90 days from the date of publication of notice of the filing of a proposed rule change pursuant to section 19(b)(1) of the Act, 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1), the period during which the Commission must by order approve or disapprove the proposed rule change or institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be disapproved and to determine whether such longer period is appropriate and publish the reasons for such determination.

(32) Under §240.10b–10(f) of this chapter, to grant exemptions from §240.10b–10 of this chapter.

(33) Pursuant to Rule 17a–6 (§240.17a–6 of this chapter) to approve record destruction plans and amendments thereto filed by a national securities exchange or a national securities association.

(34) Pursuant to Rule 17d–2 (§240.17d–2 of this chapter) to publish notice of plans and plan amendments filed pursuant to Rule 17d–2 and to approve such plans and plan amendments.

(35) [Reserved]
(36) To grant exemptions from Rule 603 (17 CFR 242.603), pursuant to Rule 603(d) (17 CFR 242.603(d)).

(37) Pursuant to Rule 600 (17 CFR 242.600), to publish notice of the filing of a designation plan with respect to national market system securities, or any proposed amendment thereto, and to approve such plan or amendment.

(38) To disclose:
(i) To the Comptroller of the Currency, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and the state banking authorities, information and documents deemed confidential regarding registered clearing agencies and registered transfer agents; and
(ii) To the Department of Treasury, information and documents deemed confidential regarding possible laundering of money through or by brokers or dealers, including compliance by brokers or dealers with the Currency and Foreign Transactions Reporting Act of 1970, as amended.

(39) Under §240.9b–1 of this chapter:
(i) To enable distribution of an options disclosure document or amendment to an options disclosure document to the public prior to the time required in the Rule or to lengthen the period before distribution can be made;
(ii) To require refiling of an amendment to an options disclosure document pursuant to the procedure set forth in §240.9b–1(b)(2)(i) of this chapter.

(40) Pursuant to section 15B(b)(2)(B) of the Act, 15 U.S.C. 78o–4(b), to review and, where appropriate, approve the selection by the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (“Board”) of public representatives to serve on the Board.

(41) Pursuant to Rule 6a–2(c) (§240.6a–2 of this chapter) to exempt registered national securities exchanges from the filing requirements imposed by Rule 6a–2 with respect to certain affiliates and subsidiaries of the exchange.

(42) Under 17 CFR 242.608(e), to grant or deny exemptions from 17 CFR 242.608, and pursuant to 17 CFR 242.608(b) to extend for a period not exceeding 180 days from the date of publication of notice of filing of a national market system plan or an amendment to an effective national market system plan the time for Commission consider-

(43) To grant or deny exemptions from Rule 17Ad–14 (§240.17Ad–14 of this chapter), pursuant to Rule 17Ad–14(d) (§240.17Ad–14(d) of this chapter). (Pub. L. 87–592, 76 Stat. 394, 15 U.S.C 78d–1, 78d–2).

(44) To review, publish notice of, and where appropriate, approve plans, and amendments to plans, submitted by self-regulatory organizations pursuant to Rule 19d–1(c) under the Act (§240.19d–1(c)).

(45) To grant exemptions from Rule 31–9 under the Act. (§240.31–9(c) of this chapter).


(47) Pursuant to section 15(a)(2) of the Act, 15 U.S.C. 78o(a)(2), to review and, either unconditionally or on specified terms and conditions, grant exemptions from the broker-dealer registration requirements of section 15(a)(1) of the Act, 15 U.S.C. 78o(a)(1), to government securities brokers or government securities dealers that have registered with the Commission under section 15(a)(2) of the Act, 15 U.S.C. 78o–5(a)(2), solely with respect to effecting any transactions in, or inducing or attempting to induces the purchase or sale of, any security principally backed by a guaranty of the United States.

(48) Pursuant to paragraph (d) of Rule 15c2–12 (17 CFR 15c2–12), to grant or deny exemptions, either unconditionally or on specified terms and conditions, from Rule 15c2–12.

(49) Pursuant to section 11A(b) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78k–1(b)) and Rule 609 thereunder (17 CFR 242.609), to publish notice of and, by order, grant under section 11A(b) of the Act and Rule 609 thereunder: Applications for registration as a securities information processor; and exemptions from that section and any rules or regulations promulgated thereunder, either conditionally or unconditionally. 
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(50) Pursuant to sections 17A(b) and 19(a) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78q–1(b) and 78s(a)): (i) To authorize the issuance of orders granting an extension to a temporary clearing agency registration, for up to two years or such longer period as the clearing agency consents. (ii) To authorize the issuance of orders granting the withdrawal of an application to become a registered clearing agency, at any time prior to final determination of such application by the Commission, upon submission of a request for such withdrawal by applicant. (51) Pursuant to paragraph (a)(4) of § 240.9b–1 of this chapter, to authorize the issuance of orders designating securities as “standardized options.” (52) Pursuant to Rules 17h–1T and 17h–2T of the Act (§§ 240.17h–1T and 240.17h–2T of this chapter): (i) To designate certain broker-dealers as Reporting Brokers or Dealers; or and (ii) To grant or deny an exemption, conditionally or unconditionally, to a broker or dealer pursuant to section 17(h) of the Act. (53) To administer the provisions of § 240.24c–1 of this chapter; provided that access to nonpublic information as defined in such section shall be provided only with the concurrence of the head of the Commission division or office responsible for such information or the files containing such information. (54) To administer the provisions of Section 24(d) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78x(d)). (55) Pursuant to § 240.15c6–1 of this chapter, taking into account then existing market practices, to exempt contracts for the purchase or sale of any securities from the requirements of § 240.15c6–1(a) of this chapter. (56) Pursuant to § 270.17Ad–16 of this chapter, to designate by order the appropriate qualified registered securities depository. (57) Pursuant to section 19(b)(2) of the Act, 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2), and section 19(b)(3) of the Act, 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3), to institute proceedings to determine whether a proposed rule change of a self-regulatory organization should be disapproved, and to provide to the self-regulatory organization notice of the grounds for disapproval under consideration. If the Commission has not taken action on a proposed rule change for which delegated authority has been withdrawn under paragraph (a)(12) of this section prior to the expiration of the applicable time period specified in section 19(b)(2) of the Act, 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2), then the Director shall institute pursuant to delegated authority proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be disapproved. In addition, pursuant to section 19(b)(3)(B) of the Act, 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(B), to extend for a period not exceeding 240 days from the date of publication of notice of the filing of a proposed rule change pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Act, 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1), the period during which the Commission must issue an order approving or disapproving the proposed rule change and to determine whether such longer period is appropriate and publish the reasons for such determination. (58) Pursuant to section 19(b)(3)(C) of the Act, 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(C), to temporarily suspend a change in the rules of a self-regulatory organization. (59) Pursuant to paragraph (f)(6)(i) of Rule 19b–4 (§ 240.19b–4 of this chapter), to reduce the period before which a proposed rule change can become operative, and to reduce the period between an SRO submission of a filing and a pre-filing notification. (60) To grant exemptions from Rule 17a–23 (§ 240.17a–23 of this chapter), pursuant to Rule 17a–23(i) (§ 240.17a–23(i) of this chapter). (61) To grant exemptions from Rule 604 (17 CFR 242.604), pursuant to Rule 604(c) (17 CFR 242.604(c)). (62) Pursuant to section 36 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78mm) to review and, either unconditionally or on specified terms and conditions, grant or deny exemptions from section 11(d)(1) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78k(d)(1)). (63) Pursuant to § 240.15a–1(b)(1) of this chapter, to issue orders identifying other permissible securities activities in which an OTC derivatives dealer may engage. (64) Pursuant to § 240.15a–1(b)(2) of this chapter, to issue orders determining that a class of fungible instruments that are standardized as to their
material economic terms is within the scope of eligible OTC derivative instrument.

(65) Pursuant to §240.17a–12 of this chapter:

(i) To authorize the issuance of orders requiring OTC derivatives dealers to file, pursuant to §240.17a–12(a)(1) of this chapter, monthly, or at such times as shall be specified, Part IIB of Form X–17A–5 (§249.617 of this chapter) and such other financial and operational information as shall be specified.

(ii) Pursuant to §240.17a–12(n) of this chapter, to consider applications by OTC derivatives dealers for exemptions from, and extensions of time within which to file, reports required by §240.17a–12 of this chapter, and to grant or deny such applications.

(66) To issue orders under Rules 15b3–1(c)(4), 15b6–1(e), 15Ba2–2(e)(4), 15Bc3–1(e), 15Ca2–1(c)(4), and 15Cc1–1(d) (17 CFR 240.15b3–1(c)(4), 240.15b6–1(e), 240.15Ba2–2(e)(4), 240.15Bc3–1(e), 240.15Ca2–1(c)(4), and 240.15Cc1–1(d)).

(67) Pursuant to Section 36(a) of the Act, 15 U.S.C. 78mm(a), to grant requests for exemptions from the tender offer provisions of Rule 14e–1 of Regulation 14E (§240.14e–1 of this chapter).

(68) Pursuant to Rule 605(b) (17 CFR 242.605(b)), to grant or deny exemptions, conditionally or unconditionally, from any provision or provisions of Rule 605 (17 CFR 242.605).

(69) Pursuant to Rule 606(c) (17 CFR 242.606(c)), to grant or deny exemptions, conditionally or unconditionally, from any provision or provisions of Rule 606 (17 CFR 242.606).

(70) Pursuant to Sections 15(a)(2) and 36 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78o(a)(2) and 78mm), to review and, either unconditionally or on specified terms and conditions, grant or deny exemptions to any bank, savings association, or savings bank from the broker-dealer registration requirements of Section 15(a)(1) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78o(a)(1)) or any applicable provision of this Act (15 U.S.C. 78c et seq.) and the rules and regulations thereunder based solely on such bank’s, savings association’s, or savings bank’s status as a broker or dealer.

(71) Pursuant to section 6(a) of the Act, 15 U.S.C. 78f(a), and Rule 6a–1 thereunder, 17 CFR 240.6a–1:

(i) To publish a notice of filing of an application for registration as a national securities exchange, or for exemption from registration based on limited volume;

(ii) To publish amendments to an application for registration as a national securities exchange, or for exemption from registration based on limited volume; and

(iii) To extend deadlines for submission of comments to an application for registration as a national securities exchange, or for exemption from registration based on limited volume; and amendments to an application for registration as a national securities exchange, or for exemption from registration based on limited volume.

(72) Pursuant to section 36 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78mm) to review and, either unconditionally or on specified terms and conditions, grant, or deny exemptions from rule 17a–25 of the Act (§240.17a–25 of this chapter).
trading rules (e.g., the self-regulatory organization has requested to incorporate rules such as margin, suitability, arbitration);

(ii) A self-regulatory organization electing to incorporate rules of another self-regulatory organization has requested to incorporate by reference categories of rules (rather than to incorporate individual rules within a category); and

(iii) The incorporating self-regulatory organization has reasonable procedures in place to provide written notice to its members each time a change is proposed to the incorporated rules of another self-regulatory organization.

(77) To review amendments to a supervised investment bank holding company’s Notice of Intention, and to approve such amendments pursuant to paragraph (d)(2)(ii) of Rule 17i–2 (17 CFR 240.17i–2(d)(2)(ii)) after reviewing the amended notice of intention to determine whether the amendment is necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of section 17 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78q).

(78) To consider requests by supervised investment bank holding companies for exemptions from the requirement, and extensions of time within which, to file reports and notices required by Rule 17i–6 (17 CFR 240.17i–6), and to grant or deny such requests pursuant to paragraph (f) of that Rule (17 CFR 240.17i–6(f)).

(79) To consider requests by supervised investment bank holding companies for exemptions from the requirement, and extensions of time within which, to file notices required by Rule 17i–8 (17 CFR 240.17i–8), and to grant or deny such requests pursuant to paragraph (d) of that Rule (17 CFR 240.17i–8(d)).

(80) To calculate the amount of fees and assessments due from covered SROs based on the trade data that the covered SROs submit on Form R31 (17 CFR 240.13) and to issue Section 31 bills to covered SROs, in consultation with the Chief Operating Officer and the Chief Economist, pursuant to Rules 31 and 31T of this chapter (17 CFR 240.31 and 240.31T).

(81) To grant or deny exemptions from Rule 610 (17 CFR 242.610), pursuant to Rule 610(e) (17 CFR 242.610(e)).

(82) To grant or deny exemptions from Rule 611 (17 CFR 242.611), pursuant to Rule 611(d) (17 CFR 242.611(d)).

(83) To grant or deny exemptions from Rule 612 (17 CFR 242.612), pursuant to Rule 612(c) (17 CFR 242.612(c)).

(b) To designate officers empowered to administer oaths and affirmations, subpoena witnesses, compel their attendance, take evidence, and require the production of any books, papers, correspondence, memoranda, contracts, agreements, or other records in the course of investigations instituted by the Commission pursuant to section 21(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78u(b)).

(c) In nonpublic investigatory proceedings within the responsibility of the Director or Deputy Director, to grant requests of persons to procure copies of the transcript of their testimony given pursuant to Rule 6 of the Commission’s rules relating to investigations as in effect subsequent to November 16, 1972 (17 CFR 203.6).

(d) To notify the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (“SIPC”) of facts concerning the activities and the operational and financial condition of any registered broker or dealer which is or appears to be a member of SIPC and which is in or approaching financial difficulty within the meaning of section 5 of the Securities Investor Protection Act of 1970, as amended, 15 U.S.C. 78aaa et seq.

(e) To determine whether, and issue orders regarding, proposals for designation of a contract market for futures trading on an index or group of securities meet the eligibility criteria set forth under section 2(a)(1)(B)(ii) of the Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C. 2(a).


(1) Pursuant to Section 3(a)(2)(B) of SIPA, to:

(i) Extend for a period not exceeding 90 days from the date of the filing of the determination by the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (“SIPC”) that a registered broker-dealer is not a SIPC member because it conducts its principal business outside the United States and its territories.
and possessions, the period during which the Commission must affirm, reverse or amend any determination by SIPC; and

(ii) Affirm such determination filed by SIPC.

(2) Pursuant to Section (3)(e)(1) of SIPA, to:

(i) Determine whether proposed bylaw changes filed by SIPC should not be disapproved or whether the proposed bylaw change is a matter of such significant public interest that public comment should be obtained, in which case the Division will notify SIPC of such finding and publish notice of the proposed bylaw change in accordance with Section 3(e)(2) of SIPA, and

(ii) Accelerate the effective date of proposed bylaw changes filed by SIPC.

(3) Pursuant to Section (3)(e)(2) of SIPA, to publish notice of proposed rule changes filed by SIPC.

(g) To consult on behalf of the Commission pursuant to section 18(t)(1) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1828(t)(1)) with respect to matters described in §200.19a.

(h) To consult on behalf of the Commission pursuant to sections 5318A(a)(4), 5318A(e)(2) and 5318(b)(2) of the Bank Secrecy Act (31 U.S.C. 5318A(a)(4), 5318A(e)(2) and 5318(b)(2)) with respect to matters described in §200.19a.


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