

participation agreement with the applicable Fund. A Plan will execute an application containing an acknowledgment of this condition upon such Plan's initial purchase of the shares of any Fund.

For the Commission, by the Division of Investment Management, pursuant to delegated authority.

Margaret H. McFarland,

Deputy Secretary.

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[Investment Company Act Release No. 20853; 811-8474]

**Third Avenue Value Fund II, Inc.;
Notice of Application**

January 24, 1995.

AGENCY: Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC").

ACTION: Notice of Application for Deregistration under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "Act").

APPLICANT: Third Avenue Value Fund II, Inc.

RELEVANT ACT SECTION: Section 8(f).

SUMMARY OF APPLICATION: Applicant seeks an order declaring it has ceased to be an investment company.

FILING DATE: The application was filed on January 6, 1995.

HEARING OR NOTIFICATION OF HEARING: An order granting the application will be issued unless the SEC orders a hearing. Interested persons may request a hearing by writing to the SEC's Secretary and serving applicant with a copy of the request, personally or by mail. Hearing requests should be received by the SEC by 5:30 p.m. on February 21, 1995, and should be accompanied by proof of service on the applicant, in the form of an affidavit or, for lawyers, a certificate of service. Hearing requests should state the nature of the writer's interest, the reason for the request, and the issues contested. Persons may request notification of a hearing by writing to the SEC's Secretary.

ADDRESSES: Secretary, SEC, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549. Applicant, 767 Third Avenue, New York, New York 10017-2023.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Diane L. Titus, Paralegal Specialist, at (202) 942-0584, or Barry D. Miller, Senior Special Counsel, at (202) 942-0564 (Division of Investment Management, Office of Investment Company Regulation).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following is a summary of the

application. The complete application may be obtained for a fee from the SEC's Public Reference Branch.

Applicant's Representations

1. Applicant is an open-end, non-diversified investment company, organized as a corporation under the laws of Maryland. On April 12, 1994, Applicant registered under the Act and filed a registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933. Applicant's registration statement became effective on May 2, 1994.

2. On May 9, 1994, Applicant decided not to proceed with the offering of its Common Stock. There has been no initial public offering of Applicant's Common Stock.

3. Applicant has no shareholders, liabilities or assets. Applicant is not a party to any litigation or administrative proceeding.

4. Applicant is not now engaged, nor does it propose to engage in any business activities other than those necessary to wind up its affairs. After the Commission issues an order declaring that Applicant has ceased to be an investment company, Applicant intends to file articles of dissolution with the Maryland Department of Assessments and Taxation in Baltimore, Maryland.

For the SEC, by the Division of Investment Management, under delegated authority.

Margaret H. McFarland,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 2152]

State Department Overseas Security Advisory Council; Closed Meeting

The Department of State announces a meeting of the U.S. State Department—Overseas Security Advisory Council on Tuesday and Wednesday, February 14-15, 1995, at the Westin Hotel in Dallas, Texas. Pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act and 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) (1) and (4), it has been determined the meeting will be closed to the public. Matters relative to classified national security information as well as privileged commercial information will be discussed. The agenda calls for the discussion of classified and corporate proprietary/security information as well as private sector physical and procedural security policies and protective programs at sensitive U.S. Government and private sector locations overseas.

For more information contact Patricia Richards, Overseas Security Advisory Council, Department of State, Washington, D.C. 20522-1003, phone: 202-663-0533.

Dated: January 19, 1995.

Mark Mulvey,

Director of the Diplomatic Security Service.

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[Public Notice 2153]

**Shipping Coordinating Committee;
Subcommittee on Safety of Life at Sea
Working Group on Fire Protection;
Meeting**

The U.S. Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) Working Group on Fire Protection will conduct an open meeting on March 22, 1995, at 9:30 a.m. in Room 2415 at U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593. The purpose of the meeting will be to prepare for discussion anticipated to take place at the Fortieth Session of the International Maritime Organization's Subcommittee on Fire Protection, scheduled for July 17, 1995.

The meeting will focus on proposed amendments to SOLAS for the fire safety of commercial vessels. Specific discussion areas include: Smoke and toxicity, closing mechanisms of fire doors, heat radiation through windows and glass partitions, sprinkler systems and fixed water spraying systems, emergency escape breathing devices, high speed craft, criteria for maximum fire loads, fire safety measures for deep fat cooking equipment, foam concentrates, phasing out of halons, interpretations to SOLAS 74, role of the human element in maritime casualties, safety of passenger submersible craft, smoke control and ventilation, fire safety aspects of composite materials used on board ships, and matters relating to tanker safety.

Additionally, the need for research and development in the area of fire protection will be discussed in an effort to promote new technology that will positively impact both safety and market competitiveness. Comments will be directly solicited on what research areas are viewed by industry as most critical to their safety and business goals and how best to accomplish the necessary work. A partnership initiative between the Coast Guard, industry, and other third party organizations will be proposed.

Interested members of the public are encouraged to attend. For further information regarding the meeting of the SOLAS Working Group on Fire