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POSTAL SERVICE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Sunshine Act Meeting; Notification of Item Added to Meeting Agenda

DATE OF MEETING: October 6, 1997.

STATUS: Closed.

PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENT: 62 FR 51169, September 30, 1997.

CHANGE: At its meeting on October 6, 1997, the Board of Governors of the United States Postal Service voted unanimously to add an item to the agenda of its closed meeting held on that date: Compensation Issues.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Thomas J. Koerber, Secretary of the Board, U.S. Postal Service, 475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW., Washington, DC 20260-1000. Telephone (202) 268-4800.

Thomas J. Koerber,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

Upon written request, copies available from: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Filings and Information Services, Washington, DC 20549.

Extention: Rule 17a-23 and Form 17A-23; SEC File No. 270-387; OMB Control No. 3235-0442.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") is soliciting comments on the collection of information summarized below. The Commission plans to submit this existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for extension and approval.

• Rule 17a-23 and Form 17A-23 Recordkeeping and Reporting Requirements Relating to Broker-Dealer Trading Systems

Rule 17a-23 and Form 17A-23, under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

establish recordkeeping and reporting requirements for approximately 143 registered broker-dealers that operate certain automated trading systems ("Broker-Dealer Trading System" or "BDTS"). Rule 17a-23 requires any registered broker-dealer that sponsors a BDTS to maintain participant, volume, and transaction records. Rule 17a-23 and Form 17A-23 also require system sponsors to submit three reports to the Commission and, under certain circumstances, to an appropriate self-regulatory organization. These recordkeeping requirements assist the Commission with monitoring broker-dealers that operate BDTSs and with ensuring compliance with Rule 17a-23.

The Commission staff estimates the average number of hours necessary for each BDTS sponsor to comply with Rule 17a-23 is 46 hours annually. The total burden is 6,542 hours annually for the broker-dealers operating BDTSs, based upon past submissions. The average cost per hour is approximately \$7.00. Therefore, the total annual cost of compliance for the 143 broker-dealers operating BDTSs is \$46,046.00.

Written comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimates of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection on respondents, including through the use automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted in writing within 60 days of this publication.

Please direct your written comments to Michael E. Bartell, Associate Executive Director, Office of Information Technology, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20549.

Dated: October 14, 1997.

Margaret H. McFarland,

Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Investment Company Act Release No. 22856; 812-10632]

Smith Barney Muni Funds, et al.; Notice of Application

October 14, 1997.

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

ACTION: Notice of application under section 17(b) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "Act") for an exemption from section 17(a) of the Act.

SUMMARY OF APPLICATION: Order requested to allow a series of a registered investment company to acquire substantially all of the assets and certain liabilities of another of its series. Because of certain affiliations, applicants may not rely on rule 17a-8 under the Act.

APPLICANTS: Smith Barney Muni Funds (the "Trust"), Smith Barney Mutual Funds Management Inc. ("SBMFM"), and Smith Barney Inc. ("Smith Barney")

FILING DATES: The application was filed on April 22, 1997, and amended on August 20, 1997.

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 applicants with a copy of the request, personally or by mail. Hearing requests should be received by the SEC by 5:30 p.m. on November 10, 1997, and should be accompanied by proof of service on applicants, 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 who wish to be notified of a hearing may request notification by writing to the SEC's Secretary.

ADDRESSES: Secretary, SEC, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549. Applicants, 388 Greenwich Street, 22nd Floor, New York, New York 10013. Attention: Christina T. Sydor, Esq.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kathleen L. Knisley, Staff Attorney, at (202) 942-0517, or Christine Y. Greenlees, Branch Chief, 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 at the SEC's Public Reference Branch, 450 Fifth