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DATES: The comment period ends June 19, 2000. Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the staff is able to assure consideration only for comments received on or before this date.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be submitted to the Rules and Directives Branch, Division of Administrative Services, Office of Administration, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001. You may also provide comments via the NRC's Operator Licensing web site (<http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/REACTOR/OL/OLguidance.html>). Copies of comments received may be examined on the NRC Public Electronic Reading Room (<http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/ADAMS/index.html>) and at the NRC Public Document Room, 2120 L Street NW, Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. S. Guenther by telephone at (301) 415-1056, or by e-mail sxg@nrc.gov.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 14th day of March 2000.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Harold O. Christensen

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NUCLEAR WASTE TECHNICAL REVIEW BOARD

Board Meeting; May 1, 2000—Pahrump, Nevada; Discussion of the Current Design for a Potential Repository at Yucca Mountain, Nevada; Update on Geochemistry and other Scientific Studies Undertaken at the Yucca Mountain Site.

Pursuant to its authority under section 5051 of Public Law 100-203, Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 1987, the Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board (Board) will meet in Pahrump, Nevada, on Monday, May 1, 2000, to review the status of the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) efforts to develop a design for a potential repository for disposing of spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste at Yucca Mountain, Nevada. The DOE also will present updates on geochemistry and on other scientific studies, including chlorine-36 investigations. In addition, the Board will hear from representatives of Nye County, Nevada, on recent scientific activities. The DOE

is evaluating the Yucca Mountain site, about 100 miles northwest of Las Vegas, to determine its suitability as the location of a repository for the permanent disposal of spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste.

The meeting will be held at the Bob Ruud Community Center, 150 North Highway 160, Pahrump, Nevada 89048. The pay-phone number for the community center is (775) 727-9991. The meeting will begin at 8:30 am.

An overview of recent developments in the repository program will begin the meeting. The general overview will be followed by more-extensive presentations on the subsurface and engineered barrier system designs currently being considered by the DOE for a potential Yucca Mountain repository. Later in the day, the DOE will update the Board on the status of geochemical studies being conducted in connection with the characterization or the Yucca Mountain site.

Representatives of Nye County, Nevada, also have been invited to comment and update the Board on their recent scientific activities, including the drilling program being conducted at the site under the auspices of the county.

The meeting will be open to the public. Time for public comment will be set aside before the lunch break and at the end of the session. Those wanting to speak are encouraged to sign the "Public Comment Register" at the check-in table. Depending on the number of requests, a time limit may be set on oral statements; written comments may be submitted for inclusion in the record of the meeting. Interested parties also may submit written questions to the Board. As time permits, written questions will be answered during the sessions. Interested members of the public also are invited to join the Board for coffee from 7:30 to 8:15 am before the meeting begins.

A detailed agenda will be available approximately one week before the meeting. Copies of the agenda can be requested by telephone or obtained from the Board's Web site at www.nwtrb.gov. Transcripts of the meeting will be available on the Board's Web site, via e-mail, on computer disk, and on a library-loan basis in paper format from Davonya Barnes of the Board staff, beginning on May 29, 2000.

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Saddle West Hotel/Casino, 1220 South Highway 160, Pahrump, Nevada 89048. The telephone numbers for Saddle West are (800) 433-3987 and (775) 727-1111. When making a reservation, please state that you are attending the Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board meeting.

For further information on the meeting, contact Karyn Severson, External Affairs, NWTRB, at 2300 Clarendon Boulevard, Suite 1300, Arlington, Virginia 22201-3367; (tel) 703-235-4473; (fax) 703-235-4495; (e-mail) info@nwtrb.gov.

The Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board was created by Congress in the Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 1987. The Board's purpose is to evaluate the technical and scientific validity of activities undertaken by the Secretary of Energy related to managing the disposal of the nation's spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste. In the same legislation, Congress directed the DOE to characterize a site at Yucca Mountain, Nevada, to determine its suitability as the location of a potential repository for the permanent disposal of spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste.

March 14, 2000.

William D. Barnard,

Executive Director, Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board.

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POSTAL SERVICE

Sunshine Act Meeting

TIMES AND DATES: 8:30 a.m., Monday, April 3, 2000; 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, April 4, 2000; 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 4, 2000.

PLACE: Washington, D.C., at U.S. Postal Service Headquarters, 475 L'Enfant Plaza, S.W., in the Benjamin Franklin Room.

STATUS: April 3 (Closed); April 4—8:30 a.m. (Open); 10:00 a.m. (Closed).

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Monday, April 3—8:30 a.m. (Closed)

1. Strategic Planning.
2. ePayments.
3. Financial Performance.
4. Revision of Designation of Functions for the Office of Inspector General.

Tuesday, April 4—8:30 a.m. (Open)

1. Minutes of the Previous Meeting, March 6-7, 2000.
2. Remarks of the Postmaster General/Chief Executive Officer.
3. Quarterly Report on Service Performance.
4. Quarterly Report on Financial Results.
5. REDRESS (Resolve Employment Disputes Reach Equitable Solutions Swiftly) Program Update.
6. Capital Investments.
 - a. Los Angeles, California, Bulk Mail Center Expansion.
 - b. Point of Service (POS) One—Stage 2B Deployment.
7. Tentative Agenda for the May 1-2, 2000,

meeting in Washington, D.C.
Tuesday, April 4—10:00 a.m. (Closed)

1. Continuation of Monday's Closed Agenda.

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

Thomas J. Koerber,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Filings and Information Services, Washington, DC 20549.

Extension:

Form N-4, SEC File No. 270-282, OMB Control No. 3235-0318

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget a request for extension of the previously approved collection of information discussed below.

Description of Form N-4, Its Purpose and the Industry Entities Affected

There are two separate statutes which require investment companies to file registration statements with the Commission if they are offering their securities to the public. Each must register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940 ("1940 Act"), and must register the securities it will offer under the Securities Act of 1933 ("1933 Act"). Form N-4 is part of the integrated registration and reporting system by which registrants satisfy the registration requirements of both the 1940 Act and the 1933 Act by filing a single registration statement. Form N-4 is the required form that insurance company separate accounts organized as unit investment trust ("IC UIT separate accounts") must if they offer variable annuity contracts.

The Form N-4's purpose is to provide investors with material information concerning securities offered for public sale. The first part includes a simplified prospectus that satisfies the prospectus delivery requirements of the 1933 Act.

The second part is a Statement of Additional Information available free of charge to prospective investors upon request. A third part of the registration statement includes all of the other mandatory information that is not specifically required to be in the prospectus or the Statement of Additional Information.

As a regulatory matter, the Form N-4 satisfies the disclosure requirements of the 1933 Act. Form N-4 also satisfies the 1940 requirement that investment companies file a registration statement with the Commission pursuant to Section 8(b).

It is estimated that, currently, there are 615 IC UIT separate accounts required to file initial and post effective registration statements on an annual and as required basis using Form N-4. The burden from Form N-4 requires approximately 219.8 hours per post effective amendment and 298 hours for each initial registration. The total burden hours for Form N-4 is estimated at 284,379.20 in the aggregate. The estimates of average burden hours are made solely for the purposes of the Paperwork Reduction Act and are not derived from a comprehensive or even representative survey or study of the costs of Commission rules and forms.

The collection of information based on registration using the Form N-4 is mandatory. The information provided by Form N-4 is not keep confidential. The Commission 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.

General comments regarding the above information should be directed to the following persons: (i) Desk Officer for the Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Room 3208, New Executive Office Building Washington, DC 20503; and (ii) Michael E. Bartell, Associate Executive Director, Office of Information Technology, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20549. Comments must be submitted to OMB within 30 days of this notice.

Dated: March 13, 2000.

Margaret H. McFarland,
Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Filings and Information Services, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549.

Extension:

Form N-54A, SEC File No. 270-182, OMB Control No. 3235-0237

Form N-54C, SEC File No. 270-184, OMB Control No. 3235-0236

Form N-6F, SEC File No. 270-185, OMB Control No. 3235-0238

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Form N-54A Under the Investment Company Act of 1940; Notification of Election to be Subject to Sections 55 Through 65 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 Filed Pursuant to Section 54(a) of the Act

Form N-54A [17 CFR § 274.53] is the notification of election to the Commission to be regulated as a business development company. A company making such an election only has to file a Form N-54A once.

It is estimated that approximately 3 respondents per year file with the Commission a Form N-54A. Form N-54A requires approximately 0.5 burden hours per response resulting from creating and filing the information required by the form. The total burden hours for Form N-54A would be 1.5 hours per year in the aggregate. The estimated annual burden of 1.5 hours represents a decrease of 0.5 hours over the prior estimate of 2 hours. The decrease in burden hours is attributable to a decrease in the number of respondents from 4 to 3.

Form N-54C Under the Investment Company Act of 1940, Notification of Withdrawal of Election to be Subject to Sections 55 through 65 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 Filed Pursuant to Section 54(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Form N-54C [17 CFR § 274.54] is a notification to the Commission that a company withdraws its election to be regulated as a business development company. Such a company only has to file a Form N-54C once.