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For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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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:

Notification Under Regulation E; Form 1-E; Rule 604 and Rule 605; SEC File No. 270-221; OMB Control No. 3235-0232

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

Rule 604—Filing of Notification on Form 1-E

Rule 604 of Regulation E [17 CFR 230.604] under the Securities Act of 1933 [15 U.S.C. 77a *et seq.*] ("Securities Act") requires a small business investment company ("SBIC") or a business development company ("BDC") claiming an exemption from registering its securities under the Securities Act to file a notification with the Commission on Form 1-E.

Rule 605—Filing and Use of the Offering Circular

Rule 605 of Regulation E [17 CFR 230.605] under the Act requires an SBIC or BDC claiming an exemption from registering its securities under the Securities Act to file an offering circular with the Commission that must also be provided to persons to whom an offer is made.

Form 1-E—Notification Under Regulation E

Form 1-E is the form that an SBIC or BDC uses to notify the Commission that it is claiming an exemption under Regulation E from registering its securities under the Securities Act. Form 1-E requires an issuer to provide

the names and addresses of the issuer, its affiliates, directors, officers, and counsel; a description of events which would make the exemption unavailable; the jurisdiction in which the issuer intends to offer its securities; information about unregistered securities issued or sold by the issuer within one year before filing the notification on Form 1-E; information as to whether the issuer is presently offering or contemplating offering any other securities; and exhibits, including copies of the offering circular and any underwriting contracts.

The Commission uses the information provided in the notification on Form 1-E and the offering circular to determine whether an offering qualifies for the exemption under Regulation E. It is estimated that approximately three issuers file with the Commission approximately two notifications on Form 1-E annually, including offering circulars. The Commission estimates that the total burden hours for preparing these notifications would be 600 hours in the aggregate. Estimates of the burden hours are made solely for the purposes of the PRA, and are not derived from a comprehensive or even a representative survey or study of the costs of Commission rules and forms.

SBICs or BDCs wishing to claim an exemption under Regulation E from registering securities under the Securities Act are required to file a notification on Form 1-E and offering circular. The information provided on Form 1-E and in the offering circular will not be kept 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, D.C. 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: April 24, 2001.

Margaret H. McFarland,

Deputy Secretary.

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Extension

Form U-6B-2; SEC File No. 270-169; OMB Control No. 3235-0163.

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") has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget a request for extension of the previously approved collection of information discussed below.

The Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 [15 U.S.C. Section 79A *et seq.*] requires the filing of an application and/or declaration on Form U-1 for prior Commission approval both for the issue and sale of a security and its acquisition by a company in a registered holding company system.¹ Section 6(b) provides that the Commission shall exempt from the requirement of filing a declaration on Form U-1, by rules and regulations or orders and subject to such terms and conditions, as it deems appropriate in the public interest or for the protection of investors or consumers, certain security issuances and sales.

Section 6(b) also contains a reporting requirement. It directs the issuer of securities exempted under section 6(b) to file with the commission within ten days of the issue or sale of a certificate notification and directs the Commission to prescribe the form of and information required in this certificate. Rule 20(d) prescribes Form U-6B-2 as the form of certificate of notification to be filed pursuant to section 6(b). Form U-6B-2 is also prescribed by Rule 52(c) (17 CFR 250.52(c)) and Rule 47(b) (17 CFR 250.47(b)) as the form of certificate of notification to be filed by a public utility subsidiary company of a registered holding company to notify the Commission of exempt issuances and sales of securities under Rule 52 Exemption of Issue and Sale of Certain Securities approved by state commissions and Rule 47 Exemption of Public Utility Subsidiaries as to Certain Securities Issued to the Rural

¹ See section 6(a) (requiring prior Commission approval under the standards of section 7 for the issue and sale of securities) and section 9(a)(1) (requiring prior Commission approval under the standards of section 10 for the acquisition of securities).