

allocated pro rata between the securities to be transferred to the In-house Plan and the securities which are to remain in the Portfolio.

Accordingly, after giving full consideration to the entire record, including the written comments noted above, the Department has decided to grant the exemption.

For further information regarding the comments and other matters discussed herein, interested persons are encouraged to obtain copies of the exemption application file (Exemption Application No. D-10848) the Department is maintaining in this case. The complete application file, as well as all supplemental submissions received by the Department, are made available for public inspection in the Public Disclosure Room of the Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, Room N-1513, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christopher Motta of the Department, telephone (202) 693-8544 (This is not a toll-free number).

General Information

The attention of interested persons is directed to the following:

(1) The fact that a transaction is the subject of an exemption under section 408(a) of the Act and/or section 4975(c)(2) of the Code does not relieve a fiduciary or other party in interest or disqualified person from certain other provisions to which the exemption does

not apply and the general fiduciary responsibility provisions of section 404 of the Act, which among other things require a fiduciary to discharge his duties respecting the plan solely in the interest of the participants and beneficiaries of the plan and in a prudent fashion in accordance with section 404(a)(1)(B) of the Act; nor does it affect the requirement of section 401(a) of the Code that the plan must operate for the exclusive benefit of the employees of the employer maintaining the plan and their beneficiaries;

(2) This exemption is supplemental to and not in derogation of, any other provisions of the Act and/or the Code, including statutory or administrative exemptions and transactional rules. Furthermore, the fact that a transaction is subject to an administrative or statutory exemption is not dispositive of whether the transaction is in fact a prohibited transaction; and

(3) The availability of this exemption is subject to the express condition that the material facts and representations contained in the application accurately describes all material terms of the transaction which is the subject of the exemption.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 6th day of December, 2001.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration

Notice of Extension of the Comment Periods for Proposed Exemptions Affected by the Temporary Closure of the Mailroom at the Department of Labor

AGENCY: Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, U.S. Department of Labor (the Department).

ACTION: Notice of Extension of Comment Periods.

SUMMARY: As a result of the recent anthrax scare, the Department's mailroom was closed between October 22, 2001 and November 26, 2001 in order that protective measures could be taken to ensure the appropriate handling of the mail as well as the general safety of the Department's employees. However, during this time frame, the following proposed individual and class exemptions were published in the **Federal Register** and requested comments from interested persons:

Case No.	FR Citation	Date	Plan/Entity Name
D-10762	66 FR 46830	9/7/01	Key Trust Company of Ohio.
D-10894	66 FR 46837	9/7/01	Brookshire Brothers, Ltd.
D-10913, D-10914	66 FR 46839	9/7/01	The Golden Comprehensive Security Program and The Golden Retirement Savings Program.
D-10954	66 FR 49400	9/27/01	Metropolitan Life Insurance Company.
L-10937	66 FR 49415	9/27/01	Ford Motor Company.
D-10997	66 FR 46843	9/7/01	Exemption to Modify Prohibited Transaction Exemption 97-08 Involving Morgan Stanley Dean Witter & Co. Incorporated.
D-11034	66 FR 49703	9/28/01	Proposed Amendment to Prohibited Transaction Exemption 80-26 for Certain Interest Free Loans to Employee Benefit Plans.

Because no written comments were received from interested persons while the mailroom was closed and the comment periods have since expired for these pendency notices, the Department is hereby extending the comment periods for the above referenced proposed exemptions until December 26, 2001. Therefore, all written comments and/or hearing requests should be sent by regular mail to the address specified in the proposals. Alternatively, interested persons may submit their comments and/or hearing

requests by electronic mail to moffittb@pwba.dol.gov or by facsimile, (202) 219-0204.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Anna Mpras, U.S. Department of Labor, telephone (202) 693-8565. (This is not a toll-free number.)

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Submission for OMB review; comment request.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NMSF) has submitted the following information collection requirement to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork