

**SUMMARY:** Under the provision of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), agencies are required to publish a Notice in the **Federal Register** notifying the public, that the Agency is preparing an information collection request for OMB review, approval, and request public review and comment on the submission. Comments are being solicited on the need for the information, the accuracy of the Agency's burden estimate; the quality, practical utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the reporting burden, including automated collection techniques by use of other forms of technology. The proposed form under review is summarized below.

**DATES:** Comments must be received within 60 calendar days of publication of this Notice.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the subject form and the request for review prepared for submission to OMB may be obtained from the Agency submitting officer. Comments on the form should be submitted to the Agency Submitting Officer.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** OPIC Agency Submitting Officer: Essie S. Bryant, Records Management Officer, Overseas Private Investment Corporation, 1100 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20527; 202-336-8563.

*OMB Reviewer:* David Rostker, Office of Information and Regulator Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Docket Library, Room 10102, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503; (202) 395-3897.

#### Summary Form Under Review

*Type of Request:* Renewal/Revision.  
*Title:* Expedited Screening Questionnaire On-Lending Transactions.

*Form Number:* OPIC-168.

*Frequency of Use:* Once per investor per project.

*Type of Respondents:* Business or other institution (except farms); individuals.

*Description of Affected Public:* U.S. companies or citizens investing overseas.

*Reporting Hours:* 4.0 hours per project.

*Number of Responses:* 300 per year.

*Federal Cost:* \$17,000 per year.

*Authority for Information Collection:* Sections 231, 234(a), 239(d), and 240A of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended.

*Abstract (Needs and Uses):* The application is the principal document

used by OPIC to determine the investor's and the project's eligibility for debt financing, assess the environmental impact and developmental effects of the project, measure the economic effects for the U.S. and the host country's economy, and collect information for underwriting analysis.

Dated: January 24, 2006.

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#### POSTAL SERVICE

##### Sunshine Act Meeting; Board of Governors

**TIMES AND DATES:** 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, February 7, 2006; 8:30 a.m. and 10 a.m., Wednesday, February 8, 2006.

**PLACE:** Washington, DC, at U.S. Postal Service Headquarters, 475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW., in the Benjamin Franklin Room.

**STATUS:** February 7—10:30 a.m. (Closed); February 8—8:30 a.m. (Open); February 8—10 a.m. (Closed).

##### MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

###### Tuesday, February 7 at 10:30 a.m. (Closed)

1. Strategic Planning.
2. Financial Update.
3. Rate Case Planning.
4. Labor Negotiations Planning.
5. Negotiated Service Agreement.
6. Capital Investment—Remote Encoding System.
7. Personnel Matters and Compensation Issues.

###### Wednesday, February 8 at 8:30 a.m. (Open)

1. Minutes of the Previous Meeting, January 10, 2006.
2. Remarks of the Postmaster General and CEO Jack Potter.
3. Appointment of Members to Board Committees and Committee Reports.
4. Capital Investment—Flats Sequencing System and Delivery Point Packager Research & Development Modification.
5. Quarterly Report on Financial Performance.
6. Tentative Agenda for the March 28, 2006, meeting in Washington, DC.

###### Wednesday, February 8 at 10 a.m. (Closed) (If Needed)

1. Continuation of Tuesday's closed session agenda.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** William T. Johnstone, Secretary of the

Board, U.S. Postal Service, 475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW., Washington, DC 20260-1000. Telephone (202) 268-4800.

**William T. Johnstone,**

*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: Rule 0-1; SEC File No. 270-472; OMB Control No. 3235-0531.

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 requests for extension of the previous approved collections of information discussed below.

The Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "Act")<sup>1</sup> establishes a comprehensive framework for regulating the organization and operation of investment companies ("funds"). A principal objective of the Act is to protect fund investors by addressing the conflicts of interest that exist between funds and their investment advisers and other affiliated persons. The Act places significant responsibility on the fund board of directors in overseeing the operations of the fund and policing the relevant conflicts of interest.<sup>2</sup>

In one of its first releases, the Commission exercised its rulemaking authority pursuant to sections 38(a) and 40(b) of the Act by adopting rule 0-1 [17 CFR 270.0-1].<sup>3</sup> Rule 0-1, as subsequently amended on numerous occasions, provides definitions for the terms used by the Commission in the rules and regulations it has adopted pursuant to the Act. The rule also contains a number of rules of construction for terms that are defined either in the Act itself or elsewhere in the Commission's rules and regulations. Finally, rule 0-1 defines terms that serve as conditions to the availability of

<sup>1</sup> 15 U.S.C. 80a-1.

<sup>2</sup> For example, fund directors must approve investment advisory and distribution contracts. See 15 U.S.C. 80a-15(a), (b), and (c).

<sup>3</sup> Investment Company Act Release No. 4 (Oct. 29, 1940) [5 FR 4316 (Oct. 31, 1940)]. Note that rule 0-1 was originally adopted as rule N-1.