

securities brokers or government securities dealers registered or noticed under Section 15C(a)(1) of the Exchange Act, and any ECPs³⁵ other than: (a) ECPs that are registered or noticed government securities brokers or government securities dealers; (b) ECPs that receive or hold funds or securities for the purpose of purchasing, selling, clearing, settling, or holding CDS positions for other persons; and (c) ECPs that are ECPs under Section 1a(12)(C) of the CEA. This temporary exemption applies to these entities' transactions in Cleared CDS.³⁶

(b) Temporary Exemption for Registered or Noticed Government Securities Brokers and Government Securities Dealers that are not Financial Institutions

Registered or noticed government securities brokers and government securities dealers that are not financial institutions are exempt from the regulations in 17 CFR parts 402, 403, 404, and 405. However, this Order does not exempt registered or noticed government securities brokers or government securities dealers that are not financial institutions from the following:

(1) The capital requirements for registered government securities brokers and government securities dealers in part 402 of the GSA regulations (which are comparable to SEC Rule 15c3-1 on net capital);

(2) the provisions of part 403 of the GSA regulations that incorporate and modify SEC Rule 15c3-3 on reserves and custody of securities;

(3) the provisions of parts 404 and 405 of the GSA regulations that incorporate and modify SEC Rules 17a-3 through 17a-5, 17h-1T and 17h-2T, on records and reports; and

(4) the provisions of part 404 of the GSA regulations that incorporate and modify SEC Rule 17a-13 on quarterly security counts.

This temporary exemption applies to these entities' transactions in Cleared CDS.

The temporary exemptions contained in this Order are based on the facts and circumstances presented in the request. These temporary exemptions could become unavailable if the facts or circumstances change such that the representations in the request are no longer materially accurate. The status of Cleared CDS submitted to ICE Trust

prior to such change would be unaffected.

Karthik Ramanathan,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Financial Markets.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Financial Crimes Enforcement Network

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Report of International Transportation of Currency or Monetary Instruments

AGENCY: Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments regarding the renewal without change of the Report of International Transportation of Currency or Monetary Instruments.

SUMMARY: As part of our continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on an information collection requirement concerning the Report of International Transportation of Currency or Monetary Instruments (the "CMIR"). This request for comment is being made pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before May 11, 2009 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to: Regulatory Policy and Programs Division, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, Department of the Treasury, P.O. Box 39, Vienna, VA 22183-0039, *Attention:* PRA Comments—Report of International Transportation of Currency or Monetary Instruments. Comments also may be submitted by electronic mail to the following Internet address: "regcomments@fincen.gov" with the caption in the body of the text, "*Attention:* PRA Comments—Report of International Transportation of Currency or Monetary Instruments."

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The FinCEN Regulatory Helpline at 800-949-2732, select option 6. A copy of the form may also be obtained from the FinCEN Web site at http://www.fincen.gov/forms/files/fin105_cmir.pdf.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Title:* Report of International Transportation of Currency or Monetary Instruments.

OMB Number: 1506-0014.

Form Number: FinCEN Form 105.

Abstract: The Bank Secrecy Act (BSA), Titles I and II of Public Law 91-508, as amended, codified at 12 U.S.C. 1829b, 12 U.S.C. 1951-1959, and 31 U.S.C. 5311-5332, authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury *inter alia* to issue regulations requiring records and reports that are determined to have a high degree of usefulness in criminal, tax, or regulatory investigations or proceedings, or in the conduct of intelligence or counter-intelligence activities, including analysis, to protect against international terrorism or to implement counter-money laundering programs and compliance procedures. Regulations implementing Title II of the BSA appear at 31 CFR part 103. The authority of the Secretary to administer the BSA has been delegated to the Director of Financial Crimes Enforcement Network.

Pursuant to the BSA, "a person or an agent or bailee of the person shall file a report * * * when the person, agent, or bailee knowingly—(1) transports, is about to transport, or has transported, monetary instruments of more than \$10,000 at one time—(A) From a place in the United States to or through a place outside the United States; or (B) to a place in the United States from or through a place outside the United States; or (2) receives monetary instruments of more than \$10,000 at one time transported into the United States from or through a place outside the United States." 31 U.S.C. 5316(a). The requirement of 31 U.S.C. 5316(a) has been implemented through regulations promulgated at 31 CFR 103.23 and through the instructions to the CMIR.

Information collected on the CMIR is made available, in accordance with strict safeguards, to appropriate criminal law enforcement and regulatory personnel in the official performance of their duties. The information collected is of use in investigations involving international and domestic money laundering, tax evasion, fraud, and other financial crimes.

Current Actions: Renewal without change.

Type of Review: Renewal of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Individuals, business or other for-profit institutions, and not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 280,000.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 11 minutes.

³⁵ See note 8, *supra*.

³⁶ See note 10, *supra*.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 51,333 hours.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Records required to be retained under the BSA must be retained for five years. Generally, information collected pursuant to the BSA is confidential, but may be shared as provided by law with regulatory and law enforcement authorities.

Request for Comments: Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. *Comments are invited on:* (a) Whether the 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 estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Dated: March 4, 2009.

James H. Freis, Jr.,

Director, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of Thrift Supervision

[AC-29: OTS No. 06571]

Canisteo Savings and Loan Association, Canisteo, NY; Approval of Conversion Application

Notice is hereby given that on January 29, 2009, the Office of Thrift

Supervision approved the application of Canisteo Savings and Loan Association, Canisteo, New York, to convert to the stock form of organization. Copies of the application are available for inspection by appointment (phone number: (202) 906-5922 or e-mail:

Public.Info@OTS.Treas.gov) at the Public Reading Room, 1700 U Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552, and the OTS Northeast Regional Office, Harborside Financial Center Plaza Five, Suite 1600, Jersey City, New Jersey 07311.

Dated: March 4, 2009.

By the Office of Thrift Supervision.

Sandra E. Evans,

Federal Register Liaison.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Advisory Committee on the Readjustment of Veterans; Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under Public Law 92-463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that a meeting of the Advisory Committee on the Readjustment of Veterans will be held on March 26-27, 2009, at the American Legion, Washington Office, 1608 K Street, NW., Washington, DC.

The purpose of the Committee is to review the post-war readjustment needs of Veterans and to evaluate the availability and effectiveness of VA programs to meet these needs.

On March 26, the Committee will meet in an open session from 8 a.m. until noon. The agenda will feature a review of the service needs of combat Veterans with Traumatic Brain Injury and VA's rehabilitation programs established to meet the needs of severely wounded Veterans and family members. The Committee will also receive a briefing on the current initiatives of the Readjustment Counseling Service Vet Center program to ensure timely access and the

availability of quality readjustment services to assist the Veterans returning from Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF) and Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF). The Committee will discuss deployment-related problems faced by service members and their families following redeployment of the service member. In the afternoon, the Committee will reconvene from 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. in a closed session in order to protect patient privacy as the Committee tours patient treatment areas at the Alexandria, Virginia Vet Center and discusses service needs with Veterans and family members. Closing this portion of the meeting is in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(6).

On March 27, the Committee will meet in open session from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. and will receive a briefing on the research findings reported by the Walter Reed Army Institute for Research on the social and psychological problems of combat Veterans returning from OEF and OIF. The Committee will also finalize drafting recommendations for the Committee's next annual report.

Time will not be allocated at this meeting for receiving oral presentations from the public. However, members of the public may direct written questions or submit prepared statements for review by the Committee in advance to Mr. Charles M. Flora, M.S.W., Designated Federal Officer, Readjustment Counseling Service, Department of Veterans Affairs (15), 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420. Those who plan to attend or have questions concerning the meeting may contact Mr. Flora at (202) 461-6525 or *charles.flora@va.gov*.

Dated: March 6, 2009.

By Direction of the Secretary:

E. Philip Riggins,

Committee Management Officer.

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