

was made under general consent, prior notice, or specific consent authority. With respect to investments made under general consent authority, information also must be maintained that demonstrates compliance with the various limits set out in Section 211.9 of Regulation K.

3. *Report titles:* Request for Proposal (RFP) and Request for Price Quotations (RFPQ).

Agency form numbers: RFP/RFPQ.

OMB control number: 7100-0180.

Frequency: On-occasion.

Reporters: Vendors and suppliers.

Annual reporting hours: RFP, 7,500 hours; and RFPQ, 1,600 hours.

Estimated average hours per response: RFP, 50 hours; and RFPQ, 2 hours.

Number of respondents: RFP, 150; and RFPQ, 800.

Small businesses are affected.

General description of report: This information collection is required to obtain a benefit (12 U.S.C. 243, 244, and 248(l)). The information obtained in evaluating a contract bid or price quotation is not regarded as confidential unless offeror requests confidentiality. The Board staff must review each request received under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA; 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4)) to determine if the information may be withheld pursuant to applicable FOIA exemptions.

Abstract: The Federal Reserve uses the RFP and the RFPQ as needed to obtain competitive bids and contracts submitted by vendors (offerors). Depending upon the goods and services for which the Federal Reserve is seeking bids, the offeror is requested to provide either prices for providing the goods or services (RFPQ) or a document covering not only prices, but the means of performing a particular service and a description of the qualification of the staff of the offeror who will perform the service (RFP). This information is used to analyze the proposals and select the offer providing the best value.

4. *Report title:* Notice Requirements in Connection with Regulation W (12 CFR Part 223 Transactions Between Member Banks and Their Affiliates).

Agency form number: Reg W.

OMB control number: 7100-0304.

Frequency: Event-generated.

Reporters: Insured depository institutions and uninsured member banks.

Annual reporting hours: 220 hours.

Estimated average hours per response: Loan participation renewal notice, 2 hours; Acquisition notice, 6 hours; Internal corporate reorganization transactions notice, 6 hours; and Section 23A additional exemption notice, 10 hours.

Number of respondents: 28.

Small businesses are not affected.

General description of report: This information collection is required to evidence compliance with sections 23A and 23B of the Federal Reserve Act (12 U.S.C. 371c(f) and 371c-1(e)). Confidential and proprietary information collected for the purposes of the Loan Participation Renewal notice 12 CFR 223.15(b)(4) may be protected under the authority of the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4) and (b)(8)). Section (b)(4) exempts information deemed competitively sensitive from disclosure and Section (b)(8) exempts information "contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of an agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions."

Abstract: On December 12, 2002, the Federal Reserve published a **Federal Register** notice¹ adopting Reg W to implement sections 23A and 23B. The Regulation was effective April 1, 2003. The Board issued Reg W for several reasons. First, the regulatory framework established by the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act² emphasizes the importance of sections 23A and 23B as a means to protect depository institutions from losses in transactions with affiliates. Second, adoption of a comprehensive rule simplified the interpretation and application of sections 23A and 23B, ensured that the statute is consistently interpreted and applied, and minimized burden on banking organizations to the extent consistent with the statute's goals. Third, issuing a comprehensive rule allowed the public an opportunity to comment on Federal Reserve interpretations of sections 23A and 23B.

Current Actions: On March 4, 2009, the Federal Reserve published a notice in the **Federal Register** (74 FR 9401) requesting public comment for 60 days on the extension, without revision, of the FR H-4, FR 2064, RFP/RFPQ, and Reg W. The comment period for this notice expired on May 4, 2009. The Federal Reserve did not receive any comments.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, May 11, 2009.

Jennifer J. Johnson,

Secretary of the Board.

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¹ (67 FR 76603).

² Public Law No. 106-102, 113 Stat. 1338 (1999).

FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Meetings; Sunshine Act

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: Federal Maritime Commission.

TIME AND DATE: May 20, 2009—1:30 p.m.

PLACE: 800 North Capitol Street, NW., First Floor Hearing Room, Washington, DC.

STATUS: A portion of the meeting will be in Open Session and the remainder of the meeting will be in Closed Session.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Open Session

1. Docket No. 02-15 Passenger Vessel Financial Responsibility—Request of Commissioner Brennan.

2. FMC Agreement No. 012067: U.S. Supplemental Agreement to HLC Agreement.

3. Public Access to Number and Type of Filings in FMC's SERVCON System.

4. FY 2009 Budget Status Update.

Closed Session

1. Docket No. 08-07: Petition of Olympus Growth Fund III, L.P. and Olympus Executive Fund, L.P. for Declaratory Order, Rulemaking or Other Relief.

2. Marine Terminal Agreements Exemption at 46 CFR 535.308.

3. Proof of Financial Responsibility for Windstar Sail Cruises Limited.

4. Investigative and Enforcement Matters.

5. Internal Administrative Practices and Personnel Matters.

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Secretary.

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GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE

Appointments to the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission

AGENCY: Government Accountability Office (GAO).

ACTION: Notice of appointments.

SUMMARY: The Balanced Budget Act of 1997 established the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission (MedPAC) and gave the Comptroller General responsibility for appointing its members. This notice announces the appointment of two new members and the reappointments of five existing members.