meaningful enforcement action toward Indian Point.

- The petitioner focused on the exemptions to Appendix R to 10 CFR Part 50 that the licensee submitted in March 2009. The exemptions include operator manual actions in a large number of fire areas at Indian Point. The petitioner stated that the regulations do not authorize operator manual actions as a means for protecting a redundant system from fire. The petitioner referenced the ongoing situation in Japan and questioned whether plant operators would be physically able to perform these duties.
- The petitioner stated that (1) the NRC should reserve exemptions for extraordinary circumstances, (2) the NRC should not approve the exemptions, and (3) Entergy has not made a serious effort to comply with Federal regulations.

The NRC is treating the request under 10 CFR 2.206, “Requests for Action under This Subpart,” and has referred the request to the Director of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR). In accordance with 10 CFR 2.206, the NRC will take appropriate action on this petition within a reasonable period of time. The petitioner met with the NRR Petition Review Board on May 9, 2011, to discuss the petition. The Petition Review Board considered the results of that discussion in its determination of the petitioner’s request for immediate action and in the establishment of the schedule for the review of the petition. A copy of the petition is available for inspection at the NRC’s Public Document Room (PDR) located at One White Flint North, Public File Area O1 F21, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, MD. Publicly available documents created or received at the NRC are accessible electronically through the Agendywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) in the NRC Library at http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html. Persons who do not have access to ADAMS or who encounter problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS should contact the NRC PDR reference staff by telephone at 1-800-397-4209 or 301-415-4737 or by e-mail at PDR.Resources@nrc.gov.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 30th day of June 2011.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Eric J. Leeds,
Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

Sunshine Act; Notice of Public Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Railroad Retirement Board will hold a meeting on July 20, 2011, 10 a.m. at the Board’s meeting room on the 8th floor of its headquarters building, 844 North Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611. The agenda for this meeting follows:

Executive Committee Reports

The entire meeting will be open to the public. The person to contact for more information is Martha P. Rico, Secretary to the Board, Phone No. 312–751–4920.

Dated: July 5, 2011.

Martha P. Rico,
Secretary to the Board.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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WNC Tax Credits 40, LLC, WNC Tax Credits 41, LLC, WNC Housing Tax Credits Manager 2, LLC, WNC National Partners, LLC and WNC & Associates, Inc.; Notice of Application

July 6, 2011.

AGENCY: Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”).

ACTION: Notice of an application for an order under sections 6(c) and 6(e) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the “Act”) granting relief from all provisions of the Act, except sections 37 through 53 of the Act and the rules and regulations under those sections other than rule 38a–1 under the Act.

Applicants: WNC Tax Credits 40, LLC (“Fund 40”) and WNC Tax Credits 41, LLC (“Fund 41”) (each a “Fund,” and collectively, the “Funds”), WNC Housing Tax Credits Manager 2, LLC (the “Manager”), WNC National Partners, LLC (“WNC National Partners”) and WNC & Associates, Inc. (“WNC & Associates”).

Summary of the Application: Applicants request an order to permit each Fund to invest in limited liability companies that engage in the ownership and operation of apartment complexes for low and moderate income persons (“Apartment Complexes”).

DATES: Filing Date: The application was filed on April 4, 2011.

Hearing or Notification of Hearing: An order granting the application will be issued unless the Commission orders a hearing. Interested persons may request a hearing by writing to the Commission’s Secretary and serving applicants with a copy of the request, personally or by mail. Hearing requests should be received by the Commission by 5:30 p.m. on August 1, 2011, and should be accompanied by proof of service on applicants, in the form of an affidavit or, for lawyers, a certificate of service. Hearing requests should state the nature of the writer’s interest, the reason for the request, and the issues contested. Persons who wish to be notified of a hearing may request notification by writing to the Commission’s Secretary.


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Emerson S. Davis, Sr., Senior Counsel, (202) 551–6868, or Daniele Marchesani, Branch Chief, (202) 551–6821 (Division of Investment Management, Office of Investment Company Regulation).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following is a summary of the application. The complete application may be obtained via the Commission’s Web site by searching for the file number, or an applicant by using the Company name box, at http://www.sec.gov/search/search.htm or by calling (202) 551–8090.

Applicants’ Representations

1. Fund 40 and Fund 41 each was formed as a California limited company in 2011. Each Fund will operate as a “two-tier” partnership, i.e., each Fund will invest as a limited partner or member in other limited partnerships or limited liability companies that are characterized as partnerships for Federal income tax purposes (“Local Limited Partnerships”). The Local Limited Partnerships in turn will engage in the ownership and operation of Apartment Complexes expected to be qualified for the low income housing tax credit under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The Manager is a California limited liability company whose sole member is WNC National Partners. WNC National Partners is a California limited liability company whose sole member is WNC & Associates, a California corporation. The objectives of each Fund are to provide current tax benefits in the form of (a) a predictable stream of low income housing credits which investors may use to offset their Federal income tax liabilities, and (b) tax losses.
2. Each Fund intends to conduct a private placement of its units of limited liability company member interest (the “Units”) on a commencement date to be determined by the Manager. Each Fund’s placement will be conducted as described in, and by means of a private placement memorandum, to be supplemented periodically with updated information for each Fund’s placement (the “Memorandum”). Purchasers of Units in a Fund will be admitted as limited liability company members (“Members”) of the issuing Fund. The Units will be offered pursuant to the exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act of 1933 (the “Securities Act”), provided by Rule 506 of Regulation D under the Securities Act. Each Member will be required, as condition to acceptance of a subscription, to qualify as an “accredited investor,” as that term is defined in Rule 501(a) of Regulation D (an “Accredited Investor”). Each Fund intends to offer its Units at a price to be determined by the Manager prior to commencement of the Fund’s placement. The minimum investment per Accredited Investor will be determined prior to commencement of the offerings. Each Fund will establish its minimum and maximum capitalization, and will disclose it by supplement to its Memorandum and deliver the supplement to all prospective Accredited Investors prior to subscription.

3. Each Fund will not accept any subscriptions for Units until the requested exemptive order is granted or the Fund receives an opinion of counsel that it is exempt from registration under the Act. Subscriptions for Units must be approved by the Manager. The Accredited Investor will execute representations confirming suitability and the basis for such suitability. In addition, transfers of Units will be permitted only if the transferee meets the same suitability standards as had been imposed on the transferor Member.

4. Although a Fund’s direct control over the management of each Apartment Complex will be limited, the Fund’s ownership of interests in Local Limited Partnerships will, in an economic sense, be the substantial equivalent of direct ownership of the Apartment Complexes themselves. A Fund normally will acquire at least a 90% interest in the profits, losses, and tax credits of the Local Limited Partnerships. However, in certain cases, at the discretion of the Manager, the Fund may acquire a lesser interest in a Local Limited Partnership.

5. Each Fund will pay to the Manager in connection with the organization of each Fund, the offering of Units and the acquisition of Local Limited Partnership interests an acquisition fee for analyzing and evaluating potential investments in Local Limited Partnerships and for various other services. The Manager or its affiliates will pay all acquisition expenses of each Fund. All fees and expenses paid to all persons in connection with the organization of each Fund, the offering of Units and the acquisition of Local Limited Partnership interests will not exceed an amount equal to 22% of the Fund’s gross offering proceeds.

6. During the operating phase, the Manager will receive a yearly asset management fee from each Fund in an amount equal to 0.75% of the Fund’s invested assets for services rendered by the Manager in connection with the administration of the affairs of the Fund and the management of the Fund’s assets. During the liquidation phase, each Fund will pay the Manager or its affiliates a disposition fee in an amount of up to 3% of the gross sales price of an Apartment Complex or a Local Limited Partnership interest.

10. All proceeds of the private placement of a Fund’s Units initially will be placed in an escrow account with U.S. Bank, National Association ("Escrow Agent"). Pending release of offering proceeds to the Fund, the Escrow Agent will deposit escrowed funds in accordance with instructions from time to time received from the Manager in short-term United States Government securities, securities issued or guaranteed by the United States Government, and certificates of deposit or time or demand deposits in commercial banks. Upon receipt of a prescribed minimum amount of gross operating proceeds for a Fund, funds in escrow will be released to the Fund and held by it pending investment in Local Limited Partnerships. Any of a Fund’s offering proceeds available for investment in Local Limited Partnership interests that the Fund has not either invested or committed to invest within 24 months following the termination of its offering of Units will be distributed to investors pro rata as a return of capital.

11. If more than one entity that is the General Partner or its affiliates advises or manages may invest in a particular investment opportunity, the decision as to the entity that will be allocated the investment will be based upon such factors as the effect of the acquisition on
diversification of each entity’s portfolio, the estimated income tax effects of the purchase on each entity, the amount of funds of each entity available for investment, and the length of time such funds have been available for investment.

Applicants’ Legal Analysis

1. Applicants believe that the Funds will not be “investment companies” under sections 3(a)(1)(A) or 3(a)(1)(C) of the Act. If the Funds are deemed to be investment companies, however, applicants request an exemption under section 6(c) and 6(e) of the Act from all provisions of the Act, except sections 37 through 53 of the Act and the rules and regulations under those sections, except rule 38a-1 thereunder.

2. Section 3(a)(1)(A) of the Act provides that an issuer is an “investment company” if it is or holds itself out as being engaged primarily, or proposes to engage primarily, in the business of investing, reinvesting, or trading in securities. Applicants believe that the Funds will not be investment companies under section 3(a)(1)(A) because each Fund will be in the business of investing in and being a beneficial owner of Apartment Complexes, not securities.

3. Section 3(a)(1)(C) of the Act provides that an issuer is an “investment company” if it is engaged or proposes to engage in the business of investing, reinvesting, owning, holding, or trading in securities, and owns or proposes to acquire “investment securities” having a value exceeding 40% of the value of such issuer’s total assets (exclusive of Government securities and cash items). Applicants state that although the Local Limited Partnership interests may be deemed “investment securities,” they are not readily marketable, cannot be sold without severe adverse tax consequences, and have no value apart from the value of the Apartment Complexes owned by the Local Limited Partnerships.

4. Applicants believe that the two-tier structure is consistent with the purposes and criteria set forth in the Commission’s release concerning two-tier real estate partnerships (the “Release”). The Release states that investment companies that are two-tier real estate partnerships that invest in limited partnerships engaged in the development and operation of housing for low and moderate income persons may qualify for an exemption from the Act pursuant to section 6(c). Section 6(c) provides that the Commission may exempt any person from any provision of the Act and any rule thereunder, if, and to the extent that, such exemption is necessary or appropriate in the public interest and consistent with the protection of investors and the purposes fairly intended by the policy and provisions of the Act. Section 6(e) permits the Commission to require companies exempted from the registration requirements of the Act to comply with certain specified provisions of the Act as though the company were a registered investment company.

5. The Release lists two conditions, designed for the protection of investors, which must be satisfied by two-tier partnerships to qualify for the exemption under section 6(c). First, interests in the issuer should be sold only to persons for whom investments in limited profit, essentially tax shelter, investments would not be unsuitable. Second, requirements for fair dealing by the general partner of the issuer with the limited partners of the issuer should be included in the basic organizational documents of the company.

6. Applicants represent that Units will be sold only to persons for whom investment in limited profit, essentially tax shelter, investments would be suitable. Applicants further state that the requirements for fair dealing by the Manager with the Members are included in the basic organizational documents of each Fund. Applicants assert, among other things, that the suitability standards set forth in the application, the requirements for fair dealing provided by the Operating Agreement, and pertinent governmental regulations imposed on each Local Limited Partnership by various Federal, state, and local agencies provide protection to Accredited Investors in Units. In addition, applicants assert that the requested exemption is both necessary and appropriate in the public interest.

For the Commission, by the Division of Investment Management, pursuant to delegated authority.

Cathy H. Ahn, Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the Government in the Sunshine Act, Public Law 94–409, that the Securities and Exchange Commission will hold a Closed Meeting on Thursday, July 14, 2011 at 2 p.m. Commissioners, Counsel to the Commissioners, the Secretary to the Commission, and recording secretaries will attend the Closed Meeting. Certain staff members who have an interest in the matters also may be present.

The General Counsel of the Commission, or his designee, has certified that, in his opinion, one or more of the exemptions set forth in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(3), (5), (7), (9)(B) and (10) and 17 CFR 200.402(a)(3), (5), (7), (9(ii) and (10), permit consideration of the scheduled matters at the Closed Meeting.

Commissioner Walter, as duty officer, voted to consider the items listed for the Closed Meeting in a closed session. The subject matter of the Closed Meeting scheduled for Thursday, July 14, 2011 will be:

Institution and settlement of injunctive actions;
Institution and settlement of administrative proceedings; Adjudicatory matters; and
Other matters relating to enforcement proceedings.

At times, changes in Commission priorities require alterations in the scheduling of meeting items. For further information and to ascertain what, if any, matters have been added, deleted or postponed, please contact:
The Office of the Secretary at (202) 551–5400.

Dated: July 7, 2011.

Elizabeth M. Murphy, Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION


Self-Regulatory Organizations;
Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change Relating to an Extension of the Waiver of the Transaction Fee for Public Customer Orders in SPY Options Executed in Open Outcry or in the Automated Improvement Mechanism

July 6, 2011.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”), 1 and Rule 19b–4 thereunder, 2