

In interactive data format, financial statement information could be downloaded directly into spreadsheets and analyzed in a variety of ways using commercial off-the-shelf software. The specified financial information already is and will continue to be required to be submitted to the Commission in traditional format under existing requirements. The purpose of the interactive data requirement is to make financial information easier for investors to analyze and assist issuers in automating regulatory filings and business information processing. We estimate that 10,229 respondents per year will each submit an average of 4.5 responses per year for an estimated total of 46,031 responses. We further estimate an internal burden of 59 hours per response for a total annual internal burden of 2,715,829 hours (59 hours per response × 46,031 responses).

Written comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden imposed by the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (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. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted in writing within 60 days of this publication.

Please direct your written comments to Thomas Bayer, Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, c/o Remi Pavlik-Simon, 6432 General Green Way, Alexandria, Virginia 22312; or send an email to: PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov.

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Kevin M. O'Neill,
Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Investor Education and Advocacy, Washington, DC 20549-0213.

Extension:

Rule 30e-1, SEC File No. 270-21,

OMB Control No. 3235-0025.

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) ("Paperwork Reduction Act"), the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") is soliciting comments on the collection of information summarized below. The Commission plans to submit this existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") for extension and approval.

Rule 30e-1 (17 CFR 270.30e-1) under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-1 *et seq.*) ("Investment Company Act") generally requires a registered investment company ("fund") to transmit to its shareholders, at least semi-annually, reports containing the information that is required to be included in such reports by the fund's registration statement form under the Investment Company Act. The purpose of the collection of information required by rule 30e-1 is to provide fund shareholders with current information about the operation of their funds in accordance with Section 30 of the Investment Company Act.

Approximately 2,490 funds, with a total of approximately 10,750 portfolios, respond to rule 30e-1 annually. Based on conversations with fund representatives, we estimate that it takes approximately 84 hours to comply with the collection of information associated with rule 30e-1 per portfolio. This time is spent, for example, preparing, reviewing, and certifying the reports. Accordingly, we calculate the total estimated annual internal burden of responding to rule 30e-1 to be approximately 903,000 hours (84 hours × 10,750 portfolios). In addition to the burden hours, based on conversations with fund representatives, we estimate that the total cost burden of compliance with the information collection requirements of rule 30e-1 is approximately \$31,061 per portfolio. This includes, for example, the costs for funds to prepare, print, and mail the reports. Accordingly, we calculate the total external cost burden associated with rule 30e-1 to be approximately \$333,905,750.

Estimates of average burden hours are made solely for the purposes of the Paperwork Reduction Act and are not derived from a comprehensive or even representative survey or study of the costs of Commission rules and forms. The collection of information under rule 30e-1 is mandatory. The information provided under rule 30e-1 will not be kept confidential. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not

required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

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Extension:

Form N-5, SEC File No. 270-172, OMB Control No. 3235-0169.

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 (the "Commission") is soliciting comments on the collection of information summarized below. The Commission plans to submit this existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for extension and approval.

Form N-5 (17 CFR 239.24 and 274.5)—Registration Statement of Small Business Investment Companies Under the Securities Act of 1933 (15 U.S.C. 77a *et seq.*) and the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-1 *et seq.*) Form N-5 is the integrated registration

statement form adopted by the Commission for use by a small business investment company which has been licensed as such under the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 and has been notified by the Small Business Administration that the company may submit a license application, to register its securities under the Securities Act of 1933 ("Securities Act"), and to register as an investment company under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 ("Investment Company Act"). The purpose of registration under the Securities Act is to ensure that investors are provided with material information concerning securities offered for public sale that will permit investors to make informed decisions regarding such securities. The Commission staff reviews the registration statements for the adequacy and accuracy of the disclosure contained therein. Without Form N-5, the Commission would be unable to carry out the requirements of the Securities Act and the Investment Company Act for registration of small business investment companies. The respondents to the collection of information are small business investment companies seeking to register under the Investment Company Act and to register their securities for sale to the public under the Securities Act.

Based on discussions with fund representatives and the Commission's experience with the filing of Form N-5 and with disclosure documents generally, we estimate that the reporting burden of compliance with Form N-5 is approximately 352 hours per respondent. The Commission has received one Form N-5 filing in the last three years, for an average annual hourly burden of 117 hours. The cost of compliance varies considerably depending on factors such as whether a filing is a new registration statement or an update to a previously effective registration statement; whether the fund being registered presents novel or complex legal issues or is similar to other funds; whether amendments are required in response to staff comments; and whether outside counsel and accountants are necessary for preparation of the filing. Based on discussions with fund representatives and the Commission's experience with the filing of Form N-5 and with comparable disclosure documents, we estimate that the cost of compliance may range from less than \$15,000 (for a routine filing) to over \$60,000 (for a registration statement presenting significant legal issues per response)

with an average cost per filing of \$30,000. There has been one Form N-5 filing in the last three years. We therefore estimate that the average annual cost burden to the industry is \$10,000.

Written comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will 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 collected; and (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. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted in writing within 60 days of this publication.

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Extension:

Form N-8B-2, SEC File No. 270-186, OMB Control No. 3235-0186.

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 (the "Commission") is soliciting comments on the collection of information summarized below. The Commission plans to submit this existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for extension and approval.

Form N-8B-2 (17 CFR 274.12) is the form used by unit investment trusts ("UITs") other than separate accounts that are currently issuing securities,

including UITs that are issuers of periodic payment plan certificates and UITs of which a management investment company is the sponsor or depositor, to comply with the filing and disclosure requirements imposed by section 8(b) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8(b)). Form N-8B-2 requires disclosure about the organization of a UIT, its securities, the personnel and affiliated persons of the depositor, the distribution and redemption of securities, the trustee or custodian, and financial statements. The Commission uses the information provided in the collection of information to determine compliance with section 8(b) of the Investment Company Act.

Based on the Commission's industry statistics, the Commission estimates that there would be approximately two initial filings on Form N-8B-2 and 6 post-effective amendment filings to the Form annually. The Commission estimates that each registrant filing an initial Form N-8B-2 would spend 10 hours in preparing and filing the Form and that the total hour burden for all initial Form N-8B-2 filings would be 20 hours. Also, the Commission estimates that each UIT filing a post-effective amendment to Form N-8B-2 would spend 6 hours in preparing and filing the amendment and that the total hour burden for all post-effective amendments to the Form would be 36 hours. By combining the total hour burdens estimated for initial Form N-8B-2 filings and post-effective amendments filings to the Form, the Commission estimates that the total annual burden hours for all registrants on Form N-8B-2 would be 56. Estimates of the burden hours are made solely for the purposes of the PRA, and are not derived from a comprehensive or even a representative survey or study of the costs of SEC rules and forms.

The information provided on Form N-8B-2 is mandatory. The information provided on Form N-8B-2 will not be kept confidential. An Agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

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