

The proposed design change for the brakes will not affect individual or cumulative occupational radiation exposure.

3. The proposed amendment will not result in a significant construction impact.

The proposed change will not result in any construction, therefore, there will be no construction impacts.

4. The proposed amendment will not result in a significant increase in the potential for, or radiological or chemical consequences from, previously analyzed accidents.

The proposed change involves a change to the description of the safety features on the feed facility cranes. The changes are being made to reflect the field configuration of the cranes. The brake design in question complies with the requirements of ANSI B30.2-1990 and will continue to perform its safety function. As such, the potential of occurrence of an evaluated event is unaffected. The consequences of previously evaluated accidents are not increased.

5. The proposed amendment will not result in the possibility of a new or different kind of accident.

The proposed changes revise the design feature for the brakes of the feed facility cranes to match the field configuration. The brakes meet ANSI B30.2-1990 and will continue to meet their safety feature. The change does not create the possibility for a new or different type of accident.

6. The proposed amendment will not result in a significant reduction in any margin of safety.

The brake designs for the cranes comply with the requirements of ANSI B30.2-1990. The TSR change is necessary to reflect the field configuration of the brakes. The accident analysis is not affected by this change. The proposed changes cause no reductions in the margins of safety.

7. The proposed amendment will not result in an overall decrease in the effectiveness of the plant's safety, safeguards or security programs.

The proposed TSR change is being made to reflect the field configuration of the brakes for the feed facility cranes. The effectiveness of the safety, safeguards, and security programs is not decreased.

Effective date: Upon issuance of amendment.

Certificate of Compliance No. GDP-1: Amendment will revise a Technical Safety Requirement on crane design and incorporate Safety Analysis Report changes.

Local Public Document Room location: Paducah Public Library, 555

Washington Street, Paducah, Kentucky 42003.

Dated at Rockville, MD, this 27th day of March 1997.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Carl J. Paperiello, Director,**  
*Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.*

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## RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

### Agency Forms Submitted for OMB Review

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Railroad Retirement Board has submitted the following proposal(s) for the collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for review and approval.

#### SUMMARY OF PROPOSAL(S):

(1) *Collection title:* Application and Claim for Unemployment Benefits and Employment Service.

(2) *Form(s) submitted:* UI-1, UI-3.

(3) *OMB Number:* 3220-0022.

(4) *Expiration date of current OMB clearance:* 4/30/98.

(5) *Type of request:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

(6) *Respondents:* Individuals or households.

(7) *Estimated annual number of respondents:* 294,000.

(8) *Total annual responses:* 294,000.

(9) *Total annual reporting hours:* 31,333.

(10) *Collection description:* Under Section 2 of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act, unemployment benefits are provided for qualified railroad employees. The collection obtains the information needed for determining the eligibility to and amount of such benefits from railroad employees.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS:

Copies of the form and supporting documents can be obtained from Chuck Mierzwa, the agency clearance officer (312-751-3363). Comments regarding the information collection should be addressed to Ronald J. Hodapp, Railroad Retirement Board, 844 North Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611-2092 and the OMB reviewer, Laura Oliven (202-395-7316), Office of Management and Budget, Room 10230, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

**Chuck Mierzwa,**  
*Clearance Officer.*

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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 17a-8, SEC File No. 270-225, OMB  
Control No. 3235-0235

Form N-8F, SEC File No. 270-136, OMB  
Control No. 3235-0157

Form N-23C-1, SEC File No. 270-230,  
OMB Control No. 3235-0230

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 approval of extension on previously approved collections of information:

Rule 17a-8 exempts certain mergers and similar business combinations ("mergers") of affiliated registered investment companies ("funds") from section 17(a)'s prohibitions on purchases and sales between a fund and its affiliates. The rule requires fund directors to consider certain issues and to record their findings in board minutes. The average annual burden of meeting the requirements of Rule 17a-8 is estimated to be 1.5 hours for each fund. The Commission estimates that about seventeen funds rely each year on the rule. The total average annual burden for all respondents is therefore twenty-six hours.

Form N-8F is the form prescribed for use by registered investment companies in certain circumstances to request orders of the Commission declaring that they have ceased to be investment companies. The form takes approximately 6 hours to complete. It is estimated that approximately 160 investment companies file Form N-8F annually, for a total annual burden of 960 hours.

Form N-23C-1 assists the Commission and the public in monitoring repurchases by closed-end investment companies ("closed-end funds") of their own securities under Rule 23c-1, which permits such repurchases in limited circumstances subject to certain safeguards. The form, which must be filed within the first 10 days of the calendar month following any month in which securities are repurchased, requires the closed-end fund to report certain information including the date, amount, and price of repurchases and other information. It is

estimated that four closed-end funds are affected by the rule each year, and that they file approximately 23 reports in total each year (based on the average of 0 to 12 reports filed annually by each fund) requiring one hour per report, for a total of 23 annual burden hours.

General comments regarding the estimated burden hours should be directed to the Desk Officer for the Securities and Exchange Commission at the address below. Any comments concerning the accuracy of the estimated average burden hours for compliance with Commission rules and forms should be directed to Michael E. Bartell, Associate Executive Director, Office of Information Technology, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549 and Desk Officer for the Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Room 3208, New Executive Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20503.

Dated: March 26, 1997.

**Margaret H. McFarland,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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### Sunshine Act Meetings

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the Government in the Sunshine Act, Pub. L. 94-409, that the Securities and Exchange Commission will hold the following meetings during the week of April 7, 1997.

An open meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 8, 1997, at 10:00 a.m. A closed meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 9, 1997, at 10:00 a.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 may also 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) (4), (8), (9)(A) and (10) and 17 CFR 200.402(a) (4), (8), (9)(i) and (10), permit consideration of the scheduled matters at the closed meeting.

Commissioner Hunt, as duty officer, voted to consider the items listed for the closed meeting in a closed session.

The subject matter of the open meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 8, 1997, at 10:00 a.m., will be:

The Commission will meet with representatives from the American Society of

Corporate Secretaries to discuss a number of issues of mutual interest, including the Plain English pilot program and proposing release, EDGAR and electronic dissemination of information to shareholders, the shareholder proposal rules, Rule 144, direct shareholder communications, direct registration and direct purchase plans, and lost securities holders. For further information, please contact Marija Willen at (202) 942-2840.

The subject matter of the closed meeting scheduled for Wednesday, April 9, 1997, at 10:00 a.m., will be:

Institution of injunctive actions.  
Institution and settlement of administrative proceedings of an enforcement nature.

At times, changes in Commission priorities require alternations 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) 942-7070.

Dated: April 1, 1997.

**Jonathan G. Katz,**

*Secretary.*

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### Self-Regulatory Organizations; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change by the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., Relating to the Valuation of Illiquid Direct Participation Program and Real Estate Investment Trust Securities on Customer Account Statements

March 27, 1997.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"), 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1), notice is hereby given that on February 21, 1997, NASD Regulation, Inc. ("NASD Regulation") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC" or "Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II and III below, which Items have been prepared by NASD Regulation. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

#### I. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

NASD Regulation proposes to amend Rule 2340, "Customer Account Statements," of the Conduct Rules of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. ("NASD" or "Association") to require general securities members to provide estimated values for direct

participation program ("DPP")<sup>1</sup> securities and real estate investment trust ("REIT") securities on customer account statements under certain circumstances. Below is the text of the proposed rule change. Proposed new language is italicized and proposed deletions are bracketed.

#### Rule 2340 Customer Account Statements

##### (a) General

Each general securities member shall, with a frequency of not less than once every calendar quarter, send a statement of account ("*statement*") containing a description of any securities positions, money balances, or account activity to each customer whose account had a security position, money balance or account activity during the period since the last such statement was sent to the customer.

##### (b) DPP/REIT Securities

(1) *If a member participated in the public offering of any direct participation program (DPP) or real estate investment trust (REIT) securities (as these terms are defined below) and an estimated value of DPP or REIT securities is available pursuant to subparagraphs (3)(A) (ii) or (iii), the member shall list the DPP and/or REIT securities on the statement with an estimated value; except that the member shall not include on the account statement an estimated value that the member believes is inaccurate as of the date of the valuation or is no longer accurate as a result of a material change in the operations or assets of the program or trust; or*

(2) *If the member or an affiliate of the member, acting as a fiduciary, provides estimated values of DPP and/or REIT securities to accounts that are subject to Employee Retirement Income Securities Act ("ERISA") and Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") regulations, the member shall disclose the same valuations on the statements of all other customers owning such securities.*

(3) *If DPP and/or REIT securities are listed on the statement with an estimated value:*

(A) *such estimated value shall be:*

<sup>1</sup> Paragraph (a)(4) of NASD Rule 2810, "Direct Participation Programs," defines a DPP as "a program which provides for flow-through tax consequences regardless of the structure of the legal entity or vehicle for distribution including, but not limited to, oil and gas programs, real estate programs, agricultural programs, cattle programs, condominium securities, Subchapter S corporate offerings and all other programs of a similar nature. . . ." According to NASD Regulation, this definition would cover most limited partnerships and specifically excludes real estate investment trusts.