

petition should address the factors that the Commission will also consider, in reviewing untimely requests or petitions, set forth in 10 CFR 2.1308(b)(1)–(2).

Requests for a hearing and petitions for leave to intervene should be served upon David J. Molzahn, licensing representative for WPSC, at Wisconsin Public Service Corporation, 700 North Adams Street, P.O. Box 19001, Green Bay, WI 54307–9001 (tel: 920–433–1308; fax: 920–433–5544; e-mail: dmolzah@wspr.com); and the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555 (e-mail address for filings regarding license transfer cases only: OGCLT@NRC.gov); and the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555–0001, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff, in accordance with 10 CFR 2.1313.

The Commission will issue a notice or order granting or denying a hearing request or intervention petition, designating the issues for any hearing that will be held and designating the Presiding Officer. A notice granting a hearing will be published in the **Federal Register** and served on the parties to the hearing.

As an alternative to requests for hearing and petitions to intervene, by March 6, 2000, persons may submit written comments regarding the license transfer application, as provided for in 10 CFR 2.1305. The Commission will consider and, if appropriate, respond to these comments, but such comments will not otherwise constitute part of the decisional record. Comments should be submitted to the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555–0001, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff, and should cite the publication date and page number of this **Federal Register** notice.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application dated November 24, 1999, as supplemented December 7, 1999, available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, and accessible electronically through the ADAMS Public Electronic Reading Room link at the NRC Web site (<http://www.nrc.gov>).

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 31st day of January 2000.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission

**Claudia M. Craig,**

*Chief, Section 1, Project Directorate III, Division of Licensing Project Management, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.*

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## **OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION**

### **Sunshine Act Meeting**

**TIME AND DATE:** 10:00 a.m. on February 10, 2000.

**PLACE:** The Commission's National Office at One Lafayette Centre, 1120 20th St., N.W., 9th Floor, Washington, DC 20036–3419.

**STATUS:** Pursuant to 29 CFR § 2203.3(a) this meeting will be open to the public.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** The meeting previously scheduled for February 10, 2000 will be opened to allow the Commission to discuss the evaluation of the Commission's pilot program for the Settlement Part (29 CFR § 2200.120) and of E–Z Trial (29 CFR §§ 2200.200–211). The Commission also will consider whether to extend the pilot program for the Settlement Part in order to complete the evaluation.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

Earl R. Ohman, Jr., General Counsel,  
(202) 606–5410.

**Earl R. Ohman, Jr.,**

*General Counsel.*

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## **RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD**

### **Actuarial Advisory Committee With Respect to the Railroad Retirement Account; Notice of Public Meeting**

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Public Law 92–463 that the Actuarial Advisory Committee will hold a meeting on February 7, 2000, at 3:30 p.m. at the office of the Chief Actuary of the U.S. Railroad Retirement Board, 844 North Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois, on the conduct of the 21st Actuarial Valuation of the Railroad Retirement System. The agenda for this meeting will include a discussion of the assumptions to be used in the 21st Actuarial Valuation. A report containing recommended assumptions and the experience on which the recommendations are based will have been sent by the Chief Actuary to the Committee before the meeting.

The meeting will be open to the public. Persons wishing to submit written statements or make oral presentations should address their communications or notices to the RRB Actuarial Advisory Committee, c/o Chief Actuary, U.S. Railroad Retirement Board, 844 North Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611–2092.

Dated: January 28, 2000.

**Beatrice Ezerski,**

*Secretary to the Board.*

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## **SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**[Release No. IC–24268]**

### **Notice of Applications for Deregistration Under Section 8(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940**

January 28, 2000.

The following is a notice of applications for deregistration under section 8(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 for the month of January, 2000. A copy of each application may be obtained for a fee at the SEC's Public Reference Branch, 450 Fifth St., NW, Washington, DC 20549–0102 (tel. 202–942–8090). An order granting each application will be issued unless the SEC orders a hearing. Interested persons may request a hearing on any application by writing to the SEC's Secretary at the address below and serving the relevant applicant with a copy of the request, personally or by mail. Hearing requests should be received by the SEC by 5:30 p.m. on February 22, 2000, and should be accompanied by proof of service on the applicant, 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 Secretary, SEC, 450 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20549–0609. For Further Information, Contact: Diane L. Titus, at (202) 942–0564, SEC, Division of Investment Management, Office of Investment Company Regulation, 450 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20549–0506.

### **Sefton Funds Trust [File No. 811–8948]**

**Summary:** Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On November 22, 1999, applicant transferred its assets to Kayne Anderson Mutual Funds based on net asset value. Expenses of \$119,500

incurred in connection with the reorganization were paid by Kayne Anderson Investment Management, LLC, Investment adviser to the acquiring fund.

*Filing Dates:* The application was filed on January 3, 2000, and amended on January 20, 2000.

*Applicants Address:* 2550 Fifth Avenue, Suite 808, San Diego, California 92103.

**State Street Research Portfolios, Inc. [File No. 811-6375]**

*Summary:* Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On October 1, 1999, applicant transferred its assets to State Street Research International Equity Fund, a series of State Street Research Financial Trust, based on net asset value. Expenses of \$67,250 incurred in connection with the reorganization were paid by applicant.

*Filing Date:* The application was filed on January 7, 2000.

*Applicant's Address:* One Financial Center, Boston, Massachusetts 02111.

**The Universal Funds [File No. 811-9627]**

*Summary:* Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. Applicant has not made public offering of its securities and does not propose to make any public offering or engage in business of any kind.

*Filing Date:* The application was filed on January 6, 2000.

*Applicant's Address:* Via Mizner Financial Plaza, 700 South Federal Highway—Suite 300, Boca Raton, Florida 33432.

**AIM Eastern Europe Fund [File No. 811-5978]**

*Summary:* Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On September 10, 1999, applicant transferred its assets to AIM Developing Markets Fund, a series of AIM Investment Funds, based on net asset value. Expenses of \$125,730 incurred in connection with the reorganization were paid by AIM Advisors, Inc., applicant's investment adviser.

*Filing Date:* The application was filed on December 29, 1999.

*Applicant's Address:* 11 Greenway Plaza, Suite 100, Houston, Texas 77046-1173.

**Cadre Network Health Financial Services Trust [File No. 811-6567]**

*Summary:* Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. By May 1, 1999,

all shareholders of applicant had redeemed their shares at net asset value. Expenses of \$3,888 incurred in connection with the liquidation will be paid by applicant.

*Filing Dates:* The application was filed on November 24, 1999, and amended on December 22, 1999.

*Applicant's Address:* 905 Marconi Avenue, Ronkonkoma, New York 11779.

**Latin America Smaller Companies Fund, Inc. [File No. 811-7197]**

*Summary:* Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On August 24, 1999, applicant made a final liquidating distribution to its shareholders based on net asset value. Expenses of \$111,388 incurred in connection with the liquidation were paid by applicant.

*Filing Dates:* The application was filed on November 23, 1999, and amended on January 7, 2000.

*Applicant's Address:* 101 Federal Street, 6th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110.

**Merrill Lynch Technology Fund, Inc. [File No. 811-6407]**

*Summary:* Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On September 20, 1999, applicant transferred its assets to Merrill Lynch Global Technology Fund, Inc. based on net asset value. Expenses of \$299,965 incurred in connection with the reorganization were paid by the surviving fund.

*Filing Dates:* The application was filed on December 22, 1999, and amended on January 19, 2000.

*Applicant's Address:* 800 Scudders Mill Road, Plainsboro, New Jersey 08536.

**Trust for Return and Income [File No. 811-6617]**

*Summary:* Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. Applicant has never made a public offering of its securities and does not propose to make a public offering or engage in business of any kind.

*Filing Dates:* The application was filed on December 6, 1999, and amended on January 10, 2000.

*Applicant's Address:* 125 Broad Street, New York, New York 10004-2708.

**American Equity Life Variable Account [File No. 811-8643]**

*Summary:* Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. Applicant has not made any public offering of its securities, is not now engaged, or

intending to engage, in any business activities other than those necessary for winding up its affairs.

*Filing Date:* The application was filed on December 17, 1999.

*Applicant's Address:* 5000 Westown Parkway, Suite 440, West Des Moines, Iowa 50266.

**Farm Bureau Life Annuity Account III [File No. 811-8975]**

*Summary:* Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. Applicant has not made any public offering of its securities, is not now engaged, or intending to engage, in any business activities other than those necessary for winding up its affairs.

*Filing Date:* The application was filed on December 20, 1999.

*Applicant's Address:* 5400 University Avenue, West Des Moines, Iowa 50266.

**General American Life Insurance Company Separate Account Two [File No. 811-9387]**

*Summary:* Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. Applicant has not made any public offering of its securities, is not now engaged, or intending to engage, in any business activities other than those necessary for winding up its affairs.

*Filing Date:* The application was filed on July 26, 1999.

*Applicant's Address:* 700 Market Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63101.

**PFL Wright Variable Annuity Account [File No. 811-7688]**

*Summary:* Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. There are no remaining policyholders.

*Filing Date:* The application was filed on September 2, 1999.

*Applicant's Address:* 4333 Edgewood Road, N.E., Cedar Rapids, IA 52499-0001.

**Alexander Hamilton Variable Insurance Trust [File No. 811-8682]**

*Summary:* Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On December 5, 1997 and December 12, 1997, applicant made liquidating distributions to its shareholders based on net asset value per share. Applicant incurred \$16,995 in legal expenses regarding an order of substitution granted by the SEC that is connected to the liquidation.

*Filing Date:* The application was filed on September 13, 1999.

*Applicant's Address:* 100 North Greene Street, Greensboro, NC 27401.

**Astra Strategic Investment Series [File No. 811-0038], Astra Global Investment Series [File No. 811-4468], Astra Institutional Securities Trust [File No. 811-6408] and Astra Institutional Trust [File No. 811-6518]**

*Summary:* Each applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. By December 29, 1997, each applicant had made a final liquidating distribution to its shareholders based on net asset value. Shareholder Communications Corporation, a professional pre-escrow service provider, has been retained to search for shareholders whose whereabouts could not be ascertained. Astra Strategic Investment Series paid approximately \$90,271 in expenses in connection with its liquidation. Each of the remaining applicants paid approximately \$23,798 in expenses in connection with their liquidations.

*Filing Dates:* Each application was filed on January 3, 2000, and amended on January 21, 2000.

*Applicant's Address:* c/o PFPC, Inc., 103 Bellevue Parkway, Wilmington, Delaware 19809.

**American Skandia Life Assurance Corporation Variable Account C [File No. 811-5676]**

*Summary:* Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. Applicant has not made any public offering of its securities and does not propose to make any public offering or engage in business of any kind.

*Filing Dates:* The application was filed on January 4, 2000 and amended on January 18, 2000.

*Applicant's Address:* One Corporate Drive, Shelton, CT 06484.

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

**Margaret H. McFarland,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

[Release No. IC-24270, 812-11778]

**HT Insight Funds, Inc., et al., Notice of Application**

January 28, 2000.

**AGENCY:** Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC").

**ACTION:** Notice of an application for an order under section 17(b) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

("Act") for an exemption from section 17(a) of the Act.

**SUMMARY OF APPLICATION:** Applicants request an order to permit certain series of Harris Insight Funds Trust ("HIFT") to acquire all of the assets and liabilities of all of the series of HT Insight Funds Inc. ("HTIF") (the "Reorganization"). Because of certain affiliations, applicants may not rely on rule 17a-8 under the Act.

**APPLICANTS:** HIFT, HTIF, and Harris Trust and Savings Bank ("Harris Bank").

**FILING DATES:** The application was filed on September 17, 1999, and amended and restated on January 18, 2000.

**HEARING OR NOTIFICATION OF HEARING:** An order granting the application will be issued unless the SEC orders a hearing. Interested persons may request a hearing by writing to the SEC's Secretary and serving applicants with a copy of the request, personally or by mail. Hearing requests should be received by the SEC by 5:30 p.m. on February 22, 2000, 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 SEC's Secretary.

**ADDRESSES:** Secretary, SEC, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549-0609. HIFT and HTIF, Four Falls Corporate Center, 6th Floor, West Conshohocken, Pennsylvania, 19428-2961. Harris Bank, 111 West Monroe Street/6W, Chicago, Illinois, 60603.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paula L. Kashtan, Senior Counsel, at (202) 942-0615, or Mary Kay Frech, Branch Chief, at (202) 942-0564 (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 for a fee at the SEC's Public Reference Branch, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549-0102 (telephone (202) 942-8090).

**Applicants' Representations**

1. HTIF, a Maryland corporation, is registered under the Act as an open-end management investment company and is comprised of five series, Harris Insight Equity Fund, Harris Insight Short/Intermediate Bond Fund, Harris Insight Money Market Fund, Harris

Insight Government Money Market Fund, and Harris Insight Tax-Exempt Money Market Fund (the "Acquired Funds").

2. HIFT, a Massachusetts business trust, is registered under the Act as an open-end management investment company and is currently comprised of thirteen series. As part of the Reorganization, HIFT is organizing the following five new shell series: Harris Insight Equity Fund, Harris Insight Short/Intermediate Bond Fund, Harris Insight Money Market Fund, Harris Insight Government Money Market Fund, and Harris Insight Tax-Exempt Money Market Fund (the "Acquiring Funds," collectively with the Acquired Fund, the "Funds").<sup>1</sup> Applicants state that the investment objectives and policies of the Acquiring funds are substantially similar to those of the corresponding Acquired Funds.

3. Harris Bank serves as investment adviser to the Acquired Funds and is exempt from registration under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940. Harris Bank will act as the investment adviser to the Acquiring Funds. Harris Investment Management, Inc. ("HIM"), an affiliate of Harris Bank, is registered as an investment adviser under the Advisers Act, and serves as subadviser to four of the Acquired Funds and will serve as subadviser to the four corresponding Acquiring Funds. Harris Bank and HIM are each wholly-owned subsidiaries of Harris Bankcorp, Inc. Currently, Harris Bank, HIM and/or certain of their affiliates that are under common control (the "Harris Group") hold of record, in their names or in the names of their nominees, in excess of 25% of the outstanding voting securities of each of the Acquired Funds. All of these securities are held for the benefit of others in a trust, agency, custodial or other fiduciary or representative capacity.

4. On July 29, 1999, the board of directors of HTIF (the "Board" or "HTIF") and the board of trustees of HIFT, none of whom are "interested persons" as defined in section 2(a)(19) of the Act ("Disinterested Directors/ Trustees"), approved the Reorganization pursuant to which the assets and liabilities of each of the Acquired Funds will be transferred to the corresponding Acquiring Fund in exchange for shares of designated classes of the corresponding Acquiring Fund

<sup>1</sup> A registration statement for the five shell Acquiring Funds is expected to be filed in February, 2000, and it is anticipated that it will be declared effective on or before May 1, 2000. The Acquiring funds are expected to commence operations upon the consummation of the Reorganization.