

Close Advisory Committee meetings, dated July 19, 1993, I have determined that these meetings will be closed to the public pursuant to subsections (c)(4), and (6) of section 552b of Title 5, United States Code.

1. *Date:* June 2, 2003.

Time: 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Room: 415.

Program: This meeting will review applications for Humanities Focus Grants, submitted to the Division of Education Programs at the April 15, 2003 deadline.

2. *Date:* June 30, 2003.

Time: 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Room: 415.

Program: This meeting will review applications for Colleges and Universities, submitted to the Office of Challenge Grants at the May 1, 2003 deadline.

Heather Gottry,

Acting Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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THE NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

SES Performance Review Board

AGENCY: The National Endowment for the Humanities.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the membership of the Performance Review Board of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Timothy G. Connelly, Director of Human Resources, National Endowment for the Humanities, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20506; telephone (202) 606-8415.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: 5 U.S.C. 3393 and 4314(c)(1) through (5) require each agency to establish, in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Office of Personnel Management, both an executive resources board and a performance review board for SES. The National Endowment for the Humanities has a combined Board, which is referred to as the Executive Resources and Performance Review Board (ERPRB).

Effective July 1, 2003, the members of the National Endowment for the Humanities SES Performance Review Board are Jeffrey Thomas, Assistant Chairman for Planning and Operations—Board Chair, Cherie Harder, Senior Counselor to the Chairman, and Stephen Ross, Director,

Office of Challenge Grants. All members will serve until replaced.

Bruce Cole,

Chairman.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Permits Issued Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice of permits issued under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978, Public Law 95-541.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish notice of permits issued under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978. This is the required notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Nadene G. Kennedy, Permit Office, Office of Polar Programs, Rm. 755, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On March 26, 2003, the National Science Foundation published a notice in the **Federal Register** of a permit application received. A permit was issued on May 15, 2003 to: Werner Stambach, Permit No. 2004-001.

Nadene G. Kennedy,

Permit Officer.

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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

Proposed Collection: Comment Request

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 which provides opportunity for public comment on new or revised data collections, the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) will publish periodic summaries of proposed data collections.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information has practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the RRB's estimate of the burden of the collection of the information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden related to the collection of information on respondents, including the use of

automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Title and purpose of information collection: Statement of Claimant or Other Person; OMB 3220-0183. To support an application for an annuity under Section 2 of the Railroad Retirement Act (RRA) or for unemployment benefits under Section 2 of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act (RUIA), pertinent information and proofs must be furnished for the RRB to determine benefit entitlement. Circumstances may require an applicant or other person(s) having knowledge of facts relevant to the applicant's eligibility for an annuity or benefits to provide written statements supplementing or changing statements previously provided by the applicant. Under the railroad retirement program these statements may relate to changes in annuity beginning date(s), dates for marriage(s), birth(s), prior railroad or non-railroad employment, an applicant's request for reconsideration of an unfavorable RRB eligibility determination for an annuity or various other matters. The statements may also be used by the RRB to secure a variety of information needed to determine eligibility to unemployment and sickness benefits. Procedures related to providing information needed for RRA annuity or RUIA benefit eligibility determinations are prescribed in 20 CFR parts 217 and 320 respectively.

The RRB utilizes Form G-93, *Statement of Claimant or Other Person* to obtain the supplemental or corrective information from applicants or other persons needed to determine applicant eligibility for an RRA annuity or RUIA benefits.

The RRB proposes no changes to Form G-93.

The completion time for Form G-93 is estimated at 15 minutes per response. The RRB estimates that approximately 900 Form G-93's are received annually. Completion is voluntary. One response is requested of each respondent.

Additional Information or Comments: To request more information or to obtain a copy of the information collection justification, forms, and/or supporting material, please call the RRB Clearance Officer at (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. Written comments

should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Chuck Mierzwa,
Clearance Officer.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Investment Company Act Release No. 26047; 812-12770]

The MainStay Funds, et al.; Notice of Application

May 15, 2003.

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

ACTION: Notice of an application for an order under section 12(d)(1)(J) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "Act") for an exemption from sections 12(d)(1)(A) and (B) of the Act, under sections 6(c) and 17(b) of the Act for an exemption from section 17(a) of the Act, and under section 17(d) of the Act and rule 17d-1 under the Act to permit certain joint transactions.

Summary of the Application: The requested order would permit certain registered management investment companies to invest uninvested cash and cash collateral in affiliated money market funds in excess of the limits in sections 12(d)(1)(A) and (B) of the Act.

Applicants: The MainStay Funds ("MainStay"), Mainstay VP Series Fund, Inc. ("VP"), Eclipse Funds, Eclipse Funds, Inc., New York Life Investment Management Institutional Funds ("NYLIM Institutional") and McMorgan Funds (together the "Funds"), all existing and future series of the Funds (together the "Portfolios"), New York Life Investment Management LLC ("NYLIM"), MacKay Shields LLC ("MacKay") and McMorgan & Company LLC ("McMorgan," together with NYLIM and MacKay, the "Adviser"), and any other registered management investment company and series thereof currently or in the future advised by the Adviser or any entity controlling, controlled by, or under common control with the Adviser (included in the term "Adviser") (each such investment company included in the term "Funds" and its series included in the term "Portfolios").

Filing Dates: The application was filed on February 12, 2002 and amended on May 9, 2003.

Hearing or Notification of Hearing: An order granting the requested relief 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 June 9, 2003, 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.

ADDRESSES: Secretary, Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC, 20549-0609. Applicants, c/o Paul Schott Stevens, Esq., Dechert, 1775 Eye Street NW., Washington, DC, 20006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Emerson S. Davis, Sr., Senior Counsel, at (202) 942-0714, or Nadya B. Roytblat, Assistant Director, 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 Commission's Public Reference Branch, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC, 20549-0102 (tel. 202-942-8090).

Applicants' Representations

1. Each Fund is registered under the Act as an open management investment company. MainStay and Eclipse Funds are Massachusetts business trusts and consist of twenty-four and four Portfolios, respectively. VP and Eclipse Funds, Inc., are Maryland corporations and are comprised of nineteen and fourteen Portfolios, respectively. McMorgan Funds and NYLIM Institutional are Delaware business trusts and consist of five and one Portfolios, respectively. The Portfolio of NYLIM Institutional holds itself out as a money market fund that complies with rule 2a-7 under the Act (together with any future Portfolios that comply with rule 2a-7 under the Act, the "Money Market Funds").¹

2. NYLIM, an investment adviser registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 ("Advisers Act"),

¹ All existing Funds that currently intend to rely on the requested relief are named as applicants. The term "Adviser" shall include successor(s) in interests, which are entities that result from a reorganization of the entity into another jurisdiction or a change in the type of business organization of the entity. Any other existing and future entity that may rely on the relief in the future will do so only in accordance with the terms and conditions of the application.

serves as investment adviser to the Portfolios. MacKay and McMorgan, investment advisers registered under the Advisers Act, are subadvisers to certain Portfolios. The Adviser serves or may serve as investment adviser to privately managed accounts which are entities that are not pooled investment vehicles ("Managed Accounts"). NYLIM, MacKay and McMorgan are indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries of New York Life Insurance Company.

3. Portfolios that are not Money Market Funds (the "Investing Funds") and Managed Accounts have, or are expected to have, cash reserves ("Uninvested Cash"). Such Uninvested Cash may result from a variety of sources, including dividends or interest received on portfolio securities, unsettled securities transactions, strategic reserves, matured investments, liquidated proceeds from investment securities, or new investor monies. Certain Investing Funds and Managed Accounts also may participate in a securities lending program under which an Investing Fund may lend its portfolio securities to registered broker-dealers or other institutional investors ("Securities Lending Program"). The loans will be continuously secured by collateral, equal at all times to at least the market value of the securities loaned (such collateral, when in the form of cash, "Cash Collateral" and together with Uninvested Cash, "Cash Balances"). The Managed Accounts also may have Cash Collateral.

4. Applicants request an order to permit the Investing Funds and Managed Accounts to invest their Cash Balances in shares of one or more Money Market Funds and the Money Market Funds to sell their shares to, and redeem their shares from, the Investing Funds and Managed Accounts and the Adviser to effect the proposed transactions. Investment of Cash Balances in shares of the Money Market Funds will be made consistent with each Investing Fund's investment restrictions and policies as set forth in its prospectus and statement of additional information. Applicants believe that the proposed transactions may reduce transaction costs, create more liquidity, increase returns, and further diversify holdings.

5. Applicants state that the Managed Accounts and Money Market Funds engage in the purchase and sale transactions with each other in reliance of rule 17a-7 under the Act. Applicants seek relief to permit these interfund transactions to continue in the event that the Managed Accounts become 5% or more owners of the Money Market Funds ("Interfund Transactions").