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For further details with respect to this license amendment application, see the application for amendment dated August 29, 2006, as supplemented November 6, November 27, 2006, January 30, June 22, July 16, August 13, October 18, December 11, 2007, January 24, February 4, February 25 (two letters, nos. 1389 and 0175), February 27, March 13, April 1, May 5, June 25, July 2, and July 14, 2008, which is available for public inspection at the Commission's PDR, located at One White Flint North, File Public Area O1 F21, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland. Publicly available records will be accessible electronically from the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System's (ADAMS) Public Electronic Reading Room on the Internet at the NRC Web site, 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, 301-415-4737, or by e-mail to pdr@nrc.gov.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 14th day of July 2008.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. **R. E. Martin**,

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POSTAL SERVICE

Board of Governors; Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND DATE: 5 p.m., Monday, July 28; and 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, July 29, 2008.

PLACE: Washington, DC, at U.S. Postal Service Headquarters, 475 L'Enfant Plaza. SW.

STATUS: Closed.

Matters To Be Considered

Monday, July 28 at 5 p.m. (Closed)

- 1. Financial Update.
- 2. Strategic Issues.
- 3. Financial Outlook.
- 4. Product Pricing.
- 5. Personnel Matters and

Compensation Issues.

6. Governors' Executive Session— Discussion of prior agenda items and Board Governance.

Tuesday, July 29 at 8:30 a.m. (Closed)

1. Continuation of Monday's closed session agenda.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Julie S. Moore, Secretary of the Board, U.S. Postal Service, 475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW., Washington, DC 20260–1000,

Julie S. Moore,

Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Telephone (202) 268-4800.

[Release No. 58190/July 18, 2008]

Securities Exchange Act of 1934; Amendment to Emergency Order Pursuant to Section 12(K)(2) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Taking Temporary Action To Respond to Market Developments

Pursuant to Section 12(k)(2) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,1 on July 15, 2008, the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") issued an Emergency Order (the "Order") related to short selling securities of certain specified substantial financial firms.² The Order takes effect on July 21, 2008. The Commission delayed the effective date to create the opportunity to address, and to allow sufficient time for market participants to make, adjustments to their operations to implement the enhanced requirements. The anticipated operational accommodations necessary for implementation of the Order are addressed herein.

A. Bona Fide Market Makers

The borrow and arrangement-to-borrow requirement of the Order does not apply to certain bona fide market makers. (The settlement date delivery requirement of the Order applies to these market makers.) The purpose of this accommodation is to permit market makers to facilitate customer orders in a fast-moving market without possible delays associated with complying with the borrow and arrangement-to-borrow requirement of the Order.

Ît is therefore ordered that, pursuant to our Section 12(k)(2) powers, the

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78*l*(k)(2).

² See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 58166 (July 15, 2008) at http://www.sec.gov/rules/other/2008/34-58166.pdf

following entities are excepted from the requirement of the Order that any person effecting a short sale in the publicly traded securities of substantial financial firms, as identified in Appendix A to the Order ("Appendix A Securities"),3 using the means or instrumentalities of interstate commerce, must borrow or arrange to borrow the security or otherwise have the security available to borrow in its inventory prior to effecting the short sale: Registered market makers, block positioners, or other market makers obligated to quote in the over-thecounter market, that are selling short as part of bona fide market making and hedging activities related directly to bona fide market making in: (a) Appendix A Securities; (b) derivative securities based on Appendix A Securities, including standardized options; and (c) exchange traded funds of which Appendix A Securities are a component.

B. Documentation

Rule 203(b)(1)(iii) of Regulation SHO requires a broker or dealer to document its compliance with the "locate" requirement contained in Rule 203(b)(1)(i) of the regulation.⁴ Brokers and dealers have developed processes and procedures to meet this documentation requirement. Because the borrow or arrangement-to-borrow requirement in the Order constitutes the Commission's "locate" requirement during the effectiveness of the Order, brokers and dealers need not change their processes and procedures used to document compliance.

It is therefore ordered that, pursuant to our Section 12(k)(2) powers, brokers and dealers must document compliance with the borrow and arrangement-to-borrow requirement of the Order and may use the same processes and procedures to document compliance with the Order as used for compliance with Regulation SHO, provided such processes and procedures would comply with Rule 203(b)(1) of Regulation SHO.

C. Sales of Restricted Securities

The Order does not apply to short sales of Appendix A Securities effected pursuant to Rule 144 of the Securities Act of 1933.⁵ This is consistent with Rule 203(b)(2)(ii) of Regulation SHO and will permit the orderly settlement of such sales without the risk of causing market disruption due to unnecessary purchasing activity to meet the settlement date delivery requirement of the Order. Such sales, however, remain subject to the requirements of Regulation SHO.

It is therefore ordered that, pursuant to our Section 12(k)(2) powers, the Order does not apply to any person that effects a short sale pursuant to Rule 144 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR 230.144) in an Appendix A Security.

D. Syndicate Offerings

The Order does not apply to short sales by underwriters, or members of a syndicate or group participating in distributions of Appendix A Securities in connection with an over-allotment of securities, or any lay-off sale by such person in connection with a distribution of Appendix A Securities through a rights or a standby underwriting commitment. It is not necessary for the Order to apply to such selling activity because it is addressed in Regulation M under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,6 an anti-manipulation rule, and does not raise the same concerns as "naked" short selling in secondary markets.

It is therefore ordered that, pursuant to our Section 12(k)(2) powers, the Order does not apply with regard to any sale by an underwriter, or any member of a syndicate or group participating in the distribution of an Appendix A Security, in connection with an overallotment of securities, or any lay-off sale by such person in connection with a distribution of Appendix A Securities through a rights or a standby underwriting commitment. In addition, the Order does not apply with respect to a net syndicate short position created in connection with a distribution of an Appendix A Security that is part of a fail to deliver position at a registered clearing agency in Appendix A Securities if action is taken to close out the net syndicate short position no later than the 30th day after commencement of sales in the distribution.

The Commission believes that these amendments are necessary in the public interest and for the protection of investors to maintain fair and orderly securities markets, and to prevent substantial disruption to securities markets.

By the Commission.

Florence E. Harmon, *Acting Secretary.*

Appendix A

| Company | Ticker symbol(s) |
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| BNP Paribas Bank of America Corporation. | BNPQF or BNPQY. BAC. |
| Barclays PLC | BCS. |
| Citigroup Inc | C. |
| Credit Suisse Group | CS. |
| Daiwa Securities Group Inc. | DSECY. |
| Deutsche Bank Group AG. | DB. |
| Allianz SE | AZ. |
| Goldman, Sachs Group Inc. | GS. |
| Royal Bank ADS | BBS. |
| HSBC Holdings PLC | HBC. |
| ADS. | |
| J. P. Morgan Chase | JPM. |
| & Co. | |
| Lehman Brothers | LEH. |
| Holdings Inc. | |
| Merrill Lynch & Co., | MER. |
| Inc. | MEC |
| Mizuho Financial | MFG. |
| Group, Inc. Morgan Stanley | MS. |
| UBS AG | UBS. |
| Freddie Mac | FRE. |
| Fannie Mae | FNM. |
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Investment Company Act Release No. 28331; 812–13513]

PIMCO Funds, et al.; Notice of Application

July 17, 2008.

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

ACTION: Notice of an application under section 6(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 ("Act") for an exemption from rule 12d1–2(a) under the Act.

SUMMARY OF APPLICATION: Applicants request an order to permit funds of funds relying on rule 12d1–2 under the Act to invest in certain financial instruments.

APPLICANTS: PIMCO Funds, PIMCO Variable Insurance Trust ("PVIT") (collectively, the "Trusts"), Allianz Global Investors Distributors LLC ("AGID") and Pacific Investment Management Company LLC ("PIMCO").

FILING DATES: The application was filed on March 25, 2008, and amended on

³ Appendix A incorrectly referenced "HSI" as a ticker symbol for HSBC Holdings PLC ADS. This reference to HSI is hereby removed from Appendix A. In addition, the reference to BNP Paribas Securities Corp. is hereby changed to BNP Paribas. See Appendix A attached as revised.

⁴Rule 203(b)(1) of Regulation SHO provides: "A broker or dealer may not accept a short sale order in an equity security from another person, or effect a short sale in an equity security for its own account, unless the broker or dealer has: (1) Borrowed the security, or entered into a bona-fide arrangement to borrow the security; or (2) Reasonable grounds to believe that the security can be borrowed so that it can be delivered on the date delivery is due; and (3) Documented compliance with this paragraph (b)(1)." 17 CFR 242.203(b)(1).

⁵ 17 CFR 230.144.

^{6 17} CFR 242.100 et seq.