

exception to the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,
James C. Leonard III,
*Chairman, Committee for the
Implementation of Textile Agreements.*
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**COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING
COMMISSION**

**Agency Information Collection
Activities: Notice of Intent To Renew
Collection 3038-0049, Procedural
Requirements for Requests for
Interpretative, No-Action, and
Exemptive Letters**

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading
Commission.
ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commodity Futures
Trading Commission (CFTC) is
announcing an opportunity for public
comment on the proposed collection of
certain information by the agency.
Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of
1995 (PRA), 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*,
Federal agencies are required to publish
notice in the **Federal Register**
concerning each proposed collection of
information, including each proposed
extension of an existing collection of
information, and to allow 60 days for
public comment in response to the
notice. This notice solicits comments on
requirements relating to procedures for
submitting requests for exemptive, no-
action, and interpretative letters.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on
or before June 7, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to
Christopher W. Cummings, Division of
Clearing and Intermediary Oversight,
U.S. Commodity Futures Trading
Commission, 1155 21st Street, NW.,
Washington, DC 20581.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Christopher W. Cummings, (202) 418-
5445; FAX: (202) 418-5536; e-mail:
ccummings@cftc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the
PRA, Federal agencies must obtain
approval from the Office of Management
and Budget (OMB) for each collection of
information they conduct or sponsor.
“Collection of information” is defined in
44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c)
and includes agency requests or
requirements that members of the public
submit reports, keep records, or provide
information to a third party. Section
3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA, 44 U.S.C.
3506(c)(2)(A), requires Federal agencies
to provide a 60-day notice in the
Federal Register concerning each
proposed collection of information,
including each proposed extension of an
existing collection of information,
before submitting the collection to OMB
for approval. To comply with this
requirement, the CFTC is publishing
notice of the proposed collection of
information listed below.

With respect to the following
collection of information, the CFTC
invites comments on:

- Whether the proposed collection of
information is necessary for the proper

performance of the functions of the
Commission, including whether the
information will have a practical use;

- The accuracy of the Commission’s
estimate of the burden of the proposed
collection of information, including the
validity of the methodology and
assumptions used;

- Ways to enhance the quality,
usefulness, and clarity of the
information to be collected; and

- Ways to minimize the burden of
collection of information on those who
are to respond, including through the
use of appropriate automated electronic,
mechanical, or other technological
collection techniques or other forms of
information technology; *e.g.*, permitting
electronic submission of responses.

**Procedural Requirements for Requests
for Interpretative, No-Action, and
Exemptive Letters, OMB Control
Number 3038-0049—Extension**

Commission Rule 140.99 requires
persons submitting requests for
exemptive, no-action, and interpretative
letters to provide specific written
information, certified as to
completeness and accuracy, and to
update that information to reflect
material changes. The proposed rule
was promulgated pursuant to the
Commission’s rulemaking authority
contained in Section 8a(5) of the
Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C.
12a(5) (1994).

The Commission estimates the burden
of this collection of information as
follows:

ESTIMATED ANNUAL REPORTING BURDEN

| 17 CFR section | Annual number of respondents | Frequency of response | Total annual responses | Hours per response | Total hours |
|---------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------------|-------------|
| 17 CFR 140.99 | 350 | On occasion | 455 | 7.0 | 3,185 |
| 17 CFR 41.41 | 60 | On occasion | 24 | 0.5 | 12 |

There are no capital costs or operating
and maintenance costs associated with
this collection.

This estimate is based on the number
of requests for such letters in the last
three years. Although the burden varies
with the type, size, and complexity of
the request submitted, such request may
involve analytical work and analysis, as
well as the work of drafting the request
itself.

Dated: March 30, 2004.

Jean A. Webb,
Secretary of the Commission.

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**COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING
COMMISSION**

Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND DATE: 2 p.m., Tuesday, April
13, 2004.

PLACE: 1155 21st St., NW., Washington,
DC, Commission Conference Room.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: The
Commission will hold a closed Judicial
Meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jean
A. Webb, 202-418-5100 or *http://
www.cftc.gov.*

Jean A. Webb,
Secretary of the Commission.
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