

*Section 213.3317 Department of Education*

- DBGS00622 Confidential Assistant to the Executive Director. Effective July 06, 2007.
- DBGS00623 Confidential Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education. Effective July 09, 2007.
- DBGS00625 Confidential Assistant to the Director, Scheduling and Advance Staff. Effective July 20, 2007.
- DBGS00628 Confidential Assistant to the Chief of Staff. Effective July 27, 2007.
- DBGS00627 Confidential Assistant to the Special Assistant. Effective July 30, 2007.

*Section 213.3318 Environmental Protection Agency*

- EPGS07016 Assistant to the Chief of Staff. Effective July 09, 2007.
- EPGS07014 Advance Specialist to the Deputy Chief of Staff (Operations). Effective July 20, 2007.
- EPGS05018 Deputy Associate Administrator for Office of Congressional Affairs to the Associate Administrator for Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations. Effective July 27, 2007.
- EPGS07018 Program Advisor to the Associate Administrator for Public Affairs. Effective July 30, 2007.

*Section 213.3331 Department of Energy*

- DEGS00601 Policy Advisor to the Deputy Assistant Secretary. Effective July 05, 2007.
- DEGS00602 Special Assistant to the Deputy Assistant Secretary. Effective July 05, 2007.
- DEGS00606 Deputy Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management and Budget to the Assistant Secretary for Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs. Effective July 23, 2007.

*Section 213.3337 General Services Administration*

- GSGS60069 Events Management Specialist to the Deputy Associate Administrator for Communications. Effective July 06, 2007.
- GSGS00079 Special Assistant to the Regional Administrator, Region 2, New York. Effective July 10, 2007.
- GSGS00167 Confidential Assistant to the Chief of Staff. Effective July 25, 2007.

*Section 213.3344 Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission*

- SHGS00002 Confidential Assistant to the Commission Member (Chairman). Effective July 17, 2007.

*Section 213.3348 National Aeronautics and Space Administration*

- NNGS30116 White House Liaison to the Administrator. Effective July 11, 2007.

*Section 213.3379 Commodity Futures Trading Commission*

- CTOT60002 Administrative Assistant to the Chairperson. Effective July 30, 2007.

*Section 213.3384 Department of Housing and Urban Development*

- DUGS60517 Regional Director to the Assistant Deputy Secretary for Field Policy and Management. Effective July 17, 2007.

*Section 213.3394 Department of Transportation*

- DTGS60372 Deputy Assistant Secretary for Governmental Affairs. Effective July 24, 2007.

**Authority:** 5 U.S.C. 3301 and 3302; E.O. 10577, 3 CFR 1954-1958 Comp., p. 218.

U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

**Howard Weizmann,**

*Deputy Director.*

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**UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE BOARD OF GOVERNORS****Sunshine Act Meeting**

**DATES AND TIMES:** Monday, September 24, 2007, at 9 a.m.; Tuesday, September 25, 2007, at 12:30 p.m.; and Wednesday, September 26, 2007, at 8:30 a.m.

**PLACES:** Potomac, Maryland, at the Bolger Center, 9600 Newbridge Drive; and Washington, DC, at U.S. Postal Service Headquarters, 475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW., in the Benjamin Franklin Room.

**STATUS:** September 24—9 a.m.—Closed; September 25—12:30 p.m.—Closed; September 26—8:30 a.m.—Open.

**Matters to be Considered**

*Monday, September 24 at 9 a.m. (Closed) at Bolger Center*

1. Strategic Issues.
2. Financial Update.
3. Fiscal Year 2008 Integrated Financial Plan Briefing.
4. Office of Inspector General Fiscal Year 2008 Budget.
5. Rate Case Update.
6. Labor Negotiations Update.
7. Personnel Matters and Compensation Issues.
8. Governors' Executive Session—Discussion of prior agenda items and Board Governance.

*Tuesday, September 25 at 12:30 p.m. (Closed) at USPS Headquarters*

1. Continuation of Monday's closed session agenda.

*Wednesday, September 26 at 8:30 a.m. (Open) at USPS Headquarters*

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting, August 7-8, 2007.
2. Remarks of the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Board.
3. Remarks of the Postmaster General and CEO Jack Potter.
4. Committee Reports.
5. Board of Governors Calendar Year 2008 and 2009 Schedule.
6. Office of the Governors Fiscal Year 2008 Budget.
7. Postal Regulatory Commission Fiscal Year 2008 Budget.
8. Consideration of Fiscal Year 2008 Operating and Capital Plans—FY 2008 Integrated Financial Plan.
9. Tentative Fiscal Year 2009 Appropriation Request.
10. Capital Investments.
  - a. Perris, California, Delivery Distribution Center.
  - b. Miami, Florida, Mail Processing Facility.
11. Tentative Agenda for the November 14-15, 2007, meeting in Washington, DC.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Wendy A. Hocking, Esq., Secretary of the Board, U.S. Postal Service, 475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW., Washington, DC 20260-1000. Telephone (202) 268-4800.

**Wendy A. Hocking,**

*Secretary.*

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION****Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Investor Education and Advocacy, Washington, DC 20549-0213.

*Extension:*

Rule 17a-3; SEC File No. 270-026; OMB Control No. 3235-0033.

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") intends to submit to the Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") a request for extension of the previously approved collection of information discussed below. The Code

of Federal Regulations citation to this collection of information: 17 CFR 240.17a-3.

Rule 17a-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*) establishes minimum standards with respect to business records that broker-dealers registered with the Commission must make and keep current. These records are maintained by the broker-dealer (in accordance with a separate rule), so they can be used by the broker-dealer and reviewed by Commission examiners, as well as other regulatory authority examiners, during inspections of the broker-dealer.

The collections of information included in Rule 17a-3 is necessary to provide Commission, self-regulatory organizations and state examiners to conduct effective and efficient examinations to determine whether broker-dealers are complying with relevant laws, rules, and regulations. If broker-dealers were not required to create these baseline, standardized records, Commission, self-regulatory organizations and state examiners could be unable to determine whether broker-dealers are in compliance with the Commission's antifraud and anti-manipulation rules, financial responsibility program, and other Commission, self-regulatory organizations, and State laws, rules, and regulations.

As of July 30, 2007 there were 5,850 broker-dealers registered with the Commission. The Commission estimates that these broker-dealer respondents incur a total burden of 2,984,760 hours per year to comply with Rule 17a-3. Approximately 1,524,210 of those hours are attributable to Rule 17a-3(a)(17), and about 1,460,550 hours are attributable to the rest of Rule 17a-3. Rule 17a-3(a)(17) contains requirements to provide customers with account information (approximately 975,809 hours) and requirements to update customer account information (approximately 548,401 hours).

In addition, Rule 17a-3 contains ongoing operation and maintenance costs for broker-dealers including the cost of postage to provide customers with account information, and costs for equipment and systems development. The Commission estimates that under Rule 17a-3(a)(17), approximately 36,365,553 customers will need to be provided with information regarding their account on a yearly basis. The Commission estimates that the postage costs associated with providing those customers with copies of their account record information would be approximately \$8,176,435 per year

(28,390,400 × \$0.288).<sup>1</sup> Based on comments provided in response to the 2001 Amendments (as adjusted to account for inflation), the staff believes that the ongoing equipment and systems development costs relating to Rule 17a-3 for the industry would be about \$23,362,847 per year. Consequently, the total cost burden associated with Rule 17a-3 would be approximately \$31,539,282 per year.

Written comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted in writing within 60 days of this publication.

Comments should be directed to: R. Corey Booth, Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, C/O Shirley Martinson, 6432 General Green Way, Alexandria, Virginia 22312 or send an e-mail to: [PRA\\_Mailbox@sec.gov](mailto:PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov). Comments must be submitted within 60 days of this notice.

Dated: September 17, 2007.

**Florence E. Harmon,**  
*Deputy Secretary.*

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

### Proposed Collection; Comment Request

*Upon Written Request, Copy Available From:* Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Investor Education and Advocacy, Washington, DC 20549-0213.

#### Extension:

Form N-14, SEC File No. 270-297, OMB Control No. 3235-0336.

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the Securities

<sup>1</sup> Estimates of postage costs are derived from past conversations with industry representatives and have been adjusted to account for inflation.

and Exchange Commission ("Commission") is soliciting comments on the collection of information summarized below. The Commission plans to submit this existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for extension and approval.

Form N-14 (17 CFR 239.23)—Registration Statement Under the Securities Act of 1933 for Securities Issued in Business Combination Transactions by Investment Companies and Business Development Companies. Form N-14 is used by investment companies registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-1 *et seq.*) ("Investment Company Act") and business development companies as defined by Section 2(a)(48) of the Investment Company Act to register securities under the Securities Act of 1933 (15 U.S.C. 77a *et seq.*) to be issued in business combination transactions specified in rule 145(a) (17 CFR 230.145(a)) and exchange offers. The securities are registered under the Securities Act to ensure that investors receive the material information necessary to evaluate securities issued in business combination transactions. The Commission staff reviews registration statements on Form N-14 for the adequacy and accuracy of the disclosure contained therein. Without Form N-14, the Commission would be unable to verify compliance with securities law requirements. The respondents to the collection of information are investment companies or business development companies issuing securities in business combination transactions. The estimated number of responses is 375 and the collection occurs only when a merger or other business combination is planned. The estimated total annual reporting burden of the collection of information is approximately 620 hours per response for a new registration statement, and approximately 350 hours per response for an amended Form N-14, for a total of 196,050 annual burden hours.

Written comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the Commission's mission, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information