

## SUPPORTING STATEMENT FOR REGULATION S-K

### A. Justification

#### 1. Necessity of Information Collection

Regulation S-K specifies uniform disclosure requirements applicable to registration statements under the Securities Act of 1933; registration statements under Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, periodic reports under Sections 13 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act, going-private transaction and tender offer statements under Section 13 and 14 of the Exchange Act and proxy and information statements under Section 14 of the Exchange Act.

#### 2. Purposes of, and Consequences of not Requiring, the Information Collection

The purpose of the information collection is to provide a uniform disclosure regulation under the Securities Act and the Exchange Act. The information collected is designed to provide material information to investors and security holders to enable them to make informed investment and voting decisions.

#### 3. Use of Electronic Media

All of the forms and schedules that require Regulation S-K disclosure are filed electronically using the Commission's Electronic Data Gathering, Analysis, and Retrieval ("EDGAR") system.

#### 4. Duplication

The disclosure does not duplicate, overlap, or conflict with other federal rules.

#### 5. Effect on Small Entities

Regulation S-K does not directly impose any collection requirements and has no effect on small entities in terms of information collection requirements.

#### 6. Consequences of Less Frequent Collection

Regulation S-K does not directly impose any collection requirement.

#### 7. Inconsistencies with Guidelines in 5 C.F.R. 1320.6

Not Applicable.

#### 8. Consultation Outside the Agency

Regulation S-K notice was published for public comment. No comments were received on this request prior to OMB's review of this submission.

#### 9. Payment or Gift to Respondent

Not Applicable.

10. Assurance of Confidentiality

Not Applicable.

11. Sensitive Questions

Not Applicable.

12. Estimate of Respondent Reporting Burden

Regulation S-K is assigned one burden hour for administrative convenience. The burdens are reflected in the forms containing Regulation S-K disclosure.

13. Estimate of Total Annualized Cost Burden

Not Applicable.

14. Estimate Cost to the Federal Government

Not Applicable.

15. Explanation of Change in Burden

Not Applicable.

16. Information Collection Planned for Statistical Purposes

Not Applicable.

17. Explanation as to Why Expiration Date Will Not Be Displayed

Not Applicable.

18. Exception to Certification

Not Applicable.

B. Collection of Information Employing Statistical Data

Not Applicable.