

SUPPORTING STATEMENT FOR REGULATION S-K

This supporting statement is part of a submission under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. §3501, et seq.

A. Justification

1. Circumstances Making the Collection of Information Necessary

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 and Use of 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. Consideration Given to Information Technology

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 of Information

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

5. Reducing the Burden 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 Not Conducting Collection

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

7. Special Circumstances

Not Applicable.

8. Consultations with Persons 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 Respondents

Not Applicable.

10. 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. Costs to Federal Government

Not Applicable.

15. Reason for Change in Burden

Not Applicable.

16. Information Collection Planned for Statistical Purposes

Not Applicable.

17. Display of OMB Approval Date

We request authorization to omit the expiration date on the electronic version of this form for design and scheduling reasons. The OMB control number will be displayed.

18. Exceptions to Certification for Paperwork Reduction Act Submissions

Not Applicable.

B. Statistical Methods

Not Applicable.