SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

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Extension: Rule 19d-1

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Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 <u>et seq</u>.) ("PRA"), the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") is soliciting comments on the existing collection of information provided for in Rule 19d-1 (17 CFR 240.19d-1) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a <u>et seq</u>.) ("Exchange Act"). The Commission plans to submit this existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget) ("OMB") for extension and approval.

Rule 19d-1 prescribes the form and content of notices to be filed with the Commission by self-regulatory organizations ("SROs") for which the Commission is the appropriate regulatory agency concerning the following final SRO actions: (1) disciplinary actions with respect to any person; (2) denial, bar, prohibition, or limitation of membership, participation or association with a member or of access to services offered by an SRO or member thereof; (3) summarily suspending a member, participant, or person associated with a member, or summarily limiting or prohibiting any persons with respect to access to or services offered by the SRO or a member thereof; and (4) delisting a security.

The Rule enables the Commission to obtain reports from the SROs containing information regarding SRO determinations to delist a security, discipline members or associated persons of members, deny membership or participation or association with a member, and similar adjudicated findings. The Rule requires that such actions be promptly reported to the Commission. The Rule also requires that the reports and notices supply sufficient information regarding the background, factual basis and issues involved in the proceeding to enable the Commission: (1) to determine whether the matter should be called up for review on the Commission's own motion; and (2) to ascertain generally whether the SRO has adequately carried out its responsibilities under the Exchange Act.

It is estimated that approximately eighteen respondents will utilize this application procedure annually, and will file approximately 1,350 submissions, based upon recent data. The Commission estimates that the average number of hours necessary to comply with the requirements of Rule 19d-1 for each submission is 1 hour. The total annual burden for all respondents is thus 1,350 hours. The Commission estimates that the internal compliance cost per respondent is approximately \$298 per response. The annual internal cost of compliance for all respondents is thus approximately \$402,300 (18 respondents x 75 responses x \$298 per response).

Written comments are invited on: (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's estimates of the burden of the proposed 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

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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.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information under the PRA unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Please direct your written comments to: Charles Riddle, Acting Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, c/o Candace Kenner, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549 or send an e-mail to: PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov.

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