

and development programs to advance sustainable chemistry practice in the United States. Comments are also requested on how the definition of “sustainable chemistry” relates to the common usage of “green chemistry” and whether these terms should be synonymous, exclusive, complementary, or if one should be incorporated into the other.

2. *Technologies that would benefit from Federal attention to move society toward more sustainable chemistry:* What technologies/sectors stand to benefit most from progress in sustainable chemistry or require prioritized investment? Why? What mature technology areas, if any, should be lower priority?

3. *Fundamental research areas:* What fundamental and emerging research areas require increased attention, investment, and/or priority focus to support innovation toward sustainable chemistry (e.g., catalysis, separations, toxicity, biodegradation, thermodynamics, kinetics, life-cycle analysis, market forces, public awareness, tax credits, etc.). What Federal research area might you regard as mature/robustly covered, or which Federal programs would benefit from increased prioritization?

Ancillary topics regarding the definition:

4. *Potential outcome and output metrics based on the definition of sustainable chemistry:* What outcomes and output metrics will provide OSTP the ability to prioritize initiatives and measure their success? How does one determine the effectiveness of the definition of sustainable chemistry? What are the quantitative features characteristic of sustainable chemistry?

5. *Financial and economic considerations for advancing sustainable chemistry:* How are financial and economic factors considered (e.g., competitiveness, externalized costs), assessed (e.g., economic models, full life cycle management tools) and implemented (e.g., economic infrastructure).

6. *Policy considerations for advancing sustainable chemistry:* What changes in policy could the Federal government make to improve and/or promote sustainable chemistry?

7. *Investment considerations when prioritizing Federal initiatives for study:* What issues, consequences, and priorities are not necessarily covered under the definition of sustainable chemistry, but should be considered when investing in initiatives? Public Law 114–329, discussed in the background section above, includes the

phrase: “*support viable long-term solutions to a significant number of challenges*”. OSTP expects the final definition of sustainable chemistry to strongly consider resource conservation and other environmentally focused issues. For example, national security, jobs, funding models, partnership models, critical industries, and environmental justice considerations may all incur consequences from implementation of sustainable chemistry initiatives such as dematerialization, or the reduction of quantities of materials needed to serve and economic function.

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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**Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Extension: Rule 6a–3**

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Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (“PRA”) (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (“OMB”) a request for extension of the previously approved collection of information provided for in Rule 6a–3 (17 CFR 240.6a–3) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*) (“Act”).

Section 6 of the Act sets out a framework for the registration and regulation of national securities exchanges. Under Rule 6a–3, one of the rules that implements Section 6, a national securities exchange (or an exchange exempted from registration based on limited trading volume) must provide certain supplemental information to the Commission, including any material (including notices, circulars, bulletins, lists, and periodicals) issued or made generally available to members of, or participants or subscribers to, the exchange. Rule 6a–3 also requires the exchanges to file monthly reports that set forth the

volume and aggregate dollar amount of certain securities sold on the exchange each month. The information required to be filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 6a–3 is designed to enable the Commission to carry out its statutorily mandated oversight functions and to ensure that registered and exempt exchanges continue to be in compliance with the Act.

The Commission estimates that each respondent makes approximately 12 such filings on an annual basis. Each response takes approximately 0.5 hours. In addition, respondents incur shipping costs of approximately \$20 per submission. Currently, 24 respondents (24 national securities exchanges) are subject to the collection of information requirements of Rule 6a–3. The Commission estimates that the total burden for all respondents is 144 hours and \$5,760 per year.

Compliance with Rule 6a–3 is mandatory for registered and exempt exchanges. Information received in response to Rule 6a–3 shall not be kept confidential; the information collected is public information. As set forth in Rule 17a–1 (17 CFR 240.17a–1) under the Act, a national securities exchange is required to retain records of the collection of information for at least five years.

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