

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Extension: Order Granting a Conditional Exemption Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 From the Confirmation Requirements of Exchange Act Rule 10b–10(a) for Certain Transactions in Money Market Funds

*Upon Written Request, Copies Available From:* Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of FOIA Services, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549–2736

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 approval of extension of the previously approved collection of information provided for in the following: Order Granting a Conditional Exemption under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 from the Confirmation Requirements of Exchange Act Rule 10b–10(a) for Certain Transactions in Money Market Funds (17 CFR 240.10b–10(a)).

Rule 10b–10 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Exchange Act”) (15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*) generally requires broker-dealers to provide customers with specified information relating to their securities transactions at or before the completion of the transactions. Rule 10b–10(b), however, provides an exception from this requirement for certain transactions in money market funds that attempt to maintain a stable net asset value when no sales load or redemption fee is charged. The exception permits broker-dealers to provide transaction information to money market fund shareholders on a monthly, rather than immediate, basis, subject to the conditions. Amendments to Rule 2a–7 (17 CFR 270.2a–7) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (“Investment Company Act”) (15 U.S.C. 80a–1 *et seq.*) among other things, means, absent an exemption, broker-dealers would not be able to continue to rely on the exception under Exchange Act Rule 10b–10(b) for transactions in money market funds operating in accordance with Investment Company Act Rule 2a–7(c)(1)(ii).<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> See generally Money Market Fund Reform; Amendments to Form PF, Securities Act Release No. 9408, Investment Advisers Act Release No. 3616, Investment Company Act Release No. 30551

In 2015, the Commission issued an Order Granting a Conditional Exemption under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 From The Confirmation Requirements of Exchange Act Rule 10b–10(a) For Certain Transactions In Money Market Funds (“Order”)<sup>2</sup> which allows broker-dealers, subject to certain conditions, to provide transaction information to investors in any money market fund operating pursuant to Investment Company Act Rule 2a–7(c)(1)(ii) on a monthly basis in lieu of providing immediate confirmations as required under Exchange Act Rule 10b–10(a) (“the Exemption”). Accordingly, to be eligible for the Exemption, a broker-dealer must (1) provide an initial written notification to the customer of its ability to request delivery of immediate confirmations consistent with the written notification requirements of Exchange Act Rule 10b–10(a), and (2) not receive any such request to receive immediate confirms from the customer.

As of December 31, 2023, the Commission estimates there are approximately 206 broker-dealers that clear customer transactions or carry customer funds and securities who would be responsible for providing customer confirmations. The Commission estimates that the cost of the ongoing notification requirements would be minimal, approximately 5% of the initial burden which was previously estimated to be 36 hours per broker-dealer, or approximately 1.8 hours per broker-dealer per year to provide ongoing notifications or a total burden of approximately 371 hours annually for the 206 carrying broker-dealers.

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.

*Written comments are invited on:* (a) whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden imposed by 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

(June 5, 2013), 78 FR 36834, 36934 (June 19, 2013); see also Exchange Act Rule 10b–10(b)(1), 17 CFR 240.10b–10(b)(1) (limiting alternative monthly reporting to money market funds that attempt to maintain a stable NAV).

<sup>2</sup> See Order Granting a Conditional Exemption Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 From the Confirmation Requirements of Exchange Act Rule 10b–10(a) for Certain Transactions in Money Market Funds, Exchange Act Release No. 34–76480 (Nov. 19, 2015), 80 FR 73849 (Nov. 25, 2015).

collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

The public may view and comment on this information collection request at: [https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref\\_nbr=202411-3235-005](https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref_nbr=202411-3235-005) or send an email comment to [MBX.OMB.OIRA.SEC\\_desk\\_officer@omb.eop.gov](mailto:MBX.OMB.OIRA.SEC_desk_officer@omb.eop.gov) within 30 days of the day after publication of this notice by March 31, 2025.

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Extension: Rule 17a–8

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Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520), the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Commission”) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (“OMB”) a request for extension of the previously approved collection of information discussed below.

Rule 17a–8 (17 CFR 270.17a–8) under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the “Act”) (15 U.S.C. 80a–1 *et seq.*) is entitled “Mergers of affiliated companies.” Rule 17a–8 exempts certain mergers and similar business combinations (“mergers”) of affiliated registered investment companies (“funds”) from prohibitions under section 17(a) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 80a–17(a)) on purchases and sales between a fund and its affiliates. The rule requires fund directors to consider certain issues and to record their findings in board minutes. The rule requires the directors of any fund merging with an unregistered entity to approve procedures for the valuation of assets received from that entity. These procedures must provide for the preparation of a report by an independent evaluator that sets forth the fair value of each such asset for which market quotations are not readily available. The rule also requires a fund