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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[OMB Control No. 3235-0507]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Extension: Rule 19b-5 and Form PILOT

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 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC or "Commission") is submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) this request for extension of the proposed collection of information provided for in Rule 19b-5 (17 CFR 240.19b-5) and Form PILOT (17 CFR 249.821) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Exchange Act") (15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*).

Rule 19b-5 provides a temporary exemption from the rule-filing requirements of Section 19(b) of the Exchange Act (15 U.S.C. 78s(b)) to self-regulatory organizations ("SROs") wishing to establish and operate pilot trading systems. Rule 19b-5 permits an SRO to develop a pilot trading system and to begin operation of such system shortly after submitting an initial report on Form PILOT to the SEC. During operation of any such pilot trading system, the SRO must submit quarterly reports of the system's operation to the SEC, as well as timely amendments describing any material changes to the system. Within two years of operating such pilot trading system under the exemption afforded by Rule 19b-5, the SRO must submit a rule filing pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Exchange Act (15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2)) to obtain permanent approval of the pilot trading system from the SEC.

The collection of information is designed to allow the SEC to maintain an accurate record of all new pilot trading systems operated by SROs and to determine whether an SRO has properly availed itself of the exemption afforded by Rule 19b-5, is operating a pilot trading system in compliance with the Exchange Act, and is carrying out its statutory oversight obligations under the Exchange Act.

The respondents to the collection of information are national securities exchanges and national securities associations.

There are 29 SROs which could avail themselves of the exemption under Rule 19b-5 and the use of Form PILOT. The SEC estimates that approximately one of these SROs each year will file on Form PILOT one initial report (*i.e.*, 1 report total, for an estimated annual burden of 24 hours total), four quarterly reports (*i.e.*, 4 reports total, for an estimated annual burden of 12 hours total (3 hours per report)), and two amendments (*i.e.*, 2 reports total, for an estimated annual burden of 6 hours total (3 hours per report)). Thus, the estimated annual time burden resulting from Form PILOT is 42 hours for the estimated sole SRO respondent. The SEC estimates that the aggregate annual internal cost of compliance for the sole SRO respondent is approximately \$15,890 (42 hours at an average of \$378.33 per hour). In addition, the SEC estimates that the sole SRO respondent will incur, in the aggregate, printing, supplies, copying, and postage expenses of \$2,516 per year for filing initial reports, \$1,256 per year for filing quarterly reports, and \$628 per year for filing notices of material systems changes, for a total annual cost burden of \$4,400.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB Control Number.

The public may view and comment on this information collection request at: https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref_nbr=202512-3235-026 or email comment to MBX.OMB.OIRA.SEC_desk_officer@omb.eop.gov within 30 days of the day after publication of this notice, by April 6, 2026.

Dated: February 27, 2026.

Sherry R. Haywood,

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[OMB Control No. 3235-0256]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Extension: Form F-3 Registration Statement

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 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget this request for extension of the previously approved collection of information discussed below.

Form F-3 (17 CFR 239.33) is used by foreign issuers to register securities pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933 (15 U.S.C. 77a *et seq.*). The information collected is intended to ensure the adequacy of information available to investors in connection with securities offerings. The information required by Form F-3 is mandatory, and Form F-3 is publicly available on the Commission's Electronic Data Gathering, Analysis, and Retrieval ("EDGAR") system. We estimate that Form F-3 takes approximately 153.42 hours per response and is filed once per year by approximately 236 issuers, for a total of approximately 236 responses annually. We estimate that 25% of the 153.42 hours per response is carried internally by the issuer for annual reporting burden of 9,052 hours ((25% × 153.42 hours per response) × 236 responses). We estimate that 75% of the 153.42 hours per response is carried externally by outside professionals retained by the issuer at an estimated rate of \$600 per hour for a total annual cost burden of \$16,293,204 ((75% × 153.42 hours per response) × \$600 per hour × 236 responses).

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