

provisions of Section 12(d) of the Act and Rule 12d2–2 thereunder.<sup>3</sup> During the continuance of such suspension under Rule 12d2–1, the exchange is required to notify the Commission promptly of any change in the reasons for the suspension. Upon the restoration to trading of any security suspended under Rule 12d2–1, the exchange must notify the Commission promptly of the effective date of such restoration.

The trading suspension notices serve a number of purposes. First, they inform the Commission that an exchange has suspended from trading a listed security or reintroduced trading in a previously suspended security. They also provide the Commission with information necessary for it to determine that the suspension has been accomplished in accordance with the rules of the exchange, and to verify that the exchange has not evaded the requirements of Section 12(d) of the Act and Rule 12d2–2 thereunder by improperly employing a trading suspension. Without Rule 12d2–1, the Commission would be unable to fully implement these statutory responsibilities.

There are 24 national securities exchanges<sup>4</sup> that are subject to Rule 12d2–1. The burden of complying with Rule 12d2–1 is not evenly distributed among the exchanges, however, since there are many more securities listed on the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., the NASDAQ Stock Market, and NYSE American LLC than on the other exchanges.<sup>5</sup> There are approximately 878 responses<sup>6</sup> under Rule 12d2–1 for the purpose of suspension of trading from the national securities exchanges each year, and the resultant aggregate annual reporting hour burden would be, assuming on average one-half reporting hour per response, 439 annual burden hours for all exchanges. The related internal compliance costs associated

with these burden hours are \$98,354 per year.

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 will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of 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 collection of information 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: David Bottom, Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, c/o Cynthia Roscoe, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549, or send an email to: [PRA\\_Mailbox@sec.gov](mailto:PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov).

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**J. Matthew DeLesDernier,**

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[SEC File No. 270–348, OMB Control No. 3235–0394]

### Proposed Collection; Comment Request

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

#### Extension:

Rule 15g–5

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”) is soliciting comments on the existing collection of information provided for in Rule 15g–5—Disclosure of Compensation to Associated Persons in Connection with Penny Stock Transactions—(17 CFR 240.15g–5) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*). The Commission plans to submit this

existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget (“OMB”) for extension and approval.

Rule 15g–5 requires brokers and dealers to disclose to customers the amount of compensation to be received by their sales agents in connection with penny stock transactions. The purpose of the rule is to increase the level of disclosure to investors concerning penny stocks generally and specific penny stock transactions.

The Commission estimates that approximately 178 broker-dealers will spend an average of approximately 87 hours annually to comply with the rule. Thus, the total time burden is approximately 15,486 hours per year.

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 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.

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 11475]

### 60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Six Directorate of Defense Trade Controls (DDTC) Information Collections

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comments.

<sup>3</sup> Rule 12d2–2 prescribes the circumstances under which a security may be delisted from an exchange and withdrawn from registration under Section 12(b) of the Act, and provides the procedures for taking such action.

<sup>4</sup> The Exchanges are BOX Exchange LLC, Cboe BYX Exchange, Inc., Cboe BZX Exchange, Inc., Cboe C2 Exchange, Inc., Cboe EDGA Exchange, Inc., Cboe EDGX Exchange, Inc., Cboe Exchange, Inc., Investors Exchange LLC, Long Term Stock Exchange, Inc., MEMX, LLC, Miami International Securities Exchange, MIAIX Emerald, LLC, MIAIX PEARL, LLC, Nasdaq BX, Inc., Nasdaq GEMX, LLC, Nasdaq ISE, LLC, Nasdaq MRX, LLC, Nasdaq PHLX LLC, The Nasdaq Stock Market, New York Stock Exchange LLC, NYSE Arca, Inc., NYSE Chicago, Inc., NYSE American LLC, NYSE National, Inc.

<sup>5</sup> In fact, some exchanges do not file any trading suspension reports in a given year.

<sup>6</sup> The 878 figure was calculated by averaging the numbers for compliance in 2019 and 2020, which are 822 and 933, respectively.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of State is seeking Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the information collections described below. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we are requesting comments on these collections from all interested individuals and organizations. The purpose of this notice is to allow 60 days for public comment preceding submission of the collections to OMB.

**DATES:** The Department will accept comments from the public up to October 1, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- *Web:* Persons with access to the internet may comment on this notice by going to [www.Regulations.gov](http://www.Regulations.gov). You can search for the document by entering "Docket Number: DOS-2021-0018" in the Search field. Then click the "Comment Now" button and complete the comment form.

- *Email:* [DDTCPublicComments@state.gov](mailto:DDTCPublicComments@state.gov).

- *Regular Mail:* Send written comments to: Andrea Battista, SA-1, 12th Floor, Directorate of Defense Trade Controls, Bureau of Political Military Affairs, U.S. Department of State, Washington, DC 20522-0112.

You must include the DS form number (if applicable), information collection title, and the OMB control number in any correspondence.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Direct requests for additional information regarding the collection listed in this notice, including requests for copies of the proposed collection instrument and supporting documents, to Andrea Battista, SA-1, 12th Floor, Directorate of Defense Trade Controls, Bureau of Political Military Affairs, U.S. Department of State, Washington, DC 20522-0112, via phone at (202) 663-3136, or via email at [battistaal@state.gov](mailto:battistaal@state.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

- *Title of Information Collection:* Application/License for Permanent Export of Unclassified Defense Articles and Related Unclassified Technical Data.

- *OMB Control Number:* 1405-0003.

- *Type of Request:* Extension of a Currently Approved Collection.

- *Originating Office:* Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Directorate of Defense Trade Controls, PM/DDTC.

- *Form Number:* DSP-5.

- *Respondents:* Business, Nonprofit Organizations, and Individuals.

- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 1,668.

- *Estimated Number of Responses:* 19,210.

- *Average Time per Response:* 1 hour.
- *Total Estimated Burden Time:* 19,210 hours.

- *Frequency:* On Occasion.

- *Obligation to Respond:* Required to Obtain or Retain a Benefit.

- *Title of Information Collection:* Application/License for Temporary Import of Unclassified Defense Articles.

- *OMB Control Number:* 1405-0013.

- *Type of Request:* Extension of Currently Approved Collection.

- *Originating Office:* Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Directorate of Defense Trade Controls, PM/DDTC.

- *Form Number:* DSP-61.

- *Respondents:* Business, Nonprofit Organizations, and Individuals.

- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 141.

- *Estimated Number of Responses:* 578.

- *Average Time per Response:* 30 minutes.

- *Total Estimated Burden Time:* 289 hours.

- *Frequency:* On Occasion.

- *Obligation to Respond:* Required in Order to Obtain or Retain Benefits.

- *Title of Information Collection:* Application/License for Permanent/Temporary Export or Temporary Import of Classified Defense Articles and Related Classified Technical Data.

- *OMB Control Number:* 1405-0022.

- *Type of Request:* Extension of Currently Approved Collection.

- *Originating Office:* Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Directorate of Defense Trade Controls, PM/DDTC.

- *Form Number:* DSP-85.

- *Respondents:* Business, Nonprofit Organizations, and Individuals.

- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 64.

- *Estimated Number of Responses:* 277.

- *Average Time per Response:* 30 minutes.

- *Total Estimated Burden Time:* 138.5 hours.

- *Frequency:* On Occasion.

- *Obligation to Respond:* Required in Order to Obtain or Retain Benefits.

- *Title of Information Collection:* Application/License for Temporary Export of Unclassified Defense Articles.

- *OMB Control Number:* 1405-0023.

- *Type of Request:* Extension of Currently Approved Collection.

- *Originating Office:* Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Directorate of Defense Trade Controls, PM/DDTC.

- *Form Number:* DSP-73.

- *Respondents:* Business and Nonprofit Organizations.

- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 339.

- *Estimated Number of Responses:* 2,196.

- *Average Time per Response:* 1 hour.
- *Total Estimated Burden Time:* 2,196 hours.

- *Frequency:* On Occasion.

- *Obligation to Respond:* Required in Order to Obtain or Retain Benefits.

- *Title of Information Collection:* Application for Amendment to License for Export or Import of Classified or Unclassified Defense Articles and Related Classified Technical Data.

- *OMB Control Number:* 1405-0092.

- *Type of Request:* Extension of Currently Approved Collection.

- *Originating Office:* Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Directorate of Defense Trade Controls, PM/DDTC.

- *Form Number:* DSP-6; DSP-62; DSP-74.

- *Respondents:* Business, Nonprofit Organizations, and Individuals.

- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 440.

- *Estimated Number of Responses:* 1,742.

- *Average Time per Response:* 30 minutes.

- *Total Estimated Burden Time:* 871 hours.

- *Frequency:* On Occasion.

- *Obligation to Respond:* Required in Order to Obtain or Retain Benefits.

- *Title of Information Collection:* Nontransfer and Use Certificate.

- *OMB Control Number:* 1405-0021.

- *Type of Request:* Extension of Currently Approved Collection.

- *Originating Office:* Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Directorate of Defense Trade Controls, PM/DDTC.

- *Form Number:* DSP-83.

- *Respondents:* Business, Nonprofit Organizations, and Individuals.

- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 675.

- *Estimated Number of Responses:* 675.

- *Average Time per Response:* 1 hour.
- *Total Estimated Burden Time:* 675 hours.

- *Frequency:* On Occasion.

- *Obligation to Respond:* Required in Order to Obtain or Retain Benefits.

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department.

- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.

- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.

- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that comments submitted in response to this Notice are public record. Before including any detailed personal information, you should be aware that your comments as submitted, including your personal information, will be available for public review.

#### Abstract of Proposed Collections

The export, temporary import, and brokering of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services are authorized by the Department of State, Directorate of Defense Trade Controls (DDTC) in accordance with the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (“ITAR,” 22 CFR parts 120–130) and section 38 of the Arms Export Control Act. Those who manufacture, broker, export, or temporarily import defense articles, including technical data, or defense services must register with the Department of State and obtain a decision from the Department as to whether it is in the interests of U.S. foreign policy and national security to approve covered transactions. Also, registered brokers must submit annual reports regarding all brokering activity that was transacted, and registered manufacturers and exporter must maintain records of defense trade activities for five years.

- *1405–0003, Application/License for Permanent Export of Unclassified Defense Articles and Related Unclassified Technical Data:* In accordance with part 123 of the ITAR, any person who intends to permanently export unclassified defense articles or unclassified technical data must obtain authorization from DDTC prior to export. “Application/License for Permanent Export of Unclassified Defense Articles and Related Unclassified Technical Data” (Form DSP–5) is the licensing vehicle typically used to obtain permission for the permanent export of unclassified defense articles, including unclassified technical data, enumerated on the USML. This form is an application that, when completed and approved by PM/DDTC, Department of State, constitutes the official record and authorization for the permanent commercial export of unclassified U.S. Munitions List articles, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act and the International Traffic in Arms Regulations.

- *1405–0013, Application/License for Temporary Import of Unclassified Defense Articles:* In accordance with part 123 of the ITAR, any person who

intends to temporarily import unclassified defense articles must obtain DDTC authorization prior to import. “Application/License for Temporary Import of Unclassified Defense Articles” (Form DSP–61) is the licensing vehicle typically used to obtain permission for the temporary import of unclassified defense articles covered by USML. This form is an application that, when completed and approved by PM/DDTC, Department of State, constitutes the official record and authorization for the temporary commercial import of unclassified U.S. Munitions List articles, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act and the International Traffic in Arms Regulations.

- *1405–0022, Application/License for Permanent/Temporary Export or Temporary Import of Classified Defense Articles and Related Classified Technical Data:* In accordance with part 123 of the ITAR, any person who intends to permanently export, temporarily export, or temporarily import classified defense articles, including classified technical data must first obtain DDTC authorization. “Application/License for Permanent/Temporary Export or Temporary Import of Classified Defense Articles and Related Classified Technical Data” (Form DSP–85) is used to obtain permission for the permanent export, temporary export, or temporary import of classified defense articles, including classified technical data, covered by the USML. This form is an application that, when completed and approved by PM/DDTC, Department of State, constitutes the official record and authorization for all classified commercial defense trade transactions, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act and the International Traffic in Arms Regulations.

- *1405–0023, Application/License for Temporary Export of Unclassified Defense Articles:* In accordance with part 123 of the ITAR, any person who intends to temporarily export unclassified defense articles must DDTC authorization prior to export. “Application/License for Temporary Export of Unclassified Defense Articles” (Form DSP–73) is the licensing vehicle typically used to obtain permission for the temporary export of unclassified defense articles covered by the USML. This form is an application that, when completed and approved by PM/DDTC, Department of State, constitutes the official record and authorization for the temporary commercial export of unclassified U.S. Munitions List articles, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act and the International Traffic in Arms Regulations.

- *1405–0092, Application for Amendment to License for Export or Import of Classified or Unclassified Defense Articles and Related Classified Technical Data:* In accordance with part 123 of the ITAR, any person who intends to permanently export, temporarily import, or temporarily export unclassified or classified defense articles or related technical data must obtain DDTC authorization.

“Application for Amendment to License for Export or Import of Classified or Unclassified Defense Articles and Related Classified Technical Data” is used to obtain permission for certain changes to previously approved licenses. This form is an application that, when completed and approved by PM/DDTC, Department of State, constitutes the official record and authorization for all requests to amend existing defense trade authorizations made pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act and the International Traffic in Arms Regulations.

- *1405–0021, Nontransfer and Use Certificate:* Pursuant to § 123.10 of the ITAR, a completed “Nontransfer and Use Certificate” (Form DSP–83) must accompany an export license application to export significant military equipment and classified articles and technical data. Pursuant to § 124.10 of the ITAR, a completed “Nontransfer and Use Certificate” must be submitted with any request for a manufacturing license agreement or technical assistance agreement that relates to significant military equipment or classified defense articles and technical data. The foreign consignee (if applicable), foreign end-user, and applicant execute this form. By signing the certificate the foreign end-user certifies that they will not, except as specifically authorized by prior written approval of the Department of State, re-export, resell or otherwise dispose of the defense articles enumerated in the application (1) outside the foreign country named as the country of ultimate destination; or (2) to any other person. With respect to agreements that involve classified articles or classified technical data, an authorized representative of the foreign government must also sign the form.

#### Methodology

This information collection may be sent to the Directorate of Defense Trade Controls via the following methods: Electronically or mail.

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*Director of Management, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, U.S. Department of State.*

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