

ACTION: Notice of permit issued under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978, Public Law 95–541.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish notice of permits issued under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978. This is the required notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nadene G. Kennedy, Permit Office, Office of Polar Programs, Rm. 755, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On March 21, 2012, the National Science Foundation published a notice in the **Federal Register** of a permit application received. The permit was issued on April 3, 2012 to: Lockheed Martin Corporation, Permit No. 2012–016, Ms. Celia Lang (Principal in Charge).

Nadene G. Kennedy,
Permit Officer.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Investor Education and Advocacy, Washington, DC 20549–0213.

Extension:

Rule 17g–1 and Form NRSRO, SEC File No. 270–563, OMB Control No. 3235–0625.

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 a request for approval of extension of the previously approved collection of information provided for in Rule 17g–1, Form NRSRO and Instructions to Form NRSRO, under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*).¹

Rule 17g–1, Form NRSRO and the Instructions to Form NRSRO contain certain recordkeeping and disclosure requirements for NRSROs. Currently, there are nine credit rating agencies registered as NRSROs with the Commission. The Commission estimates that the total burden for respondents to comply with Rule 17g–1 and Form NRSRO is 838 hours, which includes one-time reporting burdens for new registration applications, registration for

additional categories of credit ratings, withdrawals of NRSRO applications, and withdrawals of NRSRO registration.

The Commission may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the PRA that does not display a valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number.

Background documentation for this information collection may be viewed at the following Web site, <http://www.reginfo.gov>. Comments should be directed to: (i) Desk Officer for the Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10102, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503, or by sending an email to: Shagufta_Ahmed@omb.eop.gov; and (ii) Thomas Bayer, Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, c/o Remi Pavlik-Simon, 6432 General Green Way, Alexandria, VA 22312 or send an email to: PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov. Comments must be submitted to OMB within 30 days of this notice.

Dated: April 3, 2012.

Elizabeth M. Murphy,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Investor Education and Advocacy, Washington, DC 20549–0213.

Extension:

Rule 17g–3; SEC File No. 270–565; OMB Control No. 3235–0626.

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 (“OMB”) a request for approval of extension of the previously approved collection of information provided for in Rule 17g–3 (17 CFR 240.17g–3) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*).

Rule 17g–3 contains reporting requirements. The collection of information obligations imposed by the

rule is mandatory. The requirements of Rule 17g–3, however, apply only to credit rating agencies that are registered with the Commission as a nationally recognized statistical rating organization (“NRSRO”), and registration is voluntary. Under Rule 17g–3 each NRSRO must submit annual audited financial statements. The Commission previously estimated that approximately 30 credit rating agencies would register with the Commission as NRSROs under section 15E of the Exchange Act.¹ Currently, there are nine credit rating agencies which have registered with the Commission as NRSROs. Consequently, while the Commission expects more credit rating agencies may become registered as NRSROs over the next few years, the Commission believes that the estimated number of ten NRSROs should be used for purposes of the Paperwork Reduction Act. Thus, the Commission estimates that the adjusted current industry-wide annual burden for Rule 17g–3 would be 2,033 hours, which includes a one-time reporting burden for processing reports.

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Secretary.

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¹ See *Oversight of Credit Rating Agencies Registered as Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organizations*, 34–55857 (June 5, 2007), 72 FR 33564 at 33607 (June 18, 2007).

¹ See 17 CFR 240.17g–1 and 17 CFR 249b.300.