

Dated: March 17, 2004.

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OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT CORPORATION

Agency Report Form Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC).

ACTION: Request for comments.

SUMMARY: Under the provision of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), agencies are required to publish a Notice in the **Federal Register** notifying the public that the Agency is preparing an information collection request for OMB review and approval and to request public review and comment on the submission. Comments are being solicited on the need for the information; the accuracy of the Agency's burden estimate; the quality, practical utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and on ways to minimize the reporting burden, including automated collection techniques and uses of other forms of technology. The proposed form under review, OMB control number 3420-0023, is summarized below.

DATES: Comments must be received within 60 calendar days of publication of this notice.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the subject form and the request for review prepared for submission to OMB may be obtained from the Agency submitting officer. Comments on the form should be submitted to the Agency Submitting Officer.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

OPIC Agency Submitting Officer

Bruce I. Campbell, Record Management Officer, Overseas Private Investment Corporation, 1100 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20527; (202) 336-8563.

Summary Form Under Review

Type of Request: Revised form.

Title: Self Monitoring Questionnaire for Investment Funds' Sub-Projects.

Form Number: OPIC-217.

Frequency of Use: Annually for duration of project.

Type of Respondents: Business or other institution (except farms); individuals.

Description of Affected Public: U.S. companies or citizens investing overseas.

Reporting Hours: 8.5 hours per project.

Number of Responses: 419 per year.

Federal Cost: \$28,634.

Authority for Information Collection: Sections 231, 234(a), 239(d), and 240A of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended.

Abstract (Needs and Uses): The questionnaire is completed by OPIC-assisted investors annually. The questionnaire allows OPIC's assessment of effects of OPIC-assisted projects on the U.S. economy and employment, as well as on the environment and economic development abroad.

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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 Filings and Information Services, Washington, DC 20549.

Extension

Rule 29; SEC File No. 270-169; and OMB Control No. 3235-0149.

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 extension of the previously approved collection of information discussed below.

Rule 29 under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as amended, ("Act"), 15 U.S.C. 79, *et seq.*, requires that "[a] copy of each annual report submitted by any registered holding company or any of its subsidiaries to a state commission covering operations not reported to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission shall be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission no later than ten days after its submission."

The regulation requires that the same reports prepared and filed under state law be filed with the Commission. The information collected under Rule 29 permits the Commission to remain current on developments that are reported to state commissions, but that

may not otherwise be reported to the Commission. This information is beneficial to the liaison the Commission maintains with state governments and is also useful in the preparation of annual reports to the U.S. Congress required under Section 23 of the Act, 15 U.S.C. 79(w).

The Commission receives about 62 annual reports per year under this regulation. We estimate, on the basis of informal discussions with respondents, that the rule imposes a burden of about .25 hours each year for each respondent, who makes only one submission. Therefore, a total annual burden of 15.50 hours is imposed. The cost of this reporting burden is estimated to be \$100 per hour or \$1,550 total for all respondents. The responses are public records so confidentiality is not an issue. All registered companies and their subsidiaries are required to make the filings.

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 control number.

Please direct general comments regarding the above information to the following persons: (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 send an e-mail to: David_Rostker@omb.eop.gov; and (ii) R. Corey Booth, Director/Chief Information Officer, Office of Information Technology, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549. Comments must be submitted to OMB within 30 days of this notice.

Dated: March 15, 2004.

Margaret H. McFarland,

Deputy 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 Filings and Information Services, Washington, DC 20549.

Extension

Rule 1(c) and Form U5S; SEC File No. 270-168; and OMB Control No. 3235-0164.

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 extension of the previously approved collection of information discussed below.

Under rule 1(c) and section 14 of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 ("Act"), Form U5S must be filed annually by all registered holding companies. Form U5S contains broad ranging information such as a description of system companies, acquisitions and sales of utility assets, securities transactions, and other information necessary for the staff to ascertain compliance with the Act. The 33 annual responses together incur about 445.5 burden hours to comply with these requirements.

The estimate of average burden hours is made solely for the purposes of the Paperwork Reduction Act. The estimate is not derived from a comprehensive or even a representative survey or study of the costs of Commission rules and forms.

The Commission needs this information to determine if the registered holding companies and their subsidiaries (and, in certain instances, exempt holding companies) are in compliance with the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935. There is no requirement to keep the information confidential because it is public information. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a registered holding company is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number.

Please direct general comments regarding the above information should be directed to the following persons: (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 send an email to:

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Margaret H. McFarland,
Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Extension:

Rule 57(a)—SEC File No. 270-376—OMB Control No. 3235-0428

Form U-57—SEC File No. 270-376—OMB Control No. 3235-0428.

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 extension of the previously approved collection of information discussed below.

Under rule 57(a) of the Act, Form U-57 must be used by a person filing under sections 33(a)(3)(B) and 33(c)(1) of the Act providing that U-57 is the form on which (1) a company seeking to become a "foreign utility company" may inform the Commission of that status, and (2) a registered holding company that acquires an interest in a "foreign utility company" may inform the Commission of that acquisition. The 101 annual responses together incur about 405 burden hours to comply with these requirements.

The estimate of average burden hours is made solely for the purposes of the Paperwork Reduction Act. The estimate is not derived from a comprehensive or even a representative survey or study of the costs of Commission rules and forms.

The Commission needs this information to determine if the registered holding companies and their subsidiaries (and, in certain instances, exempt holding companies) are in compliance with the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935. There is no requirement to keep the information confidential because it is public information. 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 control number.

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Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the Government in the Sunshine Act, Pub. L. 94-409, that the Securities and Exchange Commission will hold the following meeting during the week of March 22, 2004: a closed meeting will be held on Thursday, March 25, 2004, at 2 p.m.

Commissioners, Counsel to the Commissioners, the Secretary to the Commission, and recording secretaries will attend the closed meeting. Certain staff members who have an interest in the matters may also be present.

The General Counsel of the Commission, or his designee, has certified that, in his opinion, one or more of the exemptions set forth in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(5), (7), (9), and (10) and 17 CFR 200.402(a)(5), (7), 9(ii), and (10), permit consideration of the scheduled matters at the closed meeting.

Commissioner Atkins, as duty officer, voted to consider the items listed for the closed meeting in closed session.

The subject matter of the closed meeting scheduled for Thursday, March 25, 2004, will be:

Formal orders of investigation;
Settlement of injunctive actions; and
Institution and settlement of administrative proceedings of an enforcement nature.

At times, changes in Commission priorities require alterations in the scheduling of meeting items. For further information and to ascertain what, if any, matters have been added, deleted or postponed, please contact: The Office of the Secretary at (202) 942-7070.

Dated: March 17, 2004.

Jonathan G. Katz,
Secretary.

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