

(scheduled for publication in Internal Revenue Bulletin 2002-15) announced that it had determined the rate of interest on 30-year Treasury securities for February 2002 and that it would determine and publish the rate of interest on 30-year Treasury securities for succeeding months pending enactment of legislative changes that address the discontinuance of 30-year Treasury securities. The PBGC has concluded that it is appropriate to use the February rate announced in Notice 2002-26, and future rates determined in the manner described in that notice, in setting the required interest rate for purposes of calculating the variable-rate premium.

Until March 9, 2002, the applicable percentage of the 30-year Treasury rate (to be used in determining the required interest rate) under section 4006(a)(3)(E)(iii)(II) of ERISA had been 85 percent. However, the Job Creation and Worker Assistance Act of 2002 (Public Law No. 107-147), signed into law on that date, changes the applicable percentage to 100 percent for plan years beginning after December 31, 2001, and before January 1, 2004.

Accordingly, the required interest rates to be used in determining variable-rate premiums for premium payment years beginning in January through April 2002 are 5.48 percent for January, 5.45 percent for February, 5.40 percent for March, and 5.71 percent for April (i.e., 100 percent of the 30-year Treasury rate figures for December 2001 through March 2002).

The following table lists the required interest rates to be used in determining variable-rate premiums for premium payment years beginning between May 2001 and April 2002.

| For premium payment years beginning in | The required interest rate is |
|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| May 2001 .....                         | 4.80                          |
| June 2001 .....                        | 4.91                          |
| July 2001 .....                        | 4.82                          |
| August 2001 .....                      | 4.77                          |
| September 2001 .....                   | 4.66                          |
| October 2001 .....                     | 4.66                          |
| November 2001 .....                    | 4.52                          |
| December 2001 .....                    | 4.35                          |
| January 2002 .....                     | 5.48                          |
| February 2002 .....                    | 5.45                          |
| March 2002 .....                       | 5.40                          |
| April 2002 .....                       | 5.71                          |

#### **Late Premium Payments; Underpayments and Overpayments of Single-Employer Plan Termination Liability**

Section 4007(b) of ERISA and § 4007.7(a) of the PBGC's regulation on Payment of Premiums (29 CFR part

4007) require the payment of interest on late premium payments at the rate established under section 6601 of the Internal Revenue Code. Similarly, § 4062.7 of the PBGC's regulation on Liability for Termination of Single-employer Plans (29 CFR part 4062) requires that interest be charged or credited at the section 6601 rate on underpayments and overpayments of employer liability under section 4062 of ERISA. The section 6601 rate is established periodically (currently quarterly) by the Internal Revenue Service. The rate applicable to the second quarter (April through June) of 2002, as announced by the IRS, is 6 percent.

The following table lists the late payment interest rates for premiums and employer liability for the specified time periods:

| From         | Through  | Interest rates (percent) |
|--------------|----------|--------------------------|
| 4/1/96 ..... | 6/30/96  | 8                        |
| 7/1/96 ..... | 3/31/98  | 9                        |
| 4/1/98 ..... | 12/31/98 | 8                        |
| 1/1/99 ..... | 3/31/99  | 7                        |
| 4/1/99 ..... | 3/31/00  | 8                        |
| 4/1/00 ..... | 3/31/01  | 9                        |
| 4/1/01 ..... | 6/30/01  | 8                        |
| 7/1/01 ..... | 12/31/01 | 7                        |
| 1/1/02 ..... | 6/30/02  | 6                        |

#### **Underpayments and Overpayments of Multiemployer Withdrawal Liability**

Section 4219.32(b) of the PBGC's regulation on Notice, Collection, and Redetermination of Withdrawal Liability (29 CFR part 4219) specifies the rate at which a multiemployer plan is to charge or credit interest on underpayments and overpayments of withdrawal liability under section 4219 of ERISA unless an applicable plan provision provides otherwise. For interest accruing during any calendar quarter, the specified rate is the average quoted prime rate on short-term commercial loans for the fifteenth day (or the next business day if the fifteenth day is not a business day) of the month preceding the beginning of the quarter, as reported by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in Statistical Release H.15 ("Selected Interest Rates"). The rate for the second quarter (April through June) of 2002 (i.e., the rate reported for March 15, 2002) is 4.75 percent.

The following table lists the withdrawal liability underpayment and overpayment interest rates for the specified time periods:

| From          | Through  | Interest rate (percent) |
|---------------|----------|-------------------------|
| 4/1/96 .....  | 6/30/97  | 8.25                    |
| 7/1/97 .....  | 12/31/98 | 8.50                    |
| 1/1/99 .....  | 9/30/99  | 7.75                    |
| 10/1/99 ..... | 12/31/99 | 8.25                    |
| 1/1/00 .....  | 3/31/00  | 8.50                    |
| 4/1/00 .....  | 6/30/00  | 8.75                    |
| 7/1/00 .....  | 3/31/01  | 9.50                    |
| 4/1/01 .....  | 6/30/01  | 8.50                    |
| 7/1/01 .....  | 9/30/01  | 7.00                    |
| 10/1/01 ..... | 12/31/01 | 6.50                    |
| 1/1/02 .....  | 6/30/02  | 4.75                    |

#### **Multiemployer Plan Valuations Following Mass Withdrawal**

The PBGC's regulation on Duties of Plan Sponsor Following Mass Withdrawal (29 CFR part 4281) prescribes the use of interest assumptions under the PBGC's regulation on Allocation of Assets in Single-employer Plans (29 CFR part 4044). The interest assumptions applicable to valuation dates in May 2002 under part 4044 are contained in an amendment to part 4044 published elsewhere in today's **Federal Register**. Tables showing the assumptions applicable to prior periods are codified in appendix B to 29 CFR part 4044.

Issued in Washington, DC, on this 9th day of April 2002.

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#### **OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT**

#### **Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request for Review of a Revised Information Collection: OPM 2809**

**AGENCY:** Office of Personnel Management.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law 104-13, May 22, 1995), this notice announces that the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget a request for review of a revised information collection. OPM 2809, Health Benefits Registration Form, is used by annuitants and former spouses to elect, cancel, or change health benefits enrollment during periods other than open season.

There are approximately 30,000 changes to health benefits coverage per year. Of these, 20,000 are submitted on

form OPM 2809 and 10,000 verbally or in written correspondence. Each form takes approximately 45 minutes to complete; data collection by telephone or mail takes approximately 10 minutes. The annual burden for the form is 15,000 hours; the burden not using the form is 1,667 hours. The total burden is 16,667.

For copies of this proposal, contact Mary Beth Smith-Toomey on (202) 606-8358, FAX (202) 418-3251 or E-mail to [mbtoomey@opm.gov](mailto:mbtoomey@opm.gov). Please include your mailing address with your request.

**DATES:** Comments on this proposal should be received within 30 calendar days from the date of this publication.

**ADDRESSES:** Send or deliver comments to—

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

### Issuer Delisting: Notice of Application To Withdraw From Listing and Registration on the American Stock Exchange LLC (Kinam Gold Inc., \$3.75 Series B Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$1.00 per share) File No. 1-9620

April 8, 2002.

Kinam Gold, Inc., a Nevada corporation, ("Issuer") has filed an application with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to section 12(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")<sup>1</sup> and rule 12d2-2(c) thereunder,<sup>2</sup> to strike the \$3.75 Series B

Convertible Preferred Stock, par value, \$1.00 per share ("Security"), from listing and registration on the American Stock Exchange LLC ("Amex" or "Exchange").

The Board of Directors ("Board") of the Issuer unanimously approved a resolution on April 1, 2002 to withdraw its Securities from listing on the Exchange. The Board cites the following reasons for its decision to withdraw its Security: (i) As the result of a tender offer made on February 20, 2002, by Kinross Gold Corporation ("Kinross"), which indirectly through a wholly-owned subsidiary, owned all of the issued and outstanding common stock of the Issuer and approximately 51.4% of the Security, Kinross now owns 100% of the common stock of the Issuer and 86.9% of the Security; (ii) as a result of Kinross's current ownership position, the Issuer controls approximately 99.6% of the vote with respect to all matters submitted jointly to the shareholders of the common stock and Security. In addition, Kinross controls the vote on all matters requiring approval of the Security voting separately as a single class; (iii) in the tender offer materials Kinross provided to its shareholders, Kinross indicated its intent to the Issuer to engage in a merger, recapitalization, or other transactions subsequent to the tender offer in which any remaining shareholders of the Security would be entitled to receive cash for their shares and, consequently, Kinross would be the sole remaining holder of the Security; and (iv) as of January 22, 2002, prior to the commencement of the tender offer, there were only 49 registered holders of the Issuer's Security. The number of registered holders was reduced to 32 as a result of the tender offer.

The Issuer states in its application that it has met the requirements of the Amex Rule 18 by complying with all applicable laws in effect in the state of Nevada, in which it is incorporated, and with the Amex's rules governing an issuer's voluntary withdrawal of a security from listing and registration. The Issuer's application relates solely to the withdrawal of the Securities from the Amex and registration under section 12(b) of the Act<sup>3</sup> and shall not affect its obligation to be registered under section 12(g) of the Act.<sup>4</sup>

Any interested person may, on or before April 30, 2002, submit by letter to the Secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549-0609, facts

bearing upon whether the application has been made in accordance with the rules of the Amex and what terms, if any, should be imposed by the Commission for the protection of investors. The Commission, based on the information submitted to it, will issue an order granting the application after the date mentioned above, unless the Commission determines to order a hearing on the matter.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>5</sup>

**Jonathan G. Katz,**

*Secretary.*

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Rel. No. IC-25515; File No. 812-12582]

### Sage Life Assurance of America, Inc., et al.; Notice of Application

April 9, 2002.

**AGENCY:** Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission").

**ACTION:** Notice of application for an order under section 6(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "1940 Act" or "Act") granting exemptions from the provisions of sections 2(a)(32) and 27(i)(2)(A) and Rule 22c-1 thereunder to permit the recapture of Investment Credits applied to purchase payments made under certain deferred variable annuity contracts and certificates.

**SUMMARY OF APPLICATION:** Applicants seek an order under section 6(c) of the Act to the extent necessary to permit, under specified circumstances, the recapture of Investment Credits applied to purchase payments made under deferred variable annuity contracts and certificates (the "Contracts") that Sage Life will issue through Variable Account A, as well as other contracts that Sage Life may issue in the future through Future Accounts that are substantially similar in all material respects to the Contracts (the "Future Contracts"). Applicants also request that the order being sought extend to any other National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. ("NASD") member broker-dealer controlling or controlled by, or under common control with, Sage Life, whether existing or created in the future, that serves as a distributor or principal underwriter for the Contracts or Future Contracts offered through

<sup>1</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78j(d).

<sup>2</sup> 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(c).

<sup>3</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78j(b).

<sup>4</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78j(g).

<sup>5</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(1).