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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request: Extension: Form Custody

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.*) (“PRA”), the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (“OMB”) a request for approval of the extension of the previously approved collection of information provided for in Form Custody (17 CFR 249.639) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*) (“Exchange Act”).

Section 17(a)(1) of the Exchange Act provides that broker-dealers registered with the Commission must make and keep records, furnish copies of the records, and make and disseminate reports as the Commission, by rule, prescribes. Pursuant to this authority, the Commission adopted Rule 17a–5 (17 CFR 240.17a–5), which is one of the primary financial and operational reporting rules for broker-dealers.¹ Paragraph (a)(5) of Rule 17a–5 requires every broker-dealer registered with the Commission to file Form Custody (17 CFR 249.639) with its designated examining authority (“DEA”) within 17 business days after the end of each calendar quarter and within 17 business days after the date selected for the broker-dealer’s annual report if that date is not the end of a calendar quarter. Form Custody is designed to elicit information about whether a broker-dealer maintains custody of customer and non-customer assets, and, if so, how such assets are maintained.

The Commission estimates that there are approximately 3,534 broker-dealers registered with the Commission. As noted above, all broker-dealers

registered with the Commission are required to file Form Custody with their DEA once each calendar quarter. Based on staff experience, the Commission estimates that, on average, it would take a broker-dealer approximately 12 hours to complete and file Form Custody, for an annual industry-wide reporting burden of approximately 169,632 hours.² Assuming an average cost per hour of approximately \$319 for a compliance manager, the total internal cost of compliance for the respondents is approximately \$54,112,608 per year.³

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The public may view background documentation for this information collection at the following website: www.reginfo.gov. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent by August 24, 2022 to (i) MBX.OMB.OIRA.SEC_desk_officer@omb.eop.gov and (ii) David Bottom, Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, c/o John Pezzullo, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549, or by sending an email to: PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov.

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Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request: Extension: Rule 15Ba2–5

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² 3,534 brokers-dealers x 4 times per year x 12 hours = 169,632 hours.

³ 169,632 hours times \$319 per hour = \$54,112,608. \$319 per hour for a compliance manager is from SIFMA’s *Management & Professional Earnings in the Securities Industry 2013*, modified by Commission staff for an 1800-hour work-year, multiplied by 5.35 to account for bonuses, firm size, employee benefits, and overhead, and adjusted for inflation.

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”) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (“OMB”) a request for approval of extension of the existing collection of information provided for in Rule 15Ba2–5 (17 CFR 240.15Ba2–5), under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*) (“Exchange Act”).

On July 7, 1976, effective July 16, 1976 (*see* 41 FR 28948, July 14, 1976), the Commission adopted Rule 15Ba2–5 under the Exchange Act to permit a duly-appointed fiduciary to assume immediate responsibility for the operation of a municipal securities dealer’s business. Without the rule, the fiduciary would not be able to assume operation until it registered as a municipal securities dealer. Under the rule, the registration of a municipal securities dealer is deemed to be the registration of any executor, administrator, guardian, conservator, assignee for the benefit of creditors, receiver, trustee in insolvency or bankruptcy, or other fiduciary, appointed or qualified by order, judgment, or decree of a court of competent jurisdiction to continue the business of such municipal securities dealer, provided that such fiduciary files with the Commission, within 30 days after entering upon the performance of his duties, a statement setting forth as to such fiduciary substantially the same information required by Form MSD or Form BD. The statement is necessary to ensure that the Commission and the public have adequate information about the fiduciary.

There is approximately one respondent per year that requires an aggregate total of 4 hours to comply with this rule. This respondent makes an estimated one annual response. Each response takes approximately 4 hours to complete. Thus, the total compliance burden per year is approximately four hours. The approximate internal compliance cost per hour is \$25, resulting in a total internal cost of compliance of approximately \$100 per year (*i.e.*, 4 hours x \$25).

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¹ Rule 17a–5 is subject to a separate PRA filing (OMB Control Number 3235–0123).