

(44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) is soliciting comments on the collection of information summarized below. The Commission plans to submit this existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for extension and approval.

The information collection activity will garner qualitative customer and stakeholder feedback in an efficient, timely manner, in accordance with the Commission’s commitment to improving service delivery. By qualitative feedback we mean information that provides useful insights on perceptions and opinions but are not statistical surveys that yield quantitative results that can be generalized to the population of study. This feedback will provide insights into customer or stakeholder perceptions, experiences and expectations, provide an early warning of issues with service, or focus attention on areas where communication, training or changes in operations might improve delivery of products or services. These collections will allow for ongoing, collaborative and actionable communications between the SEC and its customers and stakeholders. It will also allow feedback to contribute directly to the improvement of program management.

Feedback collected under this generic clearance will provide useful information, but it will not yield data that can be generalized to the overall population. This type of generic clearance for qualitative information will not be used for quantitative information collections that are designed to yield reliably actionable results, such as monitoring trends over time or documenting program performance. Depending on the degree of influence the results are likely to have, such collections may still be eligible for submission for other generic mechanisms that are designed to yield quantitative results.

Below is the projected average annual estimates each year for the next three years:

Expected annual number of activities: 20.

Respondents: 30,000.

Annual responses: 30,000.

Frequency of response: Once per request.

Average minutes per response: 10.

Annual burden hours: 5,000.

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 OMB Control Number.

Written comments are invited on: (a) whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden imposed by 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.

The public may view and comment on this information collection request at: https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref_nbr=202501-3235-031 or send an email comment to MBX.OMB.OIRA.SEC_desk_officer@omb.eop.gov within 30 days of the day after publication of this notice by April 14, 2025.

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J. Matthew DeLesDernier,
Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Notice of Designation of Entity To Maintain and Operate the Lost and Stolen Securities Program

AGENCY: Securities and Exchange Commission.

ACTION: Notice of designation.

SUMMARY: The Securities and Exchange Commission has designated an entity to maintain and operate the Lost and Stolen Securities Program.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) has designated Accenture Federal Services LLC (“Accenture”) to maintain and operate the Lost and Stolen Securities Program (“LSSP”) on the Commission’s behalf, effective as of January 1, 2025.

The Commission established the LSSP in 1977, pursuant to Section 17(f)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ¹

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78q(f)(1).

(the “Exchange Act”) and Rule 17f–1 thereunder.² Section 17(f)(1) and Rule 17f–1 require certain financial institutions, including banks, clearing agencies, exchanges, broker-dealers, and transfer agents (“Reporting Institutions”), to (1) report securities certificates that they discover to be missing, lost, stolen, or counterfeit ³ and (2) make inquiries about securities certificates that come into their possession to determine if they are missing, lost, stolen, or counterfeit. Reporting Institutions must make these reports and inquiries to the Commission or other person designated by the Commission.

In 1977, pursuant to Section 17(f)(1), the Commission designated an entity to maintain and operate the LSSP on the Commission’s behalf.⁴ That designee and its successors maintained and operated the LSSP on the Commission’s behalf through the end of 2024. On July 21, 2023, the Commission issued a solicitation for services in support of the LSSP.⁵ Pursuant to that solicitation, the Commission selected and entered into a contract with Accenture to maintain and operate the LSSP.⁶

Accordingly, the Commission has designated Accenture to maintain and operate the LSSP pursuant to Section 17(f)(1) of the Act ⁷ and Rule 17f–1 thereunder,⁸ effective as of January 1, 2025. This designation supersedes all previous designations.

By the Commission.

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J. Matthew DeLesDernier,
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TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

Hope Solar and Storage Project

AGENCY: Tennessee Valley Authority.

² 17 CFR 240.17f–1.

³ Securities certificate means any physical instrument that represents or purports to represent ownership in a security that was printed by or on behalf of the issuer thereof and shall include any such instrument that is or was: printed but not issued; issued and outstanding, including treasury securities; cancelled; and counterfeit or reasonably believed to be counterfeit. 17 CFR 240.17f–1(a)(6).

⁴ See Designation of Entity to Receive Reports and Inquiries, Exchange Act Release No. 13538, 42 FR 26495 (May 24, 1977).

⁵ See Lost and Stolen Securities Program (LSSP), <https://sam.gov/opp/5616f351e4dd41d09d19d7accf511471/view>.

⁶ See Lost and Stolen Securities Program (LSSP), Award Notices, <https://sam.gov/opp/5616f351e4dd41d09d19d7accf511471/view>.

⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78q(f)(1).

⁸ 17 CFR 240.17f–1.