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Regulation 14D (17 CFR 240.14d–1—240.14d–11) and Regulation 14E (17 CFR 240.14e–1—240.14e–8) and related Schedule 14D–9 (17 CFR 240.14d–101) require information important to security holders in deciding how to respond to tender offers. Schedule 14D–9 takes approximately 260,566 hours per response to prepare and is filed by approximately 600 companies annually. We estimate that 25% of the 260,566 hours per response (65,141 hours) is prepared by the company for an annual reporting burden of 39,085 hours (65,141 hours per response × 600 responses).

Written comments are invited on: (a) Whether the 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. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted in writing within 60 days of this publication.

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Please direct your written comments to Thomas Bayer, Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, c/o Remi Pavlik-Simon, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549 or send an email to: PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov.

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Kevin M. O’Neill,
Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

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

Extension: Form F–4; OMB Control No. 3235–0325, SEC File No. 270–288.

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”) 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 (“OMB”) for extension and approval.

Form F–4 (17 CFR 239.34) is used by foreign issuers to register securities in business combinations, reorganizations and exchange offers pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933 (15 U.S.C. 77a *et seq.*). The information collected is intended to ensure that the information required to be filed by the Commission permits verification of compliance with securities law requirements and assures the public availability of such information. Form F–4 takes approximately 1,447 hours per response and is filed by approximately 68 respondents. We estimate that 25% of the 1,447 hours per response (361.75 hours) is prepared by the registrant for a total annual reporting burden of 24,599 hours (361.75 hours per response × 68 responses).

Written comments are invited on: (a) Whether this proposed 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. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted in writing within 60 days of this publication.

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Extension:

Form 6–K; OMB Control No. 3235–0116, SEC File No. 270–107.

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Form 6–K (17 CFR 249.306) is a disclosure document under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*) that must be filed by a foreign private issuer to report material information promptly after the occurrence of specified or other important corporate events that are disclosed in the foreign private issuer’s home country. The purpose of Form 6–K is to ensure that U.S. investors have access to the same information that foreign investors do when making investment decisions. Form 6–K takes approximately 8.7 hours per response and is filed by approximately 20,812 issuers annually. We estimate that 75% of the 8.7 hours per response (6.525 hours) is prepared by the issuer for a total annual reporting burden of 135,798 hours (6.525 hours per response × 20,812 responses).

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. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted in writing within 60 days of this publication.

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Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

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From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Investor Education and Advocacy, Washington, DC 20549-0213.

Extension:

Rule 104; SEC File No. 270-411, OMB Control No. 3235-0465.

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 previously approved collection of information provided for in Rule 104 of Regulation M (17 CFR 242.104), under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*).

Rule 104 permits stabilizing by a distribution participant during a distribution so long as the distribution participant discloses information to the market and investors. This rule requires disclosure in offering materials of the potential stabilizing transactions and that the distribution participant inform the market when a stabilizing bid is made. It also requires the distribution participants (i.e. the syndicate manager)

to maintain information regarding syndicate covering transactions and penalty bids and disclose such information to the Self-Regulatory Organization.

There are approximately 795 respondents per year that require an aggregate total of 159 hours to comply with this rule. Each respondent makes an estimated 1 annual response. Each response takes approximately 0.20 hours (12 minutes) to complete. Thus, the total compliance burden per year is 159 hours. The total internal labor compliance cost for the respondents is approximately \$10,017.00, resulting in an estimate of \$12.60 (i.e., \$10,017.00/795 responses) per response.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information under the PRA unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

The public may view background documentation for this information collection at the following Web site: *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, c/o Remi Pavlik-Simon, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549 or by sending an email to: *PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov*. Comments must be submitted within 30 days of this notice.

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Extension:

Rule 102; SEC File No. 270-409, OMB Control No. 3235-0467.

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("OMB") a request for approval of extension of the previously approved collection of information provided for in Rule 102 of Regulation M (17 CFR 242.102), under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*).

Rule 102 prohibits distribution participants, issuers, and selling security holders from purchasing activities at specified times during a distribution of securities. Persons otherwise covered by these rules may seek to use several applicable exceptions such as an exclusion for actively traded reference securities and the maintenance of policies regarding information barriers between their affiliates.

There are approximately 945 respondents per year that require an aggregate total of 1,845 hours to comply with this rule. Each respondent makes an estimated 1 annual response. Each response takes on average approximately 1.952 hours to complete. Thus, the total compliance burden per year is 1,845 burden hours. The total compliance cost for the respondents is approximately \$116,235.00, resulting in a cost of compliance for the respondent per response of approximately \$123.00 (i.e., \$116,235.00/945 responses). These are internal labor costs and there are no other costs.

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