

DUGS60263 Advisor to the Secretary, Housing and Urban Development. Effective June 9, 2008.

DUGS60352 Regional Director to the Assistant Deputy Secretary for Field Policy and Management. Effective June 24, 2008.

DUGS60460 Assistant to the Secretary and White House Liaison to the Chief of Staff. Effective June 27, 2008.

DUGS60490 Special Policy Advisor to the Chief of Staff. Effective June 27, 2008.

Section 213.3394 Department of Transportation

DTGS60117 Special Assistant to the Secretary. Effective June 3, 2008.

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U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

Howard C. Weizmann,

Deputy Director.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

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

Extension:

Rule 17Ad–17; OMB Control No. 3235–0469; SEC File No. 270–412.

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 17Ad–17 Transfer Agents’ Obligation to Search for Lost Securityholders.

Rule 17Ad–17 (17 CFR 240.17Ad–17) requires approximately 608 registered transfer agents to conduct searches using third party database vendors to attempt to locate lost securityholders. The staff estimates that the average number of hours necessary for each transfer agent to comply with Rule 17Ad–17 is five hours annually. The total burden is approximately 3,040 hours annually for all transfer agents.¹

The cost of compliance for each individual transfer agent depends on the number of lost accounts for which it is responsible. Based on information received from transfer agents, we estimate that the annual cost industry wide is approximately \$3.3 million.

The retention period for the recordkeeping requirement under Rule 17Ad–17 is three years. The recordkeeping requirement under Rule 17Ad–17 is mandatory to assist the Commission and other regulatory agencies with monitoring transfer agents and ensuring compliance with the rule. This rule does not involve the collection of confidential information. Please note that 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.

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 e-mail to: Alexander.T.Hunt@omb.eop.gov; and (ii) Lewis W. Walker, Acting Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, c/o Shirley Martinson, 6432 General Green Way, Alexandria, VA 22312 or send an e-mail to: PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov. Comments must be submitted within 30 days of this notice.

Dated: August 25, 2008.

Florence E. Harmon,
Acting Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Investment Company Act Release No. 28364; 812–13528]

Aberdeen Asset Management Inc. and Aberdeen Funds; Notice of Application

August 25, 2008.

AGENCY: Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”).

ACTION: Notice of an application under section 6(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (“Act”) for an exemption from section 15(a) of the Act and rule 18f–2 under the Act, as well as from certain disclosure requirements.

SUMMARY OF APPLICATION: Applicants request an order that would permit them to enter into and materially amend subadvisory agreements without

shareholder approval and would grant relief from certain disclosure requirements.

APPLICANTS: Aberdeen Asset Management Inc. (the “Adviser”) and Aberdeen Funds (the “Trust”).

FILING DATES: The application was filed on May 8, 2008. Applicants have agreed to file an amendment during the notice period, the substance of which is reflected in this notice.

HEARING OR NOTIFICATION OF HEARING:

An order granting the application will be issued unless the Commission orders a hearing. Interested persons may request a hearing by writing to the Commission’s Secretary and serving applicants with a copy of the request, personally or by mail. Hearing requests should be received by the Commission by 5:30 p.m. on September 19, 2008, and should be accompanied by proof of service on the applicants, in the form of an affidavit or, for lawyers, a certificate of service. Hearing requests should state the nature of the writer’s interest, the reason for the request, and the issues contested. Persons may request notification of a hearing by writing to the Commission’s Secretary.

ADDRESSES: Secretary, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549–1090. *Applicants:* Aberdeen Asset Management Inc., 1735 Market Street, 37th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103; Aberdeen Funds, 5 Tower Bridge, 300 Barr Harbor Drive, Suite 300, West Conshohocken, PA 19428.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Emerson S. Davis, Senior Counsel, at (202) 551–6868, or Julia Kim Gilmer, Branch Chief, at (202) 551–6821 (Division of Investment Management, Office of Investment Company Regulation).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following is a summary of the application. The complete application may be obtained for a fee at the Commission’s Public Reference Room, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549–1520 (telephone (202) 551–5850).

Applicants’ Representations:

1. The Trust, a Delaware statutory trust, is registered under the Act as an open-end management investment company and offers, or will offer, shares in 26 series each with separate investment objectives, policies and restrictions (each a “Fund” and collectively, the “Funds”).¹ The Adviser

¹ The 60-day notice for this Paperwork Reduction Act extension referred to a burden of 2,432 hours. See 73 FR 32750 (Jun. 10, 2008). This burden was incorrect. The correct burden is 3,040 hours.

¹ Applicants also request relief with respect to future series of the Trust and any other existing or future registered open-end management investment company or series thereof that: (a) Is advised by the