

instructions as the Commission shall designate. The provisions of this section are not applicable to a company authorized to perform service or construction for, or sell goods to, associate companies by § 250.85, § 250.87 or § 250.88.

MISCELLANEOUS RULES

§ 250.100 Orders granting⁶ or withdrawing exemptions.

(a) *Orders granting exemption from rules.* Any transaction subject to the requirements of any rule promulgated under the act may be exempted therefrom by the Commission upon application, or upon its own motion provided an application for approval of such transaction or a declaration with respect thereto is pending, if it appears to the Commission that such requirements as applied to such transaction are not necessary or appropriate in the public interest or for the protection of investors or consumers.

(b) *Orders withdrawing exemption.* Any unexecuted transaction which is within the exemption provided in any rule from the requirements of any provision of the act or of the rules, may nevertheless be subjected thereto by order, after notice and opportunity for hearing, if it appears to the Commission that the withdrawal of such exemption as applied to such transaction would be appropriate in the public interest or the interest of investors or consumers. The Commission may by such notice suspend the applicability of any such exemption to any transaction pending final determination.

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§ 250.101 Standards and interpretations of rules.

All rules shall be construed in the light of, and so as to be consistent with, any applicable requirements of, and standards contained in, the act. Such standards shall be deemed to be incorporated in and a part of every rule.

§ 250.102 Effective date of rules.

Unless the Commission otherwise prescribes in any case, the manner of

publication of rules of the Commission shall be by making a copy of such rule or amendment available for public inspection in the office of the Secretary of the Commission, by filing a copy thereof with the Office of the Federal Register, The National Archives, and by publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER. Rules shall not become effective prior to the effective date therein specified if such date is later than the date of publication. In any case where the method of publication prescribed as to any rule is other than that above specified, such rule shall not be effective as against any person who has not had actual knowledge thereof prior to the filing of a copy thereof with the Office of the Federal Register, and the making available for inspection of such a copy as prescribed in section 7 of the Federal Register Act (49 Stat. 502; U.S.C. 307).

§ 250.103 References and definitions.

As used in the rules in this part, unless the context indicates otherwise:

(a) The term *Commission* means the Securities and Exchange Commission.

(b) The term *act* means the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935.

(c) The term *section* refers to a section of the act.

(d) The term *rule* includes *rule* and *regulation*, as those words are used in the Act and refers to the rules prescribed by the Commission pursuant to the Act. All forms and instructions thereto shall be deemed rules and regulations adopted by the Commission pursuant to the Act.

(e) Any definition of a term contained in the act shall be applicable to such term as used in the rules.

(f) The term *parent* or *parent company* of a specified company means a company of which such specified company is a subsidiary, whether by virtue of direct or indirect ownership or control of securities.

(g) The phrase *direct subsidiary* of a specified company means a company of which such specified company itself directly owns, controls, or holds with power to vote, 10 percent or more of the outstanding voting securities, and directly owns a greater percentage of such voting securities than are owned by any other company.

⁶ See § 250.20(a).