general, to protect investors and the public interest.

The proposed rule change is intended to clarify the types of front running trading activity that FINRA believes are inconsistent with just and equitable principles of trade while also ensuring that members may continue to engage in transactions that do not present the risk of abusive trading practices that the rule is intended to prevent. The Commission finds that expanding the rule beyond options and security futures could enhance the protection of investors by further prohibiting the potential misuse of information from customer orders. Expanding the front running prohibition is reasonably designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, promote just and equitable principles of trade, and better protect investors and the public interest, while protecting imminent block transactions.

Moreover, the proposed rule change also would include three exceptions to the Front Running Policy: (1) Transactions that the member can demonstrate are unrelated to the customer block order; (2) transactions that are undertaken to fulfill or facilitate the execution of the customer block order; and (3) transactions that are executed, in whole or in part, on a national securities exchange and comply with the marketplace rules of that exchange. The Commission finds that these exceptions should not unnecessarily restrict legitimate trading activities of members and are consistent with just and equitable principles of trade and the protection of investors and the public interest, and should not result in fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices. Specifically, transactions that the member can demonstrate are unrelated to the customer block order do not present the potential for abusive trading practices that can disadvantage a customer's order in violation of the rule, since such transactions would not be using the information from the customer's order. Moreover, transactions that are undertaken to fulfill or facilitate the execution of the customer block order similarly do not present the potential for abuse, as such transactions would be seeking to ensure the execution of a customer block order. Finally, permitting transactions that are executed, in whole or in part, on a national securities exchange and comply with the marketplace rules of that exchange would remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, as it would help ensure that members would not unknowingly violate FINRA rules when such members rely on the rules of a particular national securities exchange.

For the foregoing reasons, the Commission believes that the proposed rule change, as modified by Amendment No. 1, is consistent with the requirements of the Act.

V. Conclusion

It is therefore ordered, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,36 that the proposed rule change (SR–FINRA–2012–025), as modified by Amendment No. 1, be, and hereby is, approved.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.37

Kevin M. O’Neill,
Deputy Secretary.

For Economic Injury:

| Non-Profit Organizations With Credit Available Elsewhere | 3.000 |
| Non-Profit Organizations Without Credit Available Elsewhere | 3.125 |
| Credit Available Elsewhere | 3.000 |

The number assigned to this disaster for physical damage is 132526 and for economic injury is 132536.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers 59002 and 59008)

James E. Rivera,
Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.

For Physical Damage:

| Non-Profit Organizations With Credit Available Elsewhere | 3.000 |
| Non-Profit Organizations Without Credit Available Elsewhere | 3.125 |

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 8017]

60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Application for Employment as a Locally Employed Staff or Family Member

ACTION: Notice of request for public comment.

SUMMARY: The Department of State is seeking Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the information collection described below. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we are requesting comments on this collection from all interested individuals and organizations. The purpose of this notice is to allow 60 days for public comment preceding submission of the collection to OMB.

DATES: The Department will accept comments from the public up to November 9, 2012.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- Web: Persons with access to the Internet may use the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) to comment on this notice by going to www.Regulations.gov. You can search for the document by entering "Public

Notice #017” in the Search bar. If necessary, use the Narrow by Agency filter option on the Results page.

- Email: ColeCM@state.gov.

You must include the DS form number (if applicable), information collection title, and the OMB control number in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Direct requests for additional information regarding the collection listed in this notice, including requests for copies of the proposed collection instrument and supporting documents, to Caroline Cole, Bureau of Human Resources, Office of Overseas Employment, U.S. Department of State, Washington, DC 20547, who may be reached on 202–203–7390 or at ColeCM@state.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- Title of Information Collection: Application for Employment as a Locally Employed Staff or Family Member.
- OMB Control Number: 1405–0189.
- Type of Request: Revision of a Currently Approved Collection.
- Form Number: DS–0174.
- Respondents: Candidates seeking employment at U.S. Missions abroad, including family members of Foreign Service, Civil Service, and uniformed service members officially assigned to the Mission and under Chief of Mission authority.
- Estimated Number of Respondents: 40,000.
- Estimated Number of Responses: 40,000.
- Average Time per Response: 1 hour.
- Total Estimated Burden Time: 40,000 hours.
- Frequency: On Occasion.
- Obligation to Respond: Required to Obtain a Benefit.

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department.
- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.
- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that comments submitted in response to this Notice are public record. Before including any detailed personal information, you should be aware that your comments as submitted, including your personal information, will be available for public review.

Abstract of Proposed Collection

The DS–0174, Application for Employment as a Locally Employed Staff or Family Member, is needed to meet information collection requirements for recruitments conducted at approximately 170 U.S. embassies and consulates throughout the world. Current employment application forms do not meet the unique requirements of Mission recruitment (e.g., language skills and hiring preferences) under the FS Act of 1980 and 22 U.S.C. 2669(c). The DS–0174 is needed to improve data gathering and to clarify interpretation of candidate responses.

Methodology

Candidates for employment use the DS–0174 to apply for Mission-advertised positions throughout the world. Mission recruitments generate approximately 40,000 applications per year. Data that HR and hiring officials extract from the DS–0174 determines eligibility for employment, qualifications for the position, and selections according to Federal policies.


William E. Schaal, Jr.,
Director, HR/EX, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

September 5, 2012.

The Department of the Treasury will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13, on or after the date of publication of this notice.

DATES: Comments should be received on or before October 10, 2012 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Send comments regarding the burden estimate, or any other aspect of the information collection, including suggestion for reducing the burden to the (1) Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for Treasury, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, or email at OIRA Submission@OMB.EOP.GOV and the (2) Treasury PRA Clearance Officer, 1750 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Suite 8140, Washington, DC 20220, or email at PRA@treasury.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 927–5331, email at PRA@treasury.gov, or the entire information collection request may be found at www.reginfo.gov.

Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFI) Fund

OMB Number: 1559–NEW.

Type of Review: New collection.

Title: Capital Magnet Fund Reporting.

Abstract: The purpose of the Capital Magnet Fund (CMF) program is to competitively award grants to certified Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs) and qualified nonprofit housing organizations to attract and leverage other finance resources towards the support of affordable housing and related community development projects. The CMF was authorized in July of 2008 under Section 1339 of the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008 (Pub. L. 110–289), and $80 million was appropriated for this initiative under the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2010 (Pub. L. 111–117). Twenty-three Awardees were competitively selected after a careful review of their program applications. These Awardees entered into Assistance Agreements with the CDFI Fund that set forth certain required terms and conditions of the award, including reporting and data collection requirements. The Assistance Agreement requires the collection of annual reports that are used to collect information for compliance monitoring and program evaluation purposes. This information is reviewed to ensure the Awardee’s compliance with its performance goals and contractual obligations and the overall performance of the program.

Affected Public: Private Sector: Businesses or other for-profits; Not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 920.

Robert Dahl,
Treasury PRA Clearance Officer.

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