6351-01-P

## COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Notice of Intent to Renew Collection 3038-0021, Regulations Governing Bankruptcies of Commodity Brokers

**AGENCY:** Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("Commission" or "CFTC") is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act ("PRA"), Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the <u>Federal Register</u> concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing collection, and to allow 60 days for public comment. This notice solicits comments on collections of information provided for by Regulations Governing Bankruptcies of Commodity Brokers.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by OMB Control No. 3038-0021 by any of the following methods:

• The Agency's web site, at <a href="http://comments.cftc.gov/">http://comments.cftc.gov/</a>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments through the web site.

- Mail: Christopher Kirkpatrick, Secretary of the Commission, Commodity
  Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, NW,
  Washington, DC 20581.
  - Hand Delivery/Courier: Same as Mail above.
- Federal eRulemaking Portal: <a href="http://www.regulations.gov/">http://www.regulations.gov/</a>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments through the Portal.

Please submit your comments using only one method.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:** Robert Wasserman, Chief Counsel, Division of Clearing and Risk, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, NW, Washington, DC 20581; (202) 418-5092; email: <a href="mailto:rwasserman@cftc.gov">rwasserman@cftc.gov</a>, and refer to OMB Control No. 3038-0021.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA, Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. "Collection of Information" is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3 and includes agency requests or requirements that members of the public submit reports, keep records, or provide information to a third party. Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA, 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A), requires Federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, the CFTC is publishing notice of the proposed collection of information listed below.

**Title:** Regulations Governing Bankruptcies of Commodity Brokers (OMB Control No. 3038–0021). This is a request for extension of a currently approved information collection.

**Abstract:** This collection of information involves recordkeeping and notice requirements in the CFTC's bankruptcy rules for commodity broker liquidations, 17 CFR Part 190. These requirements are intended to facilitate the effective, efficient, and fair conduct of liquidation proceedings for commodity brokers and to protect the interests of customers in these proceedings.

With respect to the collection of information, the CFTC invites comments on:

- Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have a practical use;
- The accuracy of the Commission's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Ways to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Ways to minimize the burden of collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology; <u>e.g.</u>, permitting electronic submission of responses.

All comments must be submitted in English, or if not, accompanied by an English translation. Comments will be posted as received to <a href="http://www.cftc.gov">http://www.cftc.gov</a>. You should

submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. If you wish the Commission to consider information that you believe is exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, a petition for confidential treatment of the exempt information may be submitted according to the procedures established in § 145.9 of the Commission's regulations.<sup>1</sup>

The Commission reserves the right, but shall have no obligation, to review, prescreen, filter, redact, refuse or remove any or all of your submission from <a href="http://www.cftc.gov">http://www.cftc.gov</a> that it may deem to be inappropriate for publication, such as obscene language. All submissions that have been redacted or removed that contain comments on the merits of the Information Collection Request will be retained in the public comment file and will be considered as required under the Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws, and may be accessible under the Freedom of Information Act.

**Burden Statement:** Commodity broker liquidations occur at unpredictable and irregular intervals; for purposes of estimating information collection burden this notice assumes an average of one commodity broker liquidation every three years. The CFTC further notes that the information collection burden will vary in particular commodity broker liquidations depending on the size of the commodity broker, the extent to which accounts are able to be quickly transferred, and other factors specific to the circumstances of the liquidation. The Commission estimates the average burden of this collection of information as follows:

## • Rule 190.02(a)(1)

Estimated Respondents or Recordkeepers per Year: 0.33.

Estimated Reports Annually per Respondent or Recordkeeper: 2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 17 CFR 145.9.

Estimated Hours per Response: 0.5.

Estimated Total Hours per Year: 0.33.

• Rule 190.02(a)(2)

Estimated Respondents or Recordkeepers per Year: 0.33.

Estimated Reports Annually per Respondent or Recordkeeper: 1.

Estimated Hours per Response: 2.

Estimated Total Hours per Year: 0.67.

• Rule 190.02(b)(1)

Estimated Respondents or Recordkeepers per Year: 0.33.

Estimated Reports Annually per Respondent or Recordkeeper: 4.

Estimated Hours per Response: 1.

Estimated Total Hours per Year: 1.32.

• Rule 190.02(b)(2)

Estimated Respondents or Recordkeepers per Year: 0.33.

Estimated Reports Annually per Respondent or Recordkeeper: 10,000.

Estimated Hours per Response: 0.1.

Estimated Total Hours per Year: 330.

• Rule 190.02(b)(3)

Estimated Respondents or Recordkeepers per Year: 0.05 (rarely if ever occurs).

Estimated Reports Annually per Respondent or Recordkeeper: 10,000.

Estimated Hours per Response: 0.2.

Estimated Total Hours per Year: 100.

• Rule 190.02(b)(4)

Estimated Respondents or Recordkeepers per Year: 0.33.

Estimated Reports Annually per Respondent or Recordkeeper: 10,000.

Estimated Hours per Response: 0.2.

Estimated Total Hours per Year: 660.

• Rule 190.02(c)

Estimated Respondents or Recordkeepers per Year: 0.33.

Estimated Reports Annually per Respondent or Recordkeeper: 10.

Estimated Hours per Response: 10.

Estimated Total Hours per Year: 33.

• Rule 190.03(a)(1)

Estimated Respondents or Recordkeepers per Year: 0.33.

Estimated Reports Annually per Respondent or Recordkeeper: 20,000.

Estimated Hours per Response: 0.01.

Estimated Total Hours per Year: 0.66.

• Rule 190.03(a)(2)

Estimated Respondents or Recordkeepers per Year: 0.33.

Estimated Reports Annually per Respondent or Recordkeeper: 20,000.

Estimated Hours per Response: 0.02.

Estimated Total Hours per Year: 132.

• Rule 190.04(b)

Estimated Respondents or Recordkeepers per Year: 0.33.

Estimated Reports Annually per Respondent or Recordkeeper: 40,000.

Estimated Hours per Response: 0.01.

Estimated Total Hours per Year: 132.

• Rule 190.06(b)

Estimated Respondents or Recordkeepers per Year: 0.33.

Estimated Reports Annually per Respondent or Recordkeeper: 1.

Estimated Hours per Response: 1.

Estimated Total Hours per Year: 0.33.

• Rule 190.06(d)

Estimated Respondents or Recordkeepers per Year: 125.

Estimated Reports Annually per Respondent or Recordkeeper: 1000.

Estimated Hours per Response: 0.05.

Estimated Total Hours per Year: 6250.

• Rule 190.10(c)

Estimated Respondents or Recordkeepers per Year: 125.

Estimated Reports Annually per Respondent or Recordkeeper: 1000.

Estimated Hours per Response: 0.05.

Estimated Total Hours per Year: 6250.

There are estimated to be no capital costs or operating and maintenance costs associated with this collection.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.

Dated: May 6, 2015.

Robert N. Sidman,

## Deputy Secretary of the Commission.

[FR Doc. 2015-11384 Filed: 5/11/2015 08:45 am; Publication Date: 5/12/2015]