COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected costs and burden.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of this notice’s publication to OIRA, at https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Please find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review - Open for Public Comments" or by using the website’s search function. Comments can be entered electronically by clicking on the “comment” button next to the information collection on the “OIRA Information Collections Under Review” page, or the “View ICR – Agency Submission” page. A copy of the supporting statement for the collection of information discussed herein may be obtained by visiting https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain.

In addition to the submission of comments to https://Reginfo.gov as indicated above, a copy of all comments submitted to OIRA may also be submitted to the
Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the “Commission” or “CFTC”) by clicking on the “Submit Comment” box next to the descriptive entry for OMB Control No. 3038-0101, at https://comments.cftc.gov/FederalRegister/PublicInfo.aspx

Or by either of the following methods:

- **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.

All comments must be submitted in English, or if not, accompanied by an English translation. Comments submitted to the Commission should include 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.\(^1\) The Commission reserves the right, but shall have no obligation, to review, pre-screen, filter, redact, refuse or remove any or all of your submission from https://www.cftc.gov 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 ICR 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.

\(^1\) 17 CFR 145.9.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Duane C. Andresen, Associate Director, Division of Market Oversight, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, (202) 418-5492; email: dandresen@cftc.gov, and refer to OMB Control No. 3038-0101.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Registration of Foreign Boards of Trade (OMB Control No. 3038-0101).

This is a request for extension of a currently approved information collection.

Abstract: Section 738 of the Dodd-Frank Act amended section 4(b) of the Commodity Exchange Act to provide that the Commission may adopt rules and regulations requiring foreign boards of trade (FBOT) that wish to provide their members or other participants located in the United States with direct access to the FBOT’s electronic trading and order matching system to register with the Commission. Pursuant to this authorization, the CFTC adopted a final rule requiring FBOTs that wish to permit trading by direct access to provide certain information to the Commission in applications for registration and, once registered, to provide certain information to meet quarterly and annual reporting requirements. Currently, Part 48 of the Commission’s regulations sets forth reporting and/or recordkeeping requirements to ensure registered FBOTs providing for trading by direct access meet statutory and regulatory requirements on an initial and ongoing basis.

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 OMB control number. On February 14, 2020, the Commission published in the Federal Register notice of the proposed extension of this information collection and provided 60 days for public
Comment on the proposed extension, 85 FR 8577 (“60-Day Notice”). The Commission did not receive any comments on the 60-Day Notice.

*Burden Statement:* The Commission is revising its estimate of the burden for this collection for registered FBOTs, by reducing the number of FBOTs to which the burden applies. The respondent burden for this collection is estimated to be as follows:

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 23.

*Estimated Average Burden Hours Per Respondent:* 374.4.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 8612.

*Frequency of Collection:* When a reportable event occurs and quarterly and annually for required reports.

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

(Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.* )


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