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Dated: May 3, 2001.

**David Louis Gamberoni,**

*Technical Coordinator, Office of the Secretary.*

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Extension: Rule 15Bc3-1 and Form MSDW; SEC File No. 270-93; OMB Control No. 3235-0087]

### Proposed Collection; Comment Request

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Filings and Information Services, Washington, DC 20549.

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") is soliciting comments on the collection of information summarized below. The Commission plans to submit this collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for extension and approval.

Rule 15Bc3-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 provides that a notice of withdrawal from registration with the Commission as a bank municipal securities dealer must be filed on Form MSDW.

The Commission uses the information submitted on Form MSDW in determining whether it is in the public interest to permit a bank municipal securities dealer to withdraw its registration. This information is also important to the municipal securities dealer's customers and to the public, because it provides, among other things, the name and address of a person to contact regarding any of the municipal securities dealer's unfinished business.

The staff estimates that approximately 20 respondents in total will utilize this notice procedure annually, with a total burden of 10 hours for all respondents, based upon past submissions. The staff estimates that the average number of hours necessary for one respondent to comply with the requirements of Rule 15Bc3-1 is .5 hours. The average cost

per hour is approximately \$101.

Therefore, the total cost of compliance for all respondents is \$1,010 ( $\$101 \times .5 \times 20 = \$1,010$ ).

Written comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted in writing within 60 days of this publication.

Direct your written comments to Michael E. Bartell, Associate Executive Director, Office of Information Technology, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 5th Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20549.

Dated: April 26, 2001.

**Margaret H. McFarland,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Extension: Rule 17a-1; SEC File No. 270-244; OMB Control No. 3235-0208]

### Proposed Collection; Comment Request

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Filings and Information Services, Washington, DC 20549.

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") is publishing the following summary of collection for public comment.

Rule 17a-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 requires that all national securities exchanges, national securities associations, registered clearing agencies, and the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board keep on file for a period of five years, two years in an accessible place, all documents which it makes or receives respecting its self-regulatory activities, and that such documents be available for examination

by the Commission. The average number of hours necessary for compliance with the requirements of Rule 17a-1 is 50 hours per year. There are 24 entities required to comply with the rule: 9 national securities exchanges, 1 national securities association, 13 registered clearing agencies, and the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board. The total number of hours required for all respondents to comply with the rule is thus 1,200 hours annually.

Written comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted in writing within 60 days of this publication.

Direct your written comments to Michael E. Bartell, Associate Executive Director, Office of Information Technology, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 5th Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20549.

Dated: April 27, 2001.

**Margaret H. McFarland,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 35-27389]

### Filings Under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as Amended ("Act")

April 30, 2001.

Notice is hereby given that the following filing(s) has/have been made with the Commission pursuant to provisions of the Act and rules promulgated under the Act. All interested persons are referred to the application(s) and/or declaration(s) for complete statements of the proposed transaction(s) summarized below. The application(s) and/or declaration(s) and any amendment(s) is/are available for public inspection through the Commission's Branch of Public Reference.

Interested persons wishing to comment or request a hearing on the application(s) and/or declaration(s) should submit their views in writing by May 25, 2001, to the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, D.C. 20549-0609, and serve a copy on the relevant applicant(s) and/or declarant(s) at the address(es) specified below. Proof of service (by affidavit or, in the case of an attorney at law, by certificate) should be filed with the request. Any request for hearing should identify specifically the issues of facts or law that are disputed. A person who so requests will be notified of any hearing, if ordered, and will receive a copy of any notice or order issued in the matter. After May 25, 2001, the application(s) and/or declaration(s), as filed or as amended, may be granted and/or permitted to become effective.

**Alliant Energy Corporation, et al. (70-9323)**

Alliant Energy Corporation ("Alliant Energy"), a registered holding company, and its subsidiary nonutility holding company, Alliant Energy Corporation ("AER"), both located at 222 West Washington Avenue, Madison, Wisconsin 53703, and AER's indirect nonutility subsidiary, Heartland Properties, Inc. ("Heartland") (together, "Applicants"), 122 West Washington Avenue, 6th Floor, Madison, Wisconsin 53703 have filed a post-effective amendment to their application under section 9(c)(3) of the Act and rule 54 under the Act.

By Commission order dated April 14, 1998 (HCAR No. 26856) ("1998 Order"), the Applicants, through Heartland, were authorized to retain passive, limited partnership interest ("Investments") in 84 in low-income, multi-family housing projects that were located primarily in Alliant Energy's service territory and qualified for Low Income Housing Tax Credits ("LIHTC") under section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code ("Code").<sup>1</sup> By subsequent order dated August 13, 1999 (HCAR No. 27060) ("1999 Order"), the Applicants were authorized to make additional Investments in LIHTC properties in the Alliant Energy service territory in an aggregate amount of up to \$50 million from time to time, through August 13, 2004.<sup>2</sup> The 1999 Order

<sup>1</sup> Specifically, the Commission determined that the Investments were retainable under section 9(c)(3) of the Act, because the interests were acquired to generate tax credits under the Code and they were being converted into passive investments, which would wind down as the credits expired.

<sup>2</sup> An intervening order dated July 10, 1999 (HCAR No. 27198) authorized the Applicants to reacquire the limited partnership interest in a fund holding seventeen LIHTC properties, which the Commission determined to be retainable under the 1998 Order.

provided that the Applicant's Investments in LIHTC properties would be undertaken for the sole purpose of obtaining the related tax credits and that all Investments would be self-liquidating as the LIHTCs expired.<sup>3</sup> As of December 31, 2000, Heartland had invested approximately \$15.5 million of the amount authorized in the 1999 Order.

The Applicants now request that the Commission modify the authority granted in the 1999 Order. In particular, Applicants request that the Commission eliminate the restriction in the 1999 Order limiting new LIHTC investments to properties located in Alliant Energy's service territory,<sup>4</sup> and permit the Applicants to acquire membership units in limited liability companies ("LLCs") formed to invest in LIHTC properties.<sup>5</sup> The Applicants state that each LLC will be managed by an unaffiliated manager and that the rights of an Applicant as a member of the LLC will be equivalent to those of a limited partner in a limited partnership. The Applicants are not requesting any other modifications to the authority granted in, or the limitations imposed by, the 1999 Order.

For the Commission, by the Division of Investment Management, pursuant to delegated authority.

**Margaret H. McFarland,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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Nine of the LIHTC properties held in that fund were located outside of the Alliant Energy service territory.

<sup>3</sup> LIHTCs are available in the form of equal annual tax credits that are earned over a ten-year period in the first eleven years of the project, with the first and last years prorated. However, in order for the tax credits to vest, the term of the investment must be for at least fifteen years. Once the credits are vested, an investments is fully recovered; that is, the Applicants' economic return is not dependent upon cash flow from the project or any residual value of the asset.

<sup>4</sup> See *Exelon Corp.*, (HCAR No. 27256; October 19, 2000) (The Commission allowed a registered public utility holding company to retain limited partnership interests in nine different LIHTC funds holding properties in housing projects located throughout the United States. The Commission concluded that these investments were retainable under the standards of section 11(b)(1) of the Act, because they were passive in nature, made solely for the purpose of obtaining tax credits and would self-liquidate when the terms of the tax credit expired).

<sup>5</sup> See *NiSource, Inc.*, (HCAR No. 27263; October 30, 2000) (The Commission allowed a registered public utility holding company to retain passive investments in LIHTC ventures organized as LLCs).

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Sunshine Act Meeting**

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the Government in the Sunshine Act, Pub. L. 94-409, that the Securities and Exchange Commission will hold the following meeting during the week of May 7, 2001.

A closed meeting will be held on Thursday, May 10, 2001, at 11 a.m.

Commissioners, Counsel to the Commissioners, the Secretary to the Commission, and recording secretaries will attend the closed meeting. Certain staff members who have an interest in the matters may also be present.

The General Counsel of the Commission, or his designee, has certified that, in his opinion, one or more of the exemptions set forth in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(3), (5), (7), (9)(A), (9)(B), and (10) and 17 CFR 200.402(a)(3), (5), (7), (9)(i), (9)(ii) and (10), permit consideration of the scheduled matters at the closed meeting.

The subject matters of the closed meeting scheduled for Thursday, May 10, 2001 will be:

institution and settlement of injunctive actions; and  
institution and settlement of administrative proceedings of an enforcement nature.

At times, changes in Commission priorities require alterations in the scheduling of meeting items. For further information and to ascertain what, if any, matters have been added, deleted or postponed, please contact:

The Office of the Secretary at (202) 942-7070.

Dated: May 3, 2001.

**Margaret H. McFarland,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

[Release No. 34-44236; File No. SR-CBOE-00-22]

**Self-Regulatory Organizations; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change by the Chicago Board Options Exchange, Inc., Relating to Automatic Execution of Certain Orders on the Electronic Limit Order Book**

April 30, 2001.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934