Availability of the Content Outline

The revised Series 9/10 content outline will replace the current content outline on FINRA’s Web site.9

2. Statutory Basis

The MSRB believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the provisions of Section 15B(b)(2)(A) of the Act,10 which authorizes the MSRB, in part, to prescribe for associated persons of dealers “standards of training, experience, competence, and such other qualifications as the Board finds necessary or appropriate in the public interest or for the protection of investors and municipal entities or obligated persons.”

The MSRB believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the provisions of Section 15B(b)(2)(A) of the Act11 in that the revisions will ensure that certain key concepts and rules are tested on the Series 9/10 in order to test the competency of individuals seeking to qualify as Municipal Securities Sales Principals with respect to their knowledge of MSRB rules and the municipal securities market.

B. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement on Burden on Competition

The MSRB does not believe that the proposed rule change will result in any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. The updated Series 9/10 content outline aligns with the functions and associated tasks currently performed by a Municipal Securities Sales Principal and tests knowledge of the most current laws, rules, and regulations and skills relevant to those functions and associated tasks. As such, the proposed rule change would make the examinations more efficient and effective.

C. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received From Members, Participants, or Others

Written comments were neither solicited nor received on the proposed rule change.

III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

The foregoing proposed rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act12 and paragraph (f)(1) of Rule 19b–4 thereunder.13 At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may temporarily suspend such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

Electronic Comments

• Use the Commission’s Internet comment form (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml); or
• Send an email to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File Number SR–MSRB–2016–02 on the subject line.

Paper Comments

• Send paper comments in triplicate to Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549. All submissions should refer to File Number SR–MSRB–2016–02. This file number should be included on the subject line if email is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission’s Internet Web site (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml). Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for Web site viewing and printing in the Commission’s Public Reference Room, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549 on official business days between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Copies of the filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the MSRB. All comments received will be posted without change; the Commission does not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR–MSRB–2016–02 and should be submitted on or before March 2, 2016.

For the Commission, pursuant to delegated authority.14

Robert W. Errett,
Deputy Secretary.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Interagency Task Force on Veterans Small Business Development

AGENCY: U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA).

ACTION: Interagency Task Force on Veterans Small Business Development Meeting notice.

DATES: March 10, 2016, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.


Purpose: This public meeting is to discuss recommendations identified by the Interagency Task Force on Veterans Small Business Development (IATF) to further enable veteran entrepreneurship policy and programs. In addition, the Task Force will allow public comments regarding the veteran owned small business focus areas.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C., Appendix 2), SBA announces the meeting of the IATF. The Task Force is established pursuant to Executive Order 13540 and coordinates efforts of federal agencies to improve capital, business development opportunities, and pre-established federal contracting goals for veteran owned small businesses (VOSB) and service-disabled veteran owned businesses (SDVOSB). The Task Force shall coordinate administrative and regulatory activities and develop proposals relating to six focus areas: (1) Access to capital (loans, surety bonding and franchising); (2) Ensure achievement of pre-established contracting goals, including mentor protégé and matching with contracting opportunities; (3) Increase the integrity of certifications of status as a small business; (4) Reducing paperwork and administrative burdens in accessing business development and entrepreneurship opportunities; (5) Increasing and improving training and

9 See www.finra.org/brokerqualifications/exams.


11 Id.


counseling services; and, (6) Making other improvements to support veteran’s business development by the federal government.

Additional Information: Advance notice of attendance is requested. Individuals desiring to attend and/or make a presentation to the Committee must contact Ms. Cheryl Simms, IATF Program Liaison, Office of Veterans Business Development, SBA, at vets@smallbusiness.gov by February 26, 2016. Comments for public record should be applicable to the six focus areas listed above and emailed to address above prior to the meeting. Verbal comments will be limited to five minutes to accommodate multiple presenters. Participants requiring special accommodations or additional information should send requests to Ms. Simms at above address. For more information on SBA’s veteran owned business programs, please visit www.sba.gov/vets.


Miguel J. L’Heureux, SBA Committee Management Officer.

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James E. Rivera, Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 9440]


ACTION: Notice of request for public comment and submission to OMB of proposed collection of information.

SUMMARY: The Department of State has submitted the information collection described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval. 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 30 days for public comment.

DATES: Submit comments directly to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) up to March 11, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Direct comments to the Department of State Desk Officer in the