Service suggests that firms use PPI data for making calculations. Private businesses make extensive use of industrial-price data for planning and operations. Price trends are used to assess the condition of markets. Firms commonly compare the prices they pay for material inputs as well as prices they receive for products that they make and sell with changes in similar PPIs.

Economic researchers and forecasters also use the PPI to regular use. PPIs are widely used to probe and measure the interaction of market forces. Some examples of research topics that require extensive price data include: The identification of varying price elasticities and the degree of cost pass-through in the economy, the identification of potential lead and lag structures among price changes, and the identification of prices which exert major impacts throughout market structures.

II. Current Action
Office of Management and Budget clearance is being sought for the PPI survey. The PPI collection is not a one-time project with an end date. The purpose of the PPI collection is to accumulate data for the ongoing, monthly publication of the PPI family of indexes. The Bureau of Labor Statistics must continue collecting data for the PPI since both policy and business planning are affected by the completeness of the description of price trends. Dollar-denominated measures of economic performance, such as Gross Domestic Product, require accurate price data in order to convert nominal to constant-dollar values. Inflation-free national income accounting figures are vital to fiscal and monetary policy-makers when setting objectives and targets. It is conservatively estimated that hundreds-of-trillions of dollars’ worth of contracts and purchase agreements employ PPIs as part of price-adjustment clauses. Failure to calculate data would tend to extend the time frame required for accurate recognition of and appropriate adaptation to economic events.

III. Desired Focus of Comments
The Bureau of Labor Statistics is particularly interested in comments that:
- Evaluate 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.
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.
- Minimize the burden of the 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, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

Type of Review: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Title: Producer Price Index Survey.
OMB Number: 1220–0008.
Affected Public: Private Sector.

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* For monthly repricing, PPI requests repricing of 93,500 items each month.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): $0.
Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): $0.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they also will become a matter of public record.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 19th day of April 2017.

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NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

National Endowment for the Humanities

Meetings of Humanities Panel

AGENCY: National Endowment for the Humanities, National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: The National Endowment for the Humanities will hold six meetings of the Humanities Panel, a federal advisory committee, during June, 2017. The purpose of the meetings is for panel review, discussion, evaluation, and recommendation of applications for financial assistance under the National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities Act of 1965.

DATES: See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section for meeting dates. The meetings will open at 8:30 a.m. and will adjourn by 5:00 p.m. on the dates specified below.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at Constitution Center at 400 7th Street SW., Washington, DC 20506, unless otherwise indicated.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Elizabeth Voyatzis, Committee Management Officer, 400 7th Street SW., Room 4060, Washington, DC 20506; (202) 606–8322; evoyatzis@neh.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given of the following meetings:

1. Date: June 26, 2017. This meeting will discuss applications on the subjects of the Classics, Philosophy, Religion, and European History, for NEH-Mellon Fellowships for Digital Publication, submitted to the Division of Research Programs.
2. Date: June 26, 2017.
This meeting will discuss applications on the subjects of the Arts, Media & Communication, Philosophy & Religion, for the Awards for Faculty grant program, submitted to the Division of Research Programs.
3. Date: June 27, 2017.
This meeting will discuss applications on the subjects of World History, Linguistics, and the Social Sciences, for NEH-Mellon Fellowships for Digital Publication, submitted to the Division of Research Programs.
4. Date: June 27, 2017.
This meeting will discuss applications on the subject of Literature Studies, for the Awards for Faculty grant program, submitted to the Division of Research Programs.
5. Date: June 28, 2017.
This meeting will discuss applications on the subjects of History & Politics, for the Awards for Faculty grant program, submitted to the Division of Research Programs.
6. Date: June 29, 2017.
This meeting will discuss applications on the subjects of American History, American Studies & Social Sciences, for the Awards for Faculty grant program, submitted to the Division of Research Programs.

Because these meetings will include review of personal and/or proprietary financial and commercial information given in confidence to the agency by grant applicants, the meetings will be closed to the public pursuant to sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6) of Title 5, U.S.C., as amended. I have made this determination pursuant to the authority granted me by the Chairman’s Delegation of Authority to Close Advisory Committee Meetings dated April 15, 2016.

Elizabeth Voyatzis,
Committee Management Officer.

II. Docketed Proceeding(s)
This notice will be published in the Federal Register.

Stacy L. Ruble, Secretary.
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Investment Company Act Release No. 32630; 812–14699]

New Mountain Finance Corporation, et al.
AGENCY: Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”).
ACTION: Notice.

Notice of application for an order under sections 17(d) and 57(i) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the “Act”) and rule 17d–1 under the Act permitting certain joint transactions otherwise prohibited by sections 17(d) and 57(a)(4) of the Act and under rule 17d–1 under the Act.
SUMMARY OF APPLICATION: Applicants request an order to permit one or more business development companies (each, a “BDC”) and certain other closed-end management investment companies to co-invest in portfolio companies with each other and with affiliated investment funds.