

IV. Discussion and Commission Findings

Section 19(b)(2)(C) of the Act¹¹ directs the Commission to approve a proposed rule change of a self-regulatory organization if it finds that such proposed rule change is consistent with the requirements of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations thereunder applicable to such organization. After carefully considering the Proposed Rule Change, the Commission finds that the Proposed Rule Change is consistent with the requirements of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations thereunder applicable to DTC. In particular, the Commission finds that the Proposed Rule Change is consistent with Section 17A(b)(3)(F) of the Act,¹² as described in detail below.

Section 17A(b)(3)(F) of the Act requires, among other things, that a clearing agency's rules are designed to promote the prompt and accurate clearance and settlement of securities transactions.¹³

As described above in Section III, the Proposed Rule Change: (i) eliminates the need for a LT or the presentment of certain other physical documents; (ii) codifies into the Rules the existing process by which Agents opt-in to receive automated notifications; (iii) makes participation in the PWP process mandatory, with opt-out permitted only where necessary; (iv) establishes retention and destruction protocols for physical certificates; and (v) makes clarifying and conforming changes. Eliminating the need for the presentment of physical documents and its reliance on automated notifications and DTC's book-entry records should streamline the processing of eligible debt securities by reducing delays associated with the handling, transportation and reconciliation of physical certificates. The new process should introduce more efficiency and reliability in the redemption process by simplifying and modernizing the overall processing workflow. In addition, making participation in the PWP process mandatory, with only necessary opt-outs permitted, would allow both greater consistency in application and streamlining of the process for the collection and distribution of proceeds. Furthermore, the changes to the OA and Redemptions Guide improve clarity of the descriptions of PWP and enable DTC to more effectively communicate the new process outlined by the Proposed Rule Changes.

Because these changes should facilitate timely payments for debt securities with less operational risk, the Commission finds that the Proposed Rule Change should promote the prompt and accurate clearance and settlement of securities transactions, consistent with Section 17A(b)(3)(F) of the Act.¹⁴

V. Conclusion

On the basis of the foregoing, the Commission finds that the Proposed Rule Change is consistent with the requirements of the Act, and in particular, with the requirements of Section 17A of the Act¹⁵ and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

It is therefore ordered, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act¹⁶ that Proposed Rule Change SR-DTC-2026-009 be, and hereby is, *approved*.¹⁷

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.¹⁸

Sherry R. Haywood,

Assistant Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 13102]

Title: Notice of Public Meeting in Preparation for the International Maritime Organization's CCC 12

The Department of State will conduct a public meeting at 12:00 p.m. (EST) on Wednesday, September 2, 2026, both in-person at Coast Guard Headquarters in Washington, DC, and by teleconference through Microsoft Teams. The primary purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the twelfth session of the International Maritime Organization's (IMO) Sub-Committee on Carriage of Cargoes and Containers (CCC 12) to be held at IMO Headquarters in London, United Kingdom from Monday, September 14, 2026, to Friday, September 18, 2026.

The agenda items to be considered at CCC 12 include:

- Adoption of the agenda;
- Decisions of other IMO bodies;
- Amendments to the IGF Code and development of guidelines for alternative fuels and related technologies;

—Development of a safety regulatory framework to support the reduction of GHG emissions from ships using new technologies and alternative fuels;

—Amendments to the IMSBC Code and supplements;

—Amendments to the IMDG Code and supplements;

—Revision of the Revised guidelines for the preparation of the Cargo Securing Manual (MSC.1/Circ.1353/Rev.2) to include a harmonized performance standard for lashing software to permit lashing software as a supplement to the Cargo Securing Manual;

—Consideration of reports of incidents involving dangerous goods or marine pollutants in packaged form on board ships or in port areas;

—Unified interpretation of provisions of IMO safety, security, environment, facilitation, liability and compensation-related conventions;

—Biennial status report and provisional agenda for CCC 13;

—Election of the Chair and Vice-Chair for 2027;

—Any other business;

—Report to the Committees.

Please note: The IMO may, on short notice, adjust the CCC 12 agenda to accommodate any constraints associated with the meeting. Although no changes to the agenda are anticipated, if any are necessary, they will be provided to those who RSVP.

Members of the public may participate up to the capacity of the teleconference line, which can handle 500 participants or up to the seating capacity of the room if attending in-person. The meeting location will be the United States Coast Guard Headquarters, and the teleconference line will be provided to those who RSVP. To RSVP, participants should contact the meeting coordinator, LCDR Eva McNell, by email at Eva.M.McNell@uscg.mil, by phone at (571) 610-3684, or in writing at Hazardous Materials Division (CG-ENG-5), ATTN: LCDR Eva McNell, 2703 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave. SE, Stop 7509, Washington, DC 20593-7509, by August 19, 2026. Members of the public needing reasonable accommodation should advise LCDR Eva McNell no later than August 19, 2026. Requests made after that date will be considered but might not be possible to fulfill.

Additional information regarding this and other IMO public meetings may be found at: <https://www.dco.uscg.mil/IMO/International-Maritime-Organization/>.

¹¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2)(C).

¹² 15 U.S.C. 78q-1(b)(3)(F).

¹³ *Id.*

¹⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78q-1(b)(3)(F).

¹⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78q-1.

¹⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

¹⁷ In approving the Proposed Rule Change, the Commission considered its impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

¹⁸ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

(Authority: 22 U.S.C. 2656 and 5 U.S.C. 552.)

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SUSQUEHANNA RIVER BASIN COMMISSION

Commission Meeting

AGENCY: Susquehanna River Basin Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Susquehanna River Basin Commission will conduct its regular business meeting on September 16, 2026 in Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania. Details concerning the matters to be addressed at the business meeting are contained in the Supplementary Information section of this notice. Also, the Commission published a document in the **Federal Register** July 1, 2026 concerning its public hearing on July 30th, in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 16, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.

ADDRESSES: This public meeting will be conducted in person and digitally from the Holiday Inn Express Bloomsburg at 14 Mitchell Drive, Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania 17815.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jason E. Oyler, General Counsel and Secretary to the Commission, telephone: 717–238–0423; fax: 717–238–2436.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The business meeting will include actions or presentations on the following items: (1) Adoption of the preliminary FY2028 budget; (2) Adoption of the member jurisdiction allocation requests for FY2028; (3) Adoption of the Sustainable Water Resources Fund Policy; (4) Approval of contract and grants; and (5) 25 actions on 15 regulatory program projects.

This agenda is complete at the time of issuance, but other items may be added, and some stricken without further notice. The listing of an item on the agenda does not necessarily mean that the Commission will take final action on it at this meeting. When the Commission does take final action, notice of these actions will be published in the **Federal Register** after the meeting. Any actions specific to projects will also be provided in writing directly to project sponsors.

The meeting will be conducted both in person and digitally at the Holiday Inn Express Bloomsburg, 14 Mitchell

Drive, Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania. The public is invited to attend the Commission's business meeting. The public may access the Business Meeting remotely via TEAMS: <https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/25895460383427?p=EckuhuyUjqBvT3JdV>; Meeting ID: 258 954 603 834 27; Passcode: Ng9gP76V or via telephone: #1–929–777–2488, Phone Conf ID: 261 971 438#.

A public hearing and written comment period was provided for the actions on the 15 projects and the comment period on those proposed actions is closed. Written comments pertaining to all other items on the agenda at the business meeting may be mailed to the Susquehanna River Basin Commission, 4423 North Front Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17110–1788, or submitted electronically at the link Business Meeting Comments. Comments are due to the Commission for all items on the business meeting agenda on or before September 14, 2026. Comments will not be accepted at the business meeting noticed herein.

Authority: Public Law 91–575, 84 Stat. 1509 *et seq.*, 18 CFR parts 801, 806, and 808.

Dated: August 13, 2026.

Jason E. Oyler,

General Counsel and Secretary to the Commission.

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TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

Sunshine Act Meetings

TIME AND DATE: 1:00 p.m. CT on August 20, 2026.

PLACE: Halloran Centre for Performing Arts & Education, Memphis, Tennessee.

STATUS: Open.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Meeting No. 26–03

The TVA Board of Directors will hold a public meeting on August 20 at the Halloran Centre for Performing Arts & Education, 225 S. Main Street, in Memphis, Tennessee. The meeting will be called to order at 1:00 p.m. CT to consider the agenda items listed below.

On August 20, at the Halloran Centre for Performing Arts & Education, the public may comment on any agenda item or subject at a Board-hosted public listening session which begins at 9:00 a.m. CT and will last until 11:00 a.m. Preregistration is required to address the Board.

Agenda

1. Approval of May 21, 2026, Board Meeting Minutes
2. Report of the People and Governance Committee
 - A. Incentive Measures and Goals
3. Report of the Audit, Risk, and Cybersecurity Committee
 - A. External Auditor Selection
4. Report of the Operations and Nuclear Oversight Committee
5. Report of the Finance, Rates, and Portfolio Committee
 - A. FY27 Annual Budget
 - B. Rate Change Approval
 - C. Integrated Resource Plan
6. Report of the External Stakeholders and Regulation Committee
 - A. Load Greater than 100 MW
 - B. Mineral Rights Divestiture
7. Report from President and CEO

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:

For more information: Please contact Melissa Greene, TVA Media Relations at (865) 632–6000, Knoxville, Tennessee. Anyone who wishes to comment on any of the agenda in writing may send their comments to: TVA Board of Directors, Board Agenda Comments, 400 West Summit Hill Drive, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

Dated: August 13, 2026.

Edward C. Meade,

Agency Liaison.

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

[Docket Number USTR–2026–0496]

Request for Comments and Notice of Public Hearing Concerning China's Compliance With WTO Commitments

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Request for comments and notice of public hearing.

SUMMARY: The Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR) is seeking public comments to assist in the preparation of its annual report to Congress on China's compliance with its obligations as a Member of the World Trade Organization (WTO). This notice includes the schedule for the submission of comments for the China report and a public hearing.

DATES:

September 17, 2026, at 11:59 p.m. EDT: Deadline for submission of written comments, requests to testify, and written testimony.

September 30, 2026, at 9:30 a.m. EDT: USTR will convene a public hearing to