Regulatory Guide DG–1161. In that the NRC staff will use its guidance to ensure more focused and consistent review of PRAs as a basis for regulatory decision-making for light-water reactors.

The NRC intends to update Regulatory Guide 1.200 and its associated SRP Section 19.1, and to develop an additional appendix or revise an existing appendix (as required), to set forth the staff’s position when a new or revised PRA standard or industry program is published.

The NRC staff is soliciting comments on Draft Regulatory Guide DG–1161, as well as draft Revision 2 of SRP Section 19.1. Please mention the relevant document identifiers (DG–1161 and/or SRP 19.1) in the subject line of your comments; comments may be accompanied by relevant information or supporting data. Comments submitted in writing or in electronic form will be made available to the public in their entirety through the NRC’s Agencwide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS). Personal information will not be removed from your comments. You may submit comments by any of the following methods.

Mail comments to: Rules and Directives Branch, Office of Administration, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555–0001.

E-mail comments to: NRCREP@nrc.gov. You may also submit comments via the NRC’s rulemaking Web site at http://ruleforum.llnl.gov. Address questions about our rulemaking Web site to Carol A. Gallagher (301) 415–5905; e-mail CAG@nrc.gov.

Hand-deliver comments to: Rules and Directives Branch, Office of Administration, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852, between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. on Federal workdays.

Fax comments to: Rules and Directives Branch, Office of Administration, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission at (301) 415–5144. Requests for technical information about Draft Regulatory Guide DG–1161 and/or draft Revision 2 of SRP Section 19.1 may be directed to Ms. Mary T. Drouin, at (301) 415–6675 or MXD@nrc.gov.

Comments would be most helpful if received by October 14, 2006. Comments received after that date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the NRC is able to ensure consideration only for comments received on or before this date. Although a time limit is given, comments and suggestions in connection with items for inclusion in guides currently being developed or improvements in all published guides are encouraged at any time.


In addition, Draft Regulatory Guide DG–1161, draft Revision 2 of SRP Section 19.1, and other related publicly available documents, including public comments received, can be viewed electronically on computers in the NRC’s Public Document Room (PDR), which is located at 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland. The PDR reproduction contractor will make copies of documents for a fee. The PDR’s mailing address is USNRC PDR, Washington, DC 20555–0001. The PDR can also be reached by telephone at (301) 415–4737 or (800) 397–4205, by fax at (301) 415–3548, and by e-mail to PDR@nrc.gov.

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(5 U.S.C. 552(a))

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 8th day of September 2006.

For the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Farouk Eltawila,
Director, Division of Risk Assessment and Special Projects, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research.

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PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION

Required Interest Rate Assumption for Determining Variable-Rate Premium for Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Multiemployer Plan Valuations Following Mass Withdrawal

AGENCY: Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

ACTION: Notice of interest rates and assumptions.

SUMMARY: This notice informs the public of the interest rates and assumptions to be used under certain Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation regulations. These rates and assumptions are published elsewhere (or can be derived from rates published elsewhere), but are collected and published in this notice for the convenience of the public. Interest rates are also published on the PBGC’s Web site (http://www.pbgc.gov).

DATES: The required interest rate for determining the variable-rate premium under part 4006 applies to premium payment years beginning in September 2006. The interest assumptions for performing multiemployer plan valuations following mass withdrawal under part 4281 apply to valuation dates occurring in October 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Catherine B. Klion, Manager, Regulatory and Policy Division, Legislative and Regulatory Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, 1200 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005, 202–326–4024. (TTY/TDD users may call the Federal relay service toll-free at 1–800–877–8339 and ask to be connected to 202–326–4024.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Variable-Rate Premiums

Section 4006(a)(3)(E)(iii)(II) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and § 4006.4(b)(1) of the PBGC’s regulation on Premium Rates (29 CFR part 4006) prescribe use of an assumed interest rate (the “required interest rate”) in determining a single-employer plan’s variable-rate premium. Pursuant to the Pension Protection Act of 2006, for premium payment years beginning in 2006 or 2007, the required interest rate is the

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applicable percentage” (currently 85 percent) of the annual rate of interest determined by the Secretary of the Treasury on amounts invested conservatively in long-term investment grade corporate bonds for the month preceding the beginning of the plan year for which premiums are being paid (the “premium payment year”). Thus, the required interest rate to be used in determining variable-rate premiums for premium payment years beginning in September 2006 is 5.19 percent (i.e., 85 percent of the 6.11 percent composite corporate bond rate for August 2006 as determined by the Treasury).

The following table lists the required interest rates to be used in determining variable-rate premiums for premium payment years beginning between October 2005 and September 2006.

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Multiemployer Plan Valuations Following Mass Withdrawal

The PBGC’s regulation on Duties of Plan Sponsor Following Mass Withdrawal (29 CFR part 4281) prescribes the use of interest assumptions under the PBGC’s regulation on Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans (29 CFR part 4044). The interest assumptions applicable to valuation dates in October 2006 under part 4044 are contained in an amendment to part 4044 published elsewhere in today’s Federal Register. Tables showing the assumptions applicable to prior periods are codified in appendix B to 29 CFR part 4044.

Issued in Washington, DC, on this 11th day of September 2006.

Vincent K. Snowbarger,
Interim Director, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Proposed Collections; Comment Request

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

Extensions: Schedule 14D–1F; OMB Control No. 3235–0376; SEC File No. 270–338; Schedule 14D–9F; OMB Control No. 3235–0382; SEC File No. 270–339

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Papworth Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.) the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) is soliciting comments on the collections of information summarized below. The Commission plans to submit these existing collections of information to the Office of Management and Budget for approval.

Schedule 14D–1F (17 CFR 240.14d–102) may be used by any person making a cash tender or exchange offer for securities of any issuer incorporated or organized under the laws of Canada or any Canadian province or territory that is a foreign private issuer, where less than 40% of the outstanding class of such issuer’s securities that is the subject of the offer is held by U.S. holders. Schedule 14D–1F is designed to facilitate cross-border transactions in securities of Canadian issuers. The information required to be filed with the Commission is intended to permit verification of compliance with the securities law requirements and assures the public availability of such information. Schedule 14D–1F takes approximately 2 hours per response to prepare and is filed by 5 respondents annually for a total reporting burden of 10 hours.

Schedule 14D–9F (17 CFR 240.14d–103) is used by any issuer incorporated or organized under the laws of Canada or any Canadian province or territory that is a foreign private issuer, or by any director or officer of such issuer, where the issuer is the subject of a cash tender or exchange offer for a class of securities filed on Schedule 14D–1F. The information required to be filed with the Commission is intended to permit verification of compliance with the securities law requirements and assures the public availability of such information. Schedule 14D–9F takes approximately 2 hours per response to prepare and is filed by 5 respondents annually for a total reporting burden of 10 hours.

Written comments are invited on: (a) Whether these proposed collections of information are 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 imposed by the collections of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information 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.

Please direct your written comments to R. Corey Booth, Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, c/o Shirley Martinson, 6432 General Green Way, Alexandria, Virginia 22312; or send an e-mail to PRA Mailbox@sec.gov.

Dated: September 6, 2006.

Nancy M. Morris,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. IC–27478; File No. 812–13022]

IDS Life Insurance Company, et al.,
Notice of Application

September 8, 2006.

AGENCY: Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”).

ACTION: Notice of an application for an order pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (“1940 Act”) granting exemptions from the provisions of Sections 2(a)(32), 22(c) and 27(i)(2)(A) of the 1940 Act and Rule 22c–1 thereunder.


1 Formerly American Express Financial Advisors Inc.