

respondents, resulting in an estimated industry-wide ongoing annual cost of \$25,200.

The Commission estimates that the provisions of paragraph (b)(1) applicable to broker-dealer SBSBs and broker-dealer MSBSBs and paragraphs (b)(15) and (b)(16) of Rule 17a-4 impose ongoing annual cost of approximately \$600 per firm. The Commission estimates that there are 17 respondents, resulting in an estimated industry-wide ongoing annual cost of \$10,200.

The Commission estimates that the provisions of paragraph (b)(1) of Rule 17a-4 that apply only to broker-dealer SBSBs imposes an additional ongoing annual cost of approximately \$120 per firm to broker-dealer SBSBs. The Commission estimates that there are 16 broker-dealer SBSBs, resulting in an estimated industry-wide ongoing annual cost of \$1,920.

Written comments are invited on: (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection 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 by November 1, 2022.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information under the PRA unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Please direct your written comments to: David Bottom, Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, c/o John Pezzullo, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549, or send an email to: PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov.

Dated: August 29, 2022.

J. Matthew DeLesDernier,
Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[SEC File No. 270-561, OMB Control No. 3235-0747]

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Extension: Rule 607

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of FOIA Services, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549-2736

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 (the "Commission") has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget a request for extension of the previously approved collection of information discussed below.

Regulation E (17 CFR 230.601-230.610a) exempts from registration under the Securities Act of 1933 (15 U.S.C. 77a *et seq.*) ("Securities Act") securities issued by a small business investment company ("SBIC") which is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-1 *et seq.*) ("Investment Company Act") or a closed-end investment company that has elected to be regulated as a business development company ("BDC") under the Investment Company Act, so long as the aggregate offering price of all securities of the issuer that may be sold within a 12-month period does not exceed \$5,000,000 and certain other conditions are met. Rule 607 under Regulation E (17 CFR 230.607) entitled, "Sales material to be filed," requires sales material used in connection with securities offerings under Regulation E to be filed with the Commission at least five days (excluding weekends and holidays) prior to its use.¹ Commission staff reviews sales material filed under rule 607 for materially misleading statements and omissions. The requirements of rule 607 are designed to protect investors from the use of false or misleading sales material in connection with Regulation E offerings.

Respondents to this collection of information include SBICs and BDCs making an offering of securities pursuant to Regulation E. No filings were submitted to the Commission under rule 607 in 2019, 2020 or 2021. Accordingly, we estimate no annual

¹ Sales material includes advertisements, articles or other communications to be published in newspapers, magazines, or other periodicals; radio and television scripts; and letters, circulars or other written communications proposed to be sent given or otherwise communicated to more than ten persons.

responses. Each respondent's reporting burden under rule 607 relates to the internal burden associated with filing its sales material electronically, which is negligible. For administrative purposes, we estimate an annual burden of one hour.

The requirements of this collection of information are mandatory. Responses will not be kept confidential. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number.

The public may view background documentation for this information collection at the following website: www.reginfo.gov. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice by October 3, 2022 to (i) MBX.OMB.OIRA.SEC_desk_officer@omb.eop.gov and (ii) David Bottom, Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, c/o John Pezzullo, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549, or by sending an email to: PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov.

Dated: August 29, 2022.

J. Matthew DeLesDernier,
Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Investment Company Act Release No. 34690; File No. 812-15286]

John Hancock Asset-Based Lending Fund, et al.

August 29, 2022.

AGENCY: Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission" or "SEC").
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 to permit certain joint transactions otherwise prohibited by sections 17(d) and 57(a)(4) of the Act and rule 17d-1 under the Act.

SUMMARY OF APPLICATION: Applicants request an order to permit certain business development companies ("BDCs") and closed-end management investment companies to co-invest in portfolio companies with each other and

with certain affiliated investment entities.

APPLICANTS: John Hancock Asset-Based Lending Fund, John Hancock Investment Management LLC, Marathon Asset Management LP, Marathon Secured Private Strategies Master Fund II A, L.P., Marathon Secured Private Strategies Master Fund II B, L.P., Marathon Secured Private Strategies REIT II, LLC, Marathon Health Care Finance Fund, L.P., Marathon Healthcare Finance (Europe) Investment Fund, Marathon Distressed Credit Master Fund, Marathon Distressed Credit Master (Cayman) Fund, LP, Marathon StepStone Master Fund LP, Marathon Securitized Credit Master Fund, Ltd, Marathon ECO IV SCA SICAV—RAIF, Marathon Centre Street Partnership, LP, TRS Credit Fund, LP, Marathon Blue Grass Credit Fund, LP, Marathon Currituck Fund, LP—Series A, Marathon Currituck Fund, LP—Series C, Marathon Currituck Fund, LP—Series D, Marathon Secured Private Strategies Master Fund III A, L.P., Marathon Secured Private Strategies Master Fund III B, L.P., Marathon Secured Private Strategies Master Fund III C, L.P., Marathon SPS IA Fund, L.P., Marathon Strategic Opportunities Program, LP.

FILING DATES: The application was filed on December 1, 2021, and amended on May 11, 2022 and August 8, 2022.

HEARING OR NOTIFICATION OF HEARING: An order granting the requested relief will be issued unless the Commission orders a hearing. Interested persons may request a hearing on any application by emailing the SEC's Secretary at Secretaries-Office@sec.gov and serving the Applicants with a copy of the request by email, if an email address is listed for the relevant Applicant below, or personally or by mail, if a physical address is listed for the relevant Applicant below. Hearing requests should be received by the Commission by 5:30 p.m. on September 23, 2022, and should be accompanied by proof of service on applicants, in the form of an affidavit or, for lawyers, a certificate of service. Pursuant to rule 0–5 under the Act, hearing requests should state the nature of the writer's interest, any facts bearing upon the desirability of a hearing on the matter, the reason for the request, and the issues contested. Persons who wish to be notified of a hearing may request notification by emailing the Commission's Secretary at Secretaries-Office@sec.gov.

ADDRESSES: The Commission: Secretaries-Office@sec.gov. Applicants: marathonlegal@marathonfund.com and aayanna@jhancock.com.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Barbara T. Heussler, Senior Counsel, or Trace W. Rakestraw, Branch Chief, at (202) 551–6825 (Division of Investment Management, Chief Counsel's Office).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For Applicants' representations, legal analysis, and conditions, please refer to Applicants' second amended and restated application, dated August 8, 2022, which may be obtained via the Commission's website by searching for the file number at the top of this document, or for an Applicant using the Company name search field, on the SEC's EDGAR system. The SEC's EDGAR system may be searched at, <http://www.sec.gov/edgar/searchedgar/legacy/companysearch.html>. You may also call the SEC's Public Reference Room at (202) 551–8090.

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

J. Matthew DeLesDernier,
Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 11846]

U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy Notice of Meeting

The U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy (ACPD) will hold an in-person public meeting with optional online viewing on Friday, September 23, 2022, from 12:00 p.m. until 1:15 p.m. During the meeting, a panel of policy and academic experts will discuss public diplomacy efforts to counter disinformation effects in sub-Saharan Africa.

This meeting is open to the public, including the media and members and staff of governmental and non-governmental organizations. The event will take place at the International Student House of Washington DC at 1825 R St. NW, Washington, DC. Please register for the in-person event here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/pd-approaches-to-counter-disinformation-in-sub-saharan-africa-tickets-400075385247>. Doors will open at 11:30 a.m. There will be an option to view the event virtually by accessing the Zoom link in the Eventbrite invitation.

To request reasonable accommodation, please email ACPD Program Assistant Kristy Zamary at ZamaryKK@state.gov. Please send any request for reasonable accommodation no later than September 12, 2022. Requests received after that date will be

considered but might not be possible to fulfill.

Since 1948, the ACPD has been charged with appraising activities intended to understand, inform, and influence foreign publics and to increase the understanding of, and support for, these same activities. The ACPD conducts research that provides honest assessments of public diplomacy efforts, and disseminates findings through reports, white papers, and other publications. It also holds public symposiums that generate informed discussions on public diplomacy issues and events. The Commission reports to the President, Secretary of State, and Congress and is supported by the Office of the Under Secretary of State for Public Diplomacy and Public Affairs.

For more information on the U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy, please visit <https://www.state.gov/bureaus-offices/under-secretary-for-public-diplomacy-and-public-affairs/united-states-advisory-commission-on-public-diplomacy/>, or contact Executive Director Vivian S. Walker at WalkerVS@state.gov or Senior Advisor Deneyse Kirkpatrick at kirkpatrickda2@state.gov.

Vivian S. Walker,

Executive Director, U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

Notice of Funding Opportunity for the Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements Program

AGENCY: Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of funding opportunity (NOFO or notice).

SUMMARY: This notice details the application requirements and procedures to obtain grant funding for eligible projects under the Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements Program for Fiscal Year 2022. This notice solicits applications for program funds made available by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022 and the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. This notice also solicits applications for projects under the Magnetic Levitation Technology Deployment Program, funded by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021. The opportunity described in this notice