same file as the submission itself, and not as separate files.

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#### Rachel S. Bae,

Director for Intellectual Property and Innovation.

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# **OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT** CORPORATION

## September 15, 2008 Public Hearing

Time and Date: 2 p.m., Monday, September 15, 2008.

Place: Offices of the Corporation, Twelfth Floor Board Room, 1100 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC.

Status: Hearing open to the Public at

Purpose: Public Hearing in conjunction with each meeting of OPIC's Board of Directors, to afford an opportunity for any person to present views regarding the activities of the Corporation.

Procedures: Individuals wishing to address the hearing orally must provide advance notice to OPIC's Corporate Secretary no later than 5 p.m. Thursday, September 11, 2008. The notice must include the individual's name, title, organization, address, and telephone number, and a concise summary of the subject matter to be presented.

Oral presentations may not exceed ten (10) minutes. The time for individual presentations may be reduced proportionately, if necessary, to afford all participants who have submitted a timely request to participate an opportunity to be heard.

Participants wishing to submit a written statement for the record must submit a copy of such statement to OPIC's Corporate Secretary no later than 5 p.m. Thursday, September 11, 2008. Such statements must be typewritten, double-spaced, and may not exceed twenty-five (25) pages.

Upon receipt of the required notice, OPIC will prepare an agenda for the

hearing identifying speakers, setting forth the subject on which each participant will speak, and the time allotted for each presentation. The agenda will be available at the hearing.

A written summary of the hearing will be compiled, and such summary will be made available, upon written request to OPIC's Corporate Secretary, at the cost of reproduction.

Contact Person for Information: Information on the hearing may be obtained from Connie M. Downs at (202) 336-8438, via facsimile at (202) 218-0136, or via e-mail at Connie.Downs@opic.gov.

Dated: September 3, 2008.

## Connie M. Downs,

OPIC Corporate Secretary.

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# **OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT** CORPORATION

# September 18, 2008 Board of Directors Meeting

Time and Date: Thursday, September 18, 2008, 10 a.m. (Open Portion); 10:15 a.m. (Closed Portion).

*Place:* Offices of the Corporation, Twelfth Floor Board Room, 1100 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC.

Status: Meeting OPEN to the Public from 10 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. Closed portion will commence at 10:15 a.m. (approx.).

Matters To Be Considered:

- 1. President's Report
- 2. Approval of July 17, 2008 Minutes (Open Portion)

Further Matters To Be Considered: (Closed to the Public 10:15 a.m.)

- 1. Report from Audit Committee 2. Finance Project—Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras
  - 3. Finance Project—Liberia
- 4. Finance Project—South Africa5. Finance Project—Mexico, Nicaragua, El Salvador, Peru, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Cambodia, Bosnia, Kenya
  - 6. Finance Project—Botswana
- 7. Finance Project—Bulgaria and the Balkans
- 8. Finance Project—Asia
- 9. Finance Project—South Asia
- 10. Finance Project—Global
- 11. Finance Project—Global
- 12. Finance Project—Global
- 13. Finance Project—Global
- 14. Finance Project—Latin America 15. Finance Project—Latin America
- 16. Finance Project—Latin America
- 17. Finance Project—Mexico and Central America

- 18. Finance Project—Central and South America
- 19. Approval of July 17, 2008 Minutes (Closed Portion)
  - 20. Pending Major Projects
- 21. Reports

Contact Person for Information: Information on the meeting may be obtained from Connie M. Downs at (202) 336-8438.

Dated: September 3, 2008.

### Connie M. Downs,

Corporate Secretary, Overseas Private Investment Corporation.

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## **SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE** COMMISSION

# Submission for OMB Review; **Comment Request**

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Investor Education and Advocacy, Washington, DC 20549-0213.

Form N-17D-1; SEC File No. 270-231; OMB Control No. 3235-0229.

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget a request for extension of the previously approved collection of information discussed below.

Section 17(d) (15 U.S.C. 80a-17(d)) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 ("Act") authorizes the Commission to adopt rules that protect funds and their security holders from overreaching by affiliated persons when the fund and the affiliated person participate in any joint enterprise or other joint arrangement or profit-sharing plan. Rule 17d-1 under the Act (17 CFR 270.17d-1) prohibits funds and their affiliated persons from participating in a joint enterprise, unless an application regarding the transaction has been filed with and approved by the Commission. Paragraph (d)(3) of the rule provides an exemption from this requirement for any loan or advance of credit to, or acquisition of securities or other property of, a small business concern, or any agreement to do any of the foregoing ("investments") made by a small business investment company ("SBIC") and an affiliated bank, provided that reports about the investments are made on forms the Commission may prescribe. Rule 17d-2 (17 CFR 270.17d-2) designates Form N-