

12(a) of the Exchange Act specifically, the Commission receive notification of any securities that are permitted to trade on an exchange pursuant to the temporary exemption under Rule 12a-5. Without the Rule and the Form, the Commission would be unable fully to implement these statutory responsibilities.

There are currently eleven national securities exchanges subject to Rule 12a-5. The Commission staff estimates that there could be one Form 26 filed every five years. The reporting burdens are not typically spread evenly among the exchanges. For purposes of this analysis of burden, however, the Commission staff has assumed that each exchange files an equal number of Form 26 notifications. Each notification requires approximately 20 minutes to complete. Accordingly, the Commission staff estimates the annual aggregate compliance burden for all respondents in a given year would be approximately 4 minutes (20 minutes/report  $\times$  .2 reports/year = 4 minutes), and for each respondent the annual compliance burden would be approximately .36 minutes (4 minutes/respondent  $\div$  11 respondents = .36 minutes), or .006 hours.

Based on the most recent available information, the Commission staff estimates that the cost to respondents of completing a notification on Form 26 is, on average, \$43.23 per response. Therefore, the Commission staff estimates that the total annual related reporting cost per respondent is \$.86 (.02 responses/respondent/year  $\times$  \$43.23 cost/response), for a total annual related cost to all respondents of \$9.46 (\$.86 cost/respondent  $\times$  11 respondents).

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 estimates of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be 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.

Comments should be directed to Lewis W. Walker, Acting Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, c/o Shirley Martinson, 6432 General Green Way,

Alexandria, VA 22312 or send an e-mail to: [PRA\\_Mailbox@sec.gov](mailto:PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov).

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**Florence E. Harmon,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

### Proposed Collection; Comment Request

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

#### Extension:

Form N-54A; SEC File No. 270-182; OMB Control No. 3235-0237.

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") is soliciting comments on the collection of information summarized below. The Commission plans to submit this existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for extension and approval.

- Form N-54A (17 CFR 274.53) under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-1 *et seq.*) (the "Act"); Notification of Election to be Subject to Sections 55 through 65 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-54 through 64) Filed Pursuant to Section 54(a) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 80a-53(a)).

Form N-54A is a notification to the Commission of election to be regulated as a business development company. A company making such an election only has to file a Form N-54A once.

It is estimated that approximately 6 respondents per year file with the Commission a Form N-54A. Form N-54A requires approximately 0.5 burden hours per response resulting from creating and filing the information required by the Form. The total burden hours for Form N-54A would be 3.0 hours per year in the aggregate. The estimated annual burden of 3.0 hours represents a decrease of 20.0 hours over the prior estimate of 23.0 hours. The decrease in burden hours is attributable to a decrease in the number of respondents from 46 to 6.

The estimate of average burden hours for Form N-54A is made solely for the purposes of the PRA and is not derived from a comprehensive or even

representative survey or study of the costs of Commission rules and forms.

Written comments are invited on: (a) 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; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the 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 within 60 days of this publication.

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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### Calamos Convertible Opportunities and Income Fund, et al.; Notice of Application

October 7, 2008.

**AGENCY:** Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission").

**ACTION:** Notice of application under section 6(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 ("Act") for an exemption from section 19(b) of the Act and rule 19b-1 under the Act.

*Summary of Application:* Applicants request an order to permit certain closed-end investment companies to make periodic distributions of long-term capital gains with respect to their outstanding common stock as frequently as twelve times each year, and as frequently as distributions are specified by or in accordance with the terms of any outstanding preferred stock that such investment companies may issue.

*Applicants:* Calamos Convertible Opportunities and Income Fund, Calamos Convertible and High Income Fund, Calamos Strategic Total Return