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made by the certificate holder before the first regular payment upon which there would be a reduction in the rate of the applicable sales charge below 9 percent of the certificate holder's gross payment.

(9) The percentage that the total charges set forth in Item 8 are of the total payments included under Instruction 8 above.

(10) The number of regular monthly payments required to be made before the rate of the sales charges deducted from such regular payment is reduced to less than 9 percent of the certificate holder's gross payment.

(11) The dollar amount of the charges to be deducted from each payment made by the certificate holder after the first regular payment upon which there would be a reduction in the rate of the applicable sales charge below 9 percent of the certificate holder's gross payment. If a portion of the payments is used for the purchase of completion insurance, the amount attributable thereto shall not be included as a charge and the following phrase shall be added: "Apart from insurance premiums based upon the amount of coverage in effect at the time of payment."

(12) The percentage that the amount of the charges set forth in Item 11 are of the amount of the payment included under Instruction 11 above.

(13) The date which is 45 days from the date on which the notice will be mailed.

(14) The number of monthly or quarterly payments provided for under the plan.

(15) The dollar amount of each scheduled periodic payment to be made by the certificate holder.

(16) The period (e.g., month, quarter) for which payments are scheduled to be made under the plan.

(17) The dollar amount of total payments scheduled to be made over the full term of the plan by the certificate holder.

(18) The total dollar amount of all charges scheduled to be deducted over the full term of the plan.

(19) The percentage that the total charges as set forth in Item 18 are of the total payments scheduled to be made by the certificate holder over the full term of the plan.

(20) The name and address of the custodian bank or other person authorized to accept surrendered certificates.

(21) The date which is 45 days from the date on which the notice will be mailed.

(22) The name of a responsible officer of the sender with his title.

(Secs. 27(e), 27(f), 38(a), 54 Stat. 829, 841; 15 U.S.C. 80a-27(e), 80a-27(f), 80a-37(a); sec. 16, Pub. L. 91-547, 84 Stat. 1424-1425; sec. 6(c), 15 U.S.C. 80a-6(c))

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§ 270.27g-1 Election to be governed by section 27(h).

(a) If any registered investment company which issues or intends to issue a periodic payment plan certificate chooses to be governed by the provisions of section 27(h) (of the Act) rather than the provisions of sections 27 (a) and (d) (of the Act), it shall signify such choice by filing with the Commission as an exhibit to its registration statement filed under the Securities Act of 1933 a written Notice of Election to be so governed.

(b) Any registered investment company issuing periodic payment plan certificates which has elected, in accordance with paragraph (a) of this section, to be governed by the provisions of section 27(h) of the Act may thereafter withdraw such election by filing with the Commission, in the manner specified for filing a Notice of Election, a written Notice of Withdrawal of Election: *Provided, however,* That no such withdrawal of election shall be made within 12 months of an election by such company under paragraph (a) of this section and, provided further that such company may not thereafter elect to be governed by the provisions of section 27(h) (of the Act) until an additional 12-month period has elapsed.

[36 FR 13139, July 15, 1971]

§ 270.27h-1 Exemptions from section 27(h)(4) for certain payments.

(a) For purposes of this section and section 27(h)(4) of the Act (1) "minimum monthly payment, or its equivalent," shall be the amount of the smallest monthly installment scheduled to be made during the life of the plan; and (2) "quarter" shall be the 3-month period which commences on the date a periodic payment plan is issued and each 3-month period thereafter.

(b) The provisions of section 27(h) (4) (of the Act) shall not apply to:

(1) That portion of the first payment on a periodic payment plan certificate which equals the amount of five minimum monthly payments: *Provided, however,* That the deduction for sales load on any other payments received during the first quarter after the

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issuance of the certificate may not exceed the sales load applicable to payments subsequent to the first 48 monthly payments or their equivalent;

(2) A payment or payments received in any subsequent quarter which equals the amount of three minimum monthly payments: *Provided, however,* That after an amount equivalent to three minimum monthly payments (not including payments of arrears) is received in any such subsequent quarter the deduction for sales load on any additional payments received in such quarter may not exceed the sales load applicable to payments subsequent to the first 48 monthly payments or their equivalent;

(3) Payments of arrears by a certificate holder who is delinquent in his payments; and

(4) Any payments made on a periodic payment plan certificate out of the proceeds of completion insurance received upon the death of the certificate holder.

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§ 270.28b-1 Investment in loans partially or wholly guaranteed under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944, as amended.

(a) The term *qualified investments* as used in section 28(b) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 shall include:

(1) Any loan, any portion of which is guaranteed under Title III of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944, as amended, and which is secured by a first lien on real estate: *Provided,* The amount of the loan not so guaranteed does not exceed 66⅔ percent of the reasonable value of such real estate as determined by proper appraisal made by an appraiser designated by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs;

(2) Any secondary loan the full amount of which is guaranteed under section 505(a) of Title III of the above mentioned act and which is secured by a second lien on real estate:

Provided, however, That any such loan shall be deemed a qualified investment only so long as (i) insurance policies are required to be procured and maintained in an amount sufficient to protect the security against the risks or hazards to which it may be subjected to the extent customary in the local-

ity, and (ii) the loan shall remain guaranteed under Title III of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944, as amended, to the extent specified in paragraph (a) (1) or (2) of this section, as the case may be.

(b) Loans made pursuant to this section shall be valued at the original principal amount of the loan less all payments made thereon which have been applied to the reduction of such principal amount.

(Secs. 28(b), 38, 54 Stat. 832, 841; 15 U.S.C. 80a-28(b), 80a-38)

[Rule N-28B-1, 11 FR 6483, June 13, 1946]

§ 270.30a-1 Annual report.

A registered management investment company required to file an annual report pursuant to section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and section 30(a) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 shall be deemed to have satisfied its requirement to file an annual report by the filing of semi-annual reports on form N-SAR in accordance with the rules and procedures specified thereof. Every registered unit investment trust shall file an annual report on form N-SAR with respect to each calendar year not more than sixty calendar days after the close of each year. A registered unit investment trust that has filed a registration statement with the Commission registered its securities for the first time under the Securities Act of 1933 is relieved of this reporting obligation with respect to any reporting period or portion thereof prior to the date on which that registration statement becomes effective or is withdrawn.

(Secs. 13, 15(d) and 23(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78m, 78o(d), and 78w(a)) and secs. 8, 30 and 38 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8, 80a-29 and 80a-37))

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§ 270.30b1-1 Semi-annual report.

Every registered management investment company shall file a semi-annual report on form N-SAR, not more than sixty calendar days after the close of each fiscal year and fiscal second quarter. A registered management company that has filed a registration statement