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in writing, will suffice for a conflict of interest review. Therefore, the agency may exclude the auditor from filing a confidential disclosure report under this subpart.

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§ 2634.906 Review of confidential filer status.

The head of each agency, or an officer designated by the head of the agency for that purpose, shall review any complaint by an individual that his position has been improperly determined by the agency to be one which requires the submission of a confidential financial disclosure report pursuant to this subpart. A decision by the agency head or designee regarding the complaint shall be final and conclusive for all purposes, notwithstanding any other provision of law or regulation. This procedure is the sole and exclusive means of seeking review of an agency's decision to designate positions and the employees therein for filing confidential financial disclosure reports.

NOTE: The provision in this section for a final decision by the agency head or designee is intended to preclude administrative or negotiated grievances, arbitration procedures, and any other review or appeal, either within or outside the agency. This finality of the agency head's (or designee's) decision is necessary in order to maintain the prompt and orderly administration of the executive branch confidential financial disclosure system.

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§ 2634.907 Report contents.

(a) Other than the reports of confidential filers described in § 2634.904(c), each confidential financial disclosure report filed pursuant to § 2634.903 of this subpart shall include on the standard form prescribed by the Office of Government Ethics (see § 2634.601 of subpart F of this part) and in accordance with instructions issued by the Office, a full and complete statement of information about himself, his spouse and his dependent children, required to be reported according to the provisions of subpart C of this part, (except for those provisions in subpart C requiring the reporting of the amounts or values of any item), with respect to the following:

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(1) *Interests in property.* All the interests in property specified by § 2634.301, except:

(i) Accounts (including both demand and time deposits) in depository institutions, including banks, savings and loan associations, credit unions, and similar depository financial institutions;

(ii) Money market mutual funds and accounts;

(iii) U.S. Government obligations, including Treasury bonds, bills, notes, and savings bonds; and

(iv) Government securities issued by U.S. Government agencies;

(2) *Income.* All the income items specified by § 2634.302, except from:

(i) Accounts (including both demand and time deposits) in depository institutions, including banks, savings and loan associations, credit unions, and similar depository financial institutions;

(ii) Money market mutual funds and accounts;

(iii) U.S. Government obligations, including Treasury bonds, bills, notes, and savings bonds; and

(iv) Government securities issued by U.S. Government agencies;

(3) *Gifts and reimbursements.* All gifts and reimbursements specified by § 2634.304 (except that new entrants, as described in § 2634.903(b) of this subpart, need not report any information on gifts and reimbursements);

(4) *Liabilities.* All liabilities specified by § 2634.305;

(5) *Agreements and arrangements.* All agreements and arrangements specified by § 2634.306; and

(6) *Outside positions.* All outside positions specified by § 2634.307.

(b) For reports of confidential filers described in § 2634.904(c) of this subpart, each supplemental confidential financial disclosure report shall include only the supplemental information:

(1) Which is more extensive than that required in the reporting individual's public financial disclosure report under this part; and

(2) Which has been approved by the Office of Government Ethics for collection by the agency concerned, as set forth in supplemental agency regulations and forms, issued under §§ 2634.103

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and 2634.601(b) (see § 2634.901 (b) and (c) of this subpart).

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§ 2634.908 Reporting periods.

(a) *Incumbents.* Each confidential financial disclosure report filed under § 2634.903(a) of this subpart shall include on the standard form prescribed by the Office of Government Ethics and in accordance with instructions issued by the Office, a full and complete statement of the information required to be reported according to the provisions of this subpart for the preceding twelve months ending September 30, or for any portion of that period not covered by a previous confidential or public financial disclosure report filed under this part.

(b) *New entrants.* Each confidential financial disclosure report filed under § 2634.903(b) of this subpart shall include, on the standard form prescribed by the Office of Government Ethics and in accordance with instructions issued by the Office, a full and complete statement of the information required to be reported according to the provisions of this subpart for the preceding twelve months from the date of filing.

§ 2634.909 Procedures, penalties, and ethics agreements.

(a) The provisions of subpart F of this part govern the filing procedures and forms for, and the custody and review of, confidential disclosure reports filed under this subpart.

(b) For penalties and remedial action which apply in the event that the reporting individual fails to file, falsifies information, or files late with respect to confidential financial disclosure reports, see subpart G of this part.

(c) Subpart H of this part on ethics agreements applies to both the public and confidential reporting systems under this part.

Subpart J—Certificates of Divestiture

SOURCE: 55 FR 14408, Apr. 18, 1990, unless otherwise noted.

§ 2634.1001 Nonrecognition for sales to comply with conflict of interest requirements; general considerations.

(a) *Purpose.* This subpart establishes the procedures and policies of the Office of Government Ethics with respect to the issuance of Certificates of Divestiture pursuant to section 1043 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (hereinafter in this subpart referred to as “section 1043”).

(b) *Scope.* Section 1043 and the rules of this subpart provide for nonrecognition of gain in the case of sales to comply with conflict of interest requirements. The rules of this subpart relate to the issuance of Certificates of Divestiture and the permitted property into which a reinvestment must be made during the 60-day period beginning on the date of such a sale in order for nonrecognition to be permitted. Such reinvestments are called rollovers, and are limited to obligations of the United States and diversified investment funds as defined in § 2634.1003. The substantive and procedural rules relating to the tax aspects of such sales and rollovers pursuant to the statutory scheme are subject to the jurisdiction of the Internal Revenue Service. Eligible persons should seek the advice of their personal tax advisors for guidance as to the tax aspects of divestiture transactions and whether proposed acquisitions meet the requirements for permitted property. Internal Revenue Service regulations and other guidance should be consulted as to these matters. Internal Revenue Service requirements for reporting dispositions of property and making an election not to recognize gain under section 1043 must be followed by eligible persons wishing to make such an election.

(c) *Policy.* The Federal purpose reflected in section 1043 of the Internal Revenue Code and these rules is to minimize the burden of Government service resulting from gain on the sale of assets for which divestiture is reasonably necessary because of the conflict of interest laws, in order to attract and retain highly qualified personnel in the executive branch and to ensure the confidence of the public in