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SEC Adopts Rules to Modernize Filing Fee Disclosure and Payment Methods

The SEC has adopted final rules modernizing filing fee disclosures and payment methods (available <u>here</u>). These rules were initially proposed in October 2019. Under the final rules:

- filing fee disclosures will be contained in a filing fee exhibit (as opposed to the cover page and submission header where they are currently disclosed);
- filing fee calculations will be presented on a tabular basis in a structured prescribed format (please see Annex A for the sample tables) instead of in a narrative format;
- filing fees may be paid by wire transfer, ACH, debit cards (if issued by a U.S. financial institution) or credit cards (if issued by a U.S. financial institution, and subject to a daily and per filing fee payment limit of \$25,000); checks and money orders will be eliminated as a form of payment; and
- registrants will be allowed to reallocate previously paid filing fees between two or more classes of securities included on a registration statement, prior to effectiveness.

The filing fee disclosure amendments will take effect January 31, 2022 and issuers may choose to comply with them after that date. Compliance will be required by July 31, 2024 for large accelerated filers and by July 31, 2025 for accelerated filers and all other filers.

The filing fee payment method amendments will take effect on May 31, 2022.

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Annex A – Fee Tables

Table 1: Newly Registered and Carry Forward Securities

| | Security Type | Security Class Title | Fee Calculation or Carry Forward Rule | Amount Registered | Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Unit | Maximum Aggregate Offering Price | Fee Rate | Amount of Registration Fee | Carry Forward Form Type | Carry Forward File Number | Carry Forward Initial effective date | Filing Fee Previously Paid In Connection with Unsold Securities to be Carried Forward |
|--------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|---|----------------------|--|---|----------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|
| | | | | | Newly | Registered Se | curities | | | | | |
| Fees to Be Paid | x | x | x | х | х | x | x | x | | | | |
| Fees Previously Paid | x | x | x | x | х | x | | x | | | | |
| | | | | • | Carry | y Forward Secu | rities | | | | | |
| Carry Forward Securities | x | x | x | х | | x | | | х | x | x | x |
| | | Total Offeri | | | х | | x | | | | | |
| | | Total Fees P | reviously Paid | | | | | х | | | | |
| | | Total Fe | e Offsets | | | | | x | | | | |
| | Net Fee Due | | | | | | | х | | | | |

Table 2: Fee Offset Claims and Sources

| | Registrant or Filer Name | Form or Filing Type | File Number | Initial Filing Date | Filing Date | Fee Offset Claimed | Security Type Associated with Fee Offset Claimed | Security Title Associated with Fee Offset Claimed | Unsold Securities Associated with Fee Offset Claimed | Unsold Aggregate Offering Amount Associated with Fee Offset Claimed | Fee Paid with Fee Offset Source |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|---|---|---|--|--|
| | Rules 457(b) and 0-11(a)(2) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fee Offset Claims | | x | х | х | | x | | | | | |
| Fee Offset Sources | x | х | х | | х | | | | | | x |
| | Rule 457(p) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fee Offset Claims | x | x | х | х | | x | x | x | х | х | |
| Fee Offset Sources | x | х | х | | х | | | | | | х |

Table 3: Combined Prospectuses

| Security Type | Security Class Title | Amount of Securities Previously Registered | Maximum Aggregate Offering Price of Securities Previously Registered | Form Type | File Number | Initial Effective Date |
|---------------|----------------------|---|---|-----------|-------------|------------------------|
| x | х | x | Х | Х | x | Х |