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A person requesting that information or advice contained in a comment submitted by that person, other than business confidential information, be treated as confidential in accordance with section 135(g)(2) of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2155)—

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Pursuant to section 127(e) of the URAA, USTR will maintain a file on this dispute settlement proceeding, accessible to the public, in the USTR Reading Room, Room 101, Office of the United States Trade Representative, 600 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20508. The public file will include a listing of any comments made to USTR from the public with respect to the proceeding; the U.S. submissions to the panel in the proceeding; the submissions, or non-confidential summaries of submissions, to the panel received from other participants in the dispute, as well as the report of the dispute settlement panel and, if applicable, the report of the Appellate Body. An appointment to review the public file (Docket WTO/D-6, "U.S.-EC: Hormones Directive"), may be made by calling Brenda Webb, (202) 395-6186. The USTR Reading Room is open to the public from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Jennifer Hillman,

General Counsel.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Excepted Service

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This gives notice of positions placed or revoked under Schedules A and B, and placed under Schedule C in the excepted service, as required by Civil Service Rule VI, Exceptions from the Competitive Service.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Patricia Paige, (202) 606-0830.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office of Personnel Management published its last monthly notice updating appointing authorities established or revoked under the Excepted Service provisions of 5 CFR 213 on June 4, 1996 (61 FR 28251). Individual authorities established or revoked under Schedules A and B and established under Schedule C between May 1, 1996, and May 31, 1996, appear in the listing below. Future notices will be published on the fourth Tuesday of each month, or as soon as possible thereafter. A consolidated listing of all authorities as of June 30 will also be published.

Schedule A

No Schedule A authorities were established.

The following Schedule A authorities were revoked:

Smithsonian Institution

Not to exceed 25 positions at grades GS-11 and below which support planning and production of the annual American Folklife Festival. Employment under this authority may not exceed 6 months in connection with any one Festival. Effective May 5, 1996.

Department of the Army

Corps of Engineers. Nonsupervisory trades, crafts, and manual labor positions at grades WG-6 and below on survey, construction, short-term maintenance, or floating operations, where because of turnover, lack of housing facilities, mobility of work site, or remoteness of personnel servicing facilities an adequate labor force can be recruited only by immediate gate hiring on a local basis. Effective May 22, 1996.

Schedule B

No Schedule B authorities were established or revoked in May 1996.

Schedule C

The following Schedule C authorities were established in May 1996:

Agency for International Development

Special Assistant to the Assistant Administrator. Effective May 17, 1996.

Commission on Civil Rights

Special Assistant to the Commissioner. Effective May 17, 1996.

Council on Environmental Quality

Special Assistant to the Chair. Effective May 24, 1996.

Department of Agriculture

Senior Policy Director to the Administrator, Rural Business-Cooperative Service. Effective May 1, 1996.

Deputy Administrator for Policy and Planning to the Administrator, Policy and Planning. Effective May 1, 1996.

Special Assistant to the Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service. Effective May 1, 1996.

Staff Assistant to the Secretary of Agriculture. Effective May 3, 1996.

Department of Commerce

Confidential Assistant to the Assistant Secretary, Legislative and Interagency Affairs. Effective May 1, 1996.

Special Assistant to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Basic Industries. Effective May 3, 1996.

Confidential Assistant to the Deputy Press Secretary. Effective May 17, 1996.

Special Assistant to the Under Secretary for International Trade, International Trade Administration. Effective May 31, 1996.

Confidential Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for International Economic Policy, International Trade Administration. Effective May 31, 1996.

Department of Defense

Confidential Assistant to the Deputy Advisor for National Security Affairs. Effective May 3, 1996.

Staff Specialist to the Deputy Under Secretary for Logistics. Effective May 17, 1996.

Department of Education

Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services. Effective May 9, 1996.

Department of Health and Human Services

Confidential Assistant (Advance) to the Director of Scheduling and Advance. Effective May 3, 1996.

Special Assistant to the Commissioner, Administration for Children and Families. Effective May 9, 1996.

Congressional Liaison Specialist to the Deputy Assistant for Legislation, (Congressional Liaison). Effective May 9, 1996.

Confidential Assistant to the Associate Administrator for External Affairs. Effective May 22, 1996.

Department of Housing and Urban Development

Deputy Assistant Secretary, Public Housing Investments to the Assistant Secretary, Public and Indian Housing. Effective May 3, 1996.

Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing. Effective May 17, 1996.

Executive Assistant to the President, Government National Mortgage Association. Effective May 29, 1996.

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Long Range Planning to the Deputy Secretary. Effective May 29, 1996.

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs to the Deputy Secretary. Effective May 29, 1996.

Department of Justice

Special Assistant to the Assistant Attorney General, Environmental and Natural Resources Division. Effective May 24, 1996.

Department of Labor

Legislative Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs. Effective May 2, 1996.

Deputy Chief of Staff to the Chief of Staff. Effective May 3, 1996.

Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs. Effective May 9, 1996.

Special Assistant to the Director, Women's Bureau. Effective May 17, 1996.

Special Assistant to the Secretary of Labor. Effective May 22, 1996.

Special Assistant to the Executive Secretary. Effective May 30, 1996.

Special Assistant to the Director, Women's Bureau. Effective May 30, 1996.

Department of Transportation

Special Assistant to the Special Assistant for Scheduling and Advance. Effective May 7, 1996.

Department of Veterans Affairs

Special Assistant to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs. Effective May 22, 1996.

Federal Communications Commission

Chief, Office of Public Affairs to the Chairman, Federal Communications Commission. Effective May 9, 1996.

Federal Trade Commission

Director of Public Affairs (Supervisory Public Affairs Specialist) to the Chairman. Effective May 22, 1996.

General Services Administration

Deputy Chief of Staff to the Chief of Staff. Effective May 3, 1996.

National Credit Union Administration

Executive Assistant to the Board Member. Effective May 1, 1996.

Office of Management and Budget

Confidential Assistant to the Associate Director, National Resources Energy and Science. Effective May 3, 1996.

Selective Service System

Confidential Assistant to the Director of Selective Service. Effective May 7, 1996.

Small Business Administration

Director of Intergovernmental Affairs to the Associate Administrator for Communications and Public Liaison. Effective May 10, 1996.

Social Security Administration

Speech Writer to the Deputy Commissioner for Communications. Effective May 30, 1996.

United States Information Agency

Director, Office of Support Services to the Associate Director of the Bureau of Information. Effective May 9, 1996.

Public Affairs Specialist to the Director, New York Foreign Press Center, New York, NY. Effective May 30, 1996.

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 3301 and 3302; E.O. 10577, 3 CFR 1954-1958 Comp., P.218. Office of Personnel Management.

Lorraine A. Green,

Deputy Director.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Rel. No. IC-22034; 812-9998]

Qualivest Funds, et al.; Notice of Application

June 20, 1996.

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

ACTION: Notice of Application for Exemption Under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "Act").

APPLICANTS: Qualivest Funds (the "Trust") and Qualivest Capital Management, Inc. ("QCMI").

RELEVANT ACT SECTION: Order requested under section 17(d) of the Act and rule 17d-1 thereunder.

SUMMARY OF APPLICATION: Applicants request an order to permit certain investment companies to deposit their uninvested cash balances in one or more

joint accounts to be used to enter into short-term investments.

FILING DATES: The application was filed on February 20, 1996, and amended on May 17, 1996. Applicants agree to file an additional amendment, the substance of which is incorporated herein, during the notice period.

HEARING OR NOTIFICATION OF HEARING: An order granting the application will be issued unless the SEC orders a hearing. Interested persons may request a hearing by writing to the SEC's Secretary and serving applicants with a copy of the request, personally or by mail. Hearing requests should be received by the SEC by 5:30 p.m. on July 15, 1996, and should be accompanied by proof of service on applicants in the form of an affidavit or, for lawyers, a certificate of service. Hearing requests should state the nature of the writer's interest, the reason for the request, and the issues contested. Persons who wish to be notified of a hearing may request notification by writing to the SEC's Secretary.

ADDRESSES: Secretary, SEC, 450 5th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549. Applicants: the Trust, 3435 Stelzer Road, Columbus, Ohio 43219; QCMI, P.O. Box 2758, 111 S.W. Fifth Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97208.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sarah A. Buescher, Staff Attorney, at (202) 942-0573, or Robert A. Robertson, Branch Chief, (202) 942-0564 (Office of Investment Company Regulation, Division of Investment Management).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following is a summary of the application. The complete application may be obtained for a fee at the SEC's Public Reference Branch.

Applicants' Representations

1. The Trust, organized as a Massachusetts business trust, is an open-end management investment company currently comprised of eleven series (the "Funds"). QCMI serves as investment adviser to the Trust, and is an affiliate of U.S. Bank, a wholly-owned subsidiary of U.S. Bancorp. BISYS Fund Services, a division of the BISYS Group, Inc., acts as administrator for each Fund of the Trust, and acts as the Trust's principal underwriter and distributor.

2. The assets of the Funds of the Trust, except for Qualivest International Opportunities Fund are held by U.S. National Bank of Oregon as custodian. The assets of Qualivest International Opportunities Fund are held by The Bank of New York. Applicants request that any relief granted pursuant to the application also apply to any future