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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND PUBLIC COMMENT

Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 112, § 87A½ and M.G.L. c. 30A, § 2, the Massachusetts Board of Public Accountancy will hold a public hearing relative to proposed amendments to its regulations, 252 CMR §§ 1.00 through 4.00, the rules and regulations governing the practice of Public Accountancy. The proposed amendments seek to make it more streamlined for new applicants to become licensed, updated some terminology in accord with the evolution of the practice and removal of the a non-reporting license which was provided for in the Board's enabling by statutes.

The hearing will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Friday October 14th, 2016, at the Division of Professional Licensure in a first floor conference room at 1000 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02118. Interested parties will be given an opportunity to present testimony, orally or in writing, at the hearing. The Board will also accept written comments regarding the proposed amendments through the end of business on October 21, 2016. Written comments may be mailed to the Board of Public Accountancy, 1000 Washington Street, Suite 710, Boston, Massachusetts 02118-6100, or emailed to accountingboard@state.ma.us. A copy of the proposed amendments to the regulations may be found on the Board's website at http://www.mass.gov/ocabr/licensee/dpl-boards/pa/ or by contacting the Board at 617-727-1806.

Directions to 1000 Washington Street as well as information on parking, are available on DPL's <u>Agency Officer Locator</u> webpage. Please note that photo identification is required of all persons entering 1000 Washington Street.

Reasonable accommodations or modifications will be provided to individuals with disabilities to participate in the public hearing. All requests should be directed to Cheryl Yebba by calling 617-727-4992 (TTY/TDD 617-727-2099) no later than 48 hours prior to the start of the hearing. While the agency will attempt to honor all requests, those requests received less than 48 hours prior to the start of the meeting may not be accommodated due to feasibility.

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