ORDER UNDER SECTION 12(d)(1)(J) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940 GRANTING AN EXEMPTION FROM SECTIONS 12(d)(1)(A) AND (C) OF THE ACT

Van Eck VIP Trust (f/k/a Van Eck Worldwide Insurance Trust), Van Eck Funds, Market Vectors ETF Trust, and Van Eck Associates Corporation filed an application on November 16, 2010, and amendments to the application on May 10, 2011, November 18, 2011, March 15, 2012, and May 7, 2012, requesting an order under section 12(d)(1)(J) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the “Act”) granting an exemption from sections 12(d)(1)(A) and (C) of the Act. The order amends a prior order that permits certain registered open-end management investment companies to acquire shares of other registered open-end management investment companies and unit investment trusts that are within and outside the same group of investment companies. The amended order permits such registered open-end management investment companies to also acquire shares of registered closed-end investment companies and business development companies as defined by section 2(a)(48) of the Act that are within and outside the same group of investment companies.

On May 10, 2012, a notice of the filing of the application was issued (Investment Company Act Release No. 30063). The notice gave interested persons an opportunity to request a hearing and stated that an order granting the application would be issued unless a hearing was ordered. No request for a hearing has been filed, and the Commission has not ordered a hearing.
The matter has been considered and it is found, on the basis of the information set forth in the application, as amended, that granting the requested exemption is consistent with the public interest and the protection of investors.

Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED, that the relief requested under section 12(d)(1)(J) of the Act from sections 12(d)(1)(A) and (C) of the Act by Van Eck VIP Trust, Van Eck Funds, Market Vectors ETF Trust, and Van Eck Associates Corporation (File No. 812-13846) is granted, effective immediately, subject to the conditions contained in the application, as amended.

For the Commission, by the Division of Investment Management, under delegated authority.

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Deputy Secretary