UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BEFORE THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940 Release No. 31596 / May 6, 2015

In the Matter of

VAN ECK ASSOCIATES CORPORATION VAN ECK SECURITIES CORPORATION MARKET VECTORS ETF TRUST VAN ECK VIP TRUST VAN ECK FUNDS

335 Madison Avenue New York, NY 10017

(812-14400)

ORDER UNDER SECTION 6(c) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940

GRANTING AN EXEMPTION FROM RULE 12d1-2(a) UNDER THE ACT

Van Eck Associates Corporation, Van Eck Securities Corporation, Market Vectors ETF Trust, Van Eck VIP Trust and Van Eck Funds filed an application on December 18, 2014, requesting an order under section 6(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 ("Act") granting an exemption from rule 12d1-2(a) under the Act. The order would permit open-end management investment companies relying on rule 12d1-2 under the Act to invest in certain financial instruments.

On April 6, 2015, a notice of the filing of the application was issued (Investment Company Act Release No. 31547). 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 appropriate in the public interest and consistent with the protection of investors and the purposes fairly intended by the policy and provisions of the Act.

Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED, that the exemption under section 6(c) of the Act from rule 12d1-2(a) under the Act requested by Van Eck Associates Corporation, et al. (File No. 812-14400) is granted, effective immediately, subject to the condition contained in the application, as amended.

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

Brent J. Fields Secretary