

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
BEFORE THE
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940
Release no. 32971 / January 17, 2018

In the Matter of

THE HARTFORD MUTUAL FUNDS, INC.
THE HARTFORD MUTUAL FUNDS II, INC.
HARTFORD SERIES FUND, INC.
HARTFORD HLS SERIES FUND II, INC.
HARTFORD FUNDS EXCHANGE-TRADED TRUST
HARTFORD FUNDS NEXTSHARES TRUST
HARTFORD FUNDS MASTER FUND
HARTFORD FUNDS MANAGEMENT COMPANY, LLC
HIMCO VARIABLE INSURANCE TRUST
HARTFORD INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT COMPANY
LATTICE STRATEGIES TRUST
LATTICE STRATEGIES LLC

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(File No. 812-14564)

ORDER UNDER SECTION 6(c) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940
GRANTING AN EXEMPTION FROM SECTION 15(a) OF THE ACT AND RULE 18f-2
UNDER THE ACT AND CERTAIN DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

The Hartford Mutual Funds, Inc.; The Hartford Mutual Funds II, Inc.; Hartford Series Fund, Inc.; Hartford HLS Series Fund II, Inc.; Hartford Funds Exchange-Traded Trust; Hartford Funds NextShares Trust; Hartford Funds Master Trust; HIMCO Variable Insurance Trust; and Lattice Strategies Trust, and Hartford Funds Management Company, LLC; Hartford Investment Management Company; and Lattice Strategies LLC filed an application on October 13, 2015 and amendments to the application on March 21, 2016, September 30, 2016, February 10, 2017, and November 14, 2017 requesting an order under section 6(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "Act") for an exemption from section 15(a) of the Act and rule 18f-2 under the Act, as well as from certain disclosure requirements. The order permits applicants to enter into and

materially amend sub-advisory agreements without shareholder approval and also grants relief from certain disclosure requirements.

On December 20, 2017, a notice of the filing of the application was issued (Investment Company Act Release No. 32944). 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, under section 6(c) of the Act, that the relief requested by The Hartford Mutual Funds, Inc., et al. (File No. 812-14564) 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.

Eduardo A. Aleman
Assistant Secretary