

# FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

## Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Emergency Management Agency, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on a proposed, new information collection. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), this notice seeks comments concerning the use of a survey to collect data for the development of a national fire department database.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The U.S. Fire Administration (USFA) receives many requests from fire service organizations and the general public for information related to fire departments, including total number of departments, number of stations per department, population protected, and number of firefighters. The USFA also has a need

for this information to guide programmatic decisions, produce mailing lists for USFA publications, and serve as a baseline from which to eventually sample fire loss data. Recommendations for the creation of the fire department database came out of a Blue Ribbon Panel's review of the USFA—initiated by FEMA Director James Lee Witt in the spring of 1998. The report included a review of the structure, mission and funding of the USFA, future policies, programmatic needs, course development and delivery, and the role of the USFA to reflect changes in the fire service. The panel included 13 members of the U.S. fire community. As a result of those recommendations, the USFA is working to identify all fire departments in the United States to develop and populate a national database that will include information related to demographics, capabilities and activities of fire departments Nationwide.

### Collection of Information

*Title.* National Fire Department Census.

*Type of Information Collection.* New.

*Abstract.* Many data products and reports exist that contain fragmented or

estimated information about fire department demographics, and capabilities, but there is no single reference source today that aggregates this data to provide a complete and accurate profile of fire departments in the United States. The U.S. Fire Administration (USFA) receives many requests for information related to fire departments, including total number of departments, number of stations per department, population protected, apparatus and equipment status. The USFA is working to identify all fire departments in the United States to develop and populate a national database that will include information related to demographics, capabilities and activities. The database will be used by USFA to guide programmatic decisions, provide the Fire Service and the public with information about fire departments, to produce mailing lists for USFA publications and other materials, and serve as a baseline from which to sample fire loss data.

*Affected Public:* Federal, State, local government, volunteer, and industrial fire departments.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours.*

	Number of respondents (A)	Frequency of response (B)	Hours per response (C)	Annual burden hours (A × B × C)
FEMA forms .....	33,000	1	25 Minutes (.42)	13,860
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*Estimated Cost.* The estimated costs to the government will be contracted direct labor and associated overhead costs of \$433,500. There would be no costs to the respondent other than the minimal direct labor cost of a single firefighter or emergency service worker taking a small amount of time to complete the survey and this would be applicable only to those fire departments and emergency service agencies with career employees. The majority of the respondents will be from volunteer fire departments for which no direct labor costs will be incurred. The estimate of respondent costs for those career departments is computed as follows: Estimated number of surveys multiplied by the national average hourly rate of a firefighter of \$18.65 multiplied by .42 (representing the estimated 25 minutes it takes to complete the survey) and multiply that by .25 which represents the percentage of respondents who are career (paid) personnel. Using this equation, total estimated costs to respondents of

\$64,622 is derived (33,000 estimated surveys × \$18.65 = \$615,450 × .42 = \$258,489 × .25 = \$64,622). The average cost per survey is a minimal \$1.96. The respondents are under no obligation to complete the survey and may refuse to do so or stop at any time so the average cost to the respondent of \$1.96 could easily not be incurred by refusing to fill out the survey.

*Comments:* Written comments are solicited to (a) evaluate whether the proposed data collection is necessary for the proper performance of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated,

electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses. Comments should be received within 60 days of the date of this notice.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons should submit written comments to Muriel B. Anderson, Chief, Records Management Branch, Program Services Division, Operations Support Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW, Room 316, Washington, DC 20472. Telephone number (202) 646-2625. FAX number (202) 646-3524 or e-mail [muriel.anderson@fema.gov](mailto:muriel.anderson@fema.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bradley S. Pabody, Fire Program Specialist, United States Fire Administration, National Fire Data Center, (301) 447-1340 for additional information. Contact Ms. Anderson at (202) 646-2625 for copies of the proposed collection of information

Dated: December 12, 2000.

**Reginald Trujillo,**

*Director, Program Services Division,  
Operations Support Directorate.*

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## FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

**[FEMA-1193-DR]**

### Government of Guam; Amendment to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency  
Management Agency (FEMA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice amends the notice of a major disaster for Government of Guam (FEMA-1193-DR), dated December 17, 1997, and related determinations.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** December 6, 2000.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Madge Dale, Response and Recovery Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3630.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that the cost share arrangement concerning Federal funds provided under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121, *et seq.*, as amended by the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, Pub. L. No. 106-390, 114 Stat. 1552 (2000) and the Insular Areas Act (48 U.S.C. 1469a (d) for the Public Assistance program is adjusted at 100 percent Federal funding. This adjustment applies to eligible costs associated with Categories A and B (debris removal and emergency protective measures) under the Public Assistance program. All other cost sharing adjustments under FEMA-1193-DR remain the same.

(The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 83.537, Community Disaster Loans; 83.538, Cora Brown Fund Program; 83.539, Crisis Counseling; 83.540, Disaster Legal Services Program; 83.541, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 83.542, Fire Suppression Assistance; 83.543, Individual and Family Grant (IFG) Program; 83.544, Public Assistance Grants; 83.545, Disaster Housing Program; 83.548, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.)

**James L. Witt,**

*Director.*

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## FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

### Change in Bank Control Notices; Acquisition of Shares of Bank or Bank Holding Companies

The notificants listed below have applied under the Change in Bank Control Act (12 U.S.C. 19817 (j)) and § 225.41 of the Board's Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.41) to acquire a bank or bank holding company. The factors that are considered in acting on the notices are set forth in paragraph 7 of the Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)(7)).

The notices are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notices also will be available for inspection at the office of the Board of Governors/ Interested persons may express their views in writing to the Reserve Bank indicated for that notice or to the offices of the Board of Governors. Comments must be received not later than January 2, 2001.

**A. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City** (D. Michael Manies, Assistant Vice President) 925 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri 64198-0001:

1. *James A. Waters*, Wynnewood, Oklahoma, and Janet G. Streich, Englewood, Colorado; to acquire voting shares of Garvin County Bancshares, Inc., Wynnewood, Oklahoma, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of State Bank of Wynnewood, Wynnewood, Oklahoma.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, December 13, 2000.

**Robert deV. Frierson**

*Associate Secretary of the Board.*

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## FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

### Sunshine Act Meeting

**AGENCY HOLDING MEETING:** Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

**TIME AND DATE:** 10 a.m., Thursday, December 21, 2000.

**PLACE:** Marriner S. Eccles Federal Reserve Board Building, C Street entrance between 20th and 21st Streets, NW., Washington, DC 20551.

**STATUS:** Open.

#### MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

*Summary Agenda:* Because of their routine nature, no discussion of the following items is anticipated. These matters will be voted on without discussion unless a member of the Board requests that an item be moved to the discussion agenda.

1. Consideration of final rules under Regulation Y (Bank Holding Companies and Change in Bank Control) that implement the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act by (a) providing procedures for eligible domestic organizations to elect to become financial holding companies (Docket No. R-1057); and (b) describing activities that are permissible for financial holding companies and providing procedures for conducting these activities (Docket No. R-1062). These rules revise and replace interim rules that were published for comment earlier this year.

2. Consideration of a proposal for comment to amend Regulation Y (Bank Holding Companies and Change in Bank Control), pursuant to section 4(k)(5) of the Bank Holding Company Act as amended by the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, to designate three categories of activities as permissible for financial holding companies and to provide procedures for determining that particular activities are included within the proposed categories.

3. Publication for comment of proposed modifications to the methodology for calculating the Private Sector Adjustment Factor.

4. *Discussion Agenda:* Proposed new Regulation G (Disclosure and Reporting of CRA-Related Agreements) to implement the Community Reinvestment Act sunshine requirements of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (proposed earlier for public comment; Docket No. R-1069).

5. Any items carried forward from a previously announced meeting.

**Note:** This meeting will be recorded for the benefit of those unable to attend. Cassettes will then be available for listening in the Board's Freedom of Information Office, and copies can be ordered for \$6 per cassette by calling 202-452-3684 or by writing to: Freedom of Information Office, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System Washington, D.C. 20551.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Lynn S. Fox, Assistant to the Board; 202-452-3204.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** You may call 202-452-3206 for a recorded announcement of this meeting; or you may contact the Board's Web site at <http://www.federalreserve.gov> for an electronic announcement. (The Web site also includes procedural and other information about the open meeting.)

Dated: December 14, 2000.

**Robert deV. Frierson,**

*Associate Secretary of the Board.*

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