

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, February 8, 2007.

Jennifer J. Johnson,

Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Notice of Proposals to Engage in Permissible Nonbanking Activities or to Acquire Companies that are Engaged in Permissible Nonbanking Activities

The companies listed in this notice have given notice under section 4 of the Bank Holding Company Act (12 U.S.C. 1843) (BHC Act) and Regulation Y (12 CFR Part 225) to engage *de novo*, or to acquire or control voting securities or assets of a company, including the companies listed below, that engages either directly or through a subsidiary or other company, in a nonbanking activity that is listed in § 225.28 of Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.28) or that the Board has determined by Order to be closely related to banking and permissible for bank holding companies. Unless otherwise noted, these activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

Each notice is available for inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notice also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the question whether the proposal complies with the standards of section 4 of the BHC Act. Additional information on all bank holding companies may be obtained from the National Information Center website at <http://www.ffiec.gov/nic/>.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding the applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than February 28, 2007.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (Andre Anderson, Vice President) 1000 Peachtree Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30309:

1. *Appalachian Bancshares, Inc.*, Ellijay, Georgia; to acquire Appalachian Community Bank, F.S.B., McCaysville, Georgia, and thereby engage in operating a savings association, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(4)(ii) of Regulation Y. Comments regarding this application must be received by March 9, 2007.

2. *Coastal Community Investments, Inc.*, Panama City Beach, Florida; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Bayside Financial Corporation, and thereby indirectly acquire Bayside

Savings Bank, both of Port St. Joe, Florida, and engage in operating a savings association, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(4)(ii) of Regulation Y. Comments regarding this application must be received by March 9, 2007.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis (Jacqueline G. King, Community Affairs Officer) 90 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55480-0291:

1. *State Bankshares Inc.*, Fargo, North Dakota; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Passport Benefit Solutions, L.L.C., Minnetonka, Minnesota, and thereby engage in employee benefits consulting services and related data processing, pursuant to sections 225.28(b)(9)(ii) and 225.28(b)(14)(i) of Regulation Y.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Sunshine Act Meeting

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

TIME AND DATE: 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 20, 2007.

PLACE: Marriner S. Eccles Federal Reserve Board Building, 20th and C Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20551.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Personnel actions (appointments, promotions, assignments, reassignments, and salary actions) involving individual Federal Reserve System employees.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michelle Smith, Director, or Dave Skidmore, Assistant to the Board, Office of Board Members at 202-452-2955.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: You may call 202-452-3206 beginning at approximately 5 p.m. two business days before the meeting for a recorded announcement of bank and bank holding company applications scheduled for the meeting; or you may contact the Board's Web site at <http://www.federalreserve.gov> for an electronic announcement that not only lists applications, but also indicates procedural and other information about the meeting.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, February 9, 2007.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT BOARD

Sunshine Act; Notice of Meeting

TIME AND DATE: 9 a.m. (EST). February 20, 2007.

PLACE: 4th Floor Conference Room, 1250 H Street, NW., Washington, DC.

STATUS: Parts will be open to the public and parts closed to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Parts Open to the Public

1. Approval of the minutes of the January 16, 2007 Board member meeting
2. Thrift Savings Plan activity report by the Executive Director
3. Dept. of Labor Reports
 - a. Clintwood Call Center
 - b. Pittsburgh Backup/Recovery Site
4. Dept. of Labor/KPMG Annual Audit Report
5. Annual Participant Statements
6. Communications and Operations Report

Parts Closed to the Public

7. Personnel

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Thomas J. Trabucco, Director, Office of External Affairs, (202) 942-1640.

Dated: February 9, 2007.

Thomas K. Emswiler,

Secretary to the Board, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board.

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FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

Granting of Request for Early Termination of the Waiting Period Under the Premerger Notification Rules

Section 7A of the Clayton Act, 15 U.S.C. as added by Title II of the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, requires persons contemplating certain mergers or acquisitions to give the Federal Trade Commission and the Assistant Attorney General advance notice and to wait designated periods before consummation of such plans. Section 7 A(b)(2) of the Act permits the agencies, in individual cases, to terminate this

waiting period prior to its expiration and requires that notice of this action be published in the **Federal Register**.

The following transactions were granted early termination of the waiting

period provided by law and the premerger notification rules. The grants were made by the Federal Trade Commission and the Assistant Attorney General for the Antitrust Division of the

Department of Justice. Neither agency intends to take any action with respect to these proposed acquisitions during the applicable waiting period.

Trans. No.	Acquiring	Acquired	Entities
TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—01/23/2007			
20070377	Northrop Grumman Corporation	Essex Corporation	Essex Corporation.
20070522	Wintergames Holdings SARL	Oak Hill Capital Partners, L.P.	Steamboat Ski & Resort Corporation.
20070574	On Assignment, Inc.	Oxford Global Resources, Inc.	Oxford Global Resources, Inc.
20070594	QBE Insurance Group Limited	HDI Haftpflichtverband der Deutschen Industrie VaG.	Praetorian Financial Group, Inc.
20070600	Cisco Systems, Inc.	IronPort Systems, Inc.	ironPort Systems, Inc.
20070602	American Securities Partners IV, L.P.	NEP, Inc.	NEP, Inc.
20070604	Elder Health, Inc.	Health Partners of Philadelphia, Inc.	Health Partners of Philadelphia, Inc.
20070616	Ripplewood Partners II, L.P.	Ripplewood Partners, L.P.	WRC Media, Inc.
20070620	D.E. Shaw Composite International Fund.	Foamex International, Inc.	Foamex International, Inc.
20070621	The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.	Foamex International, Inc.	Foamex International, Inc.
TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—01/24/2007			
20070539	American Capital Strategies, Ltd.	Explorer Pipeline Company, Inc.	CITGO Pipeline Holding I, LLC.
20070561	Seminole Hard Rock Entertainment, Inc	The Rank Group Plc	Rank America, Inc.
			Rank Group Holdings Limited.
			Rank Holding Espana SA.
			Rank Holdings (France) SA.
			Rank Holdings (Germany) GmbH.
			Rank Holdings (Netherlands) BV.
			Rank Leisure Holdings Limited.
			Rank Overseas Holdings Limited.
			Rank (UK) Holdings Limited.
20070571	KAR Holdings II, LLC	ADESA, Inc.	ADESA, Inc.
20070591	Macquarie Infrastructure Company Trust	David G. Price	Aviation Contract Services, Inc.
			Superman of Stewart, LLC.
			Supermarine Aviation, Limited.
			Supermarine Investors, Inc.
			Supermarine of Santa Monica, a California Limited Partnership.
			Supermarine of Stewart, LLC.
20070592	Macquarie Infrastructure Company Trust	Dallas Price-Van Breda	Aviation Contract Services, Inc.
			Supermarine Aviation, Limited.
			Supermarine Investors, Inc.
			Supermarine of Santa Monica, a California Ltd. Partnership.
			Supermarine of Stewart, LLC.
20070603	BG Group plc	Lake Road Holding Company, LLC	Lake Road Generating Company, LP.
20080605	Arlington Capital Partners II, L.P.	Michael W. Major	Cambridge Major Laboratories, Inc.
20070613	Airline Partners Australia Fund	Qantas Airways Limited	Qantas Airways Limited.
TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—01/25/2007			
20070390	Knight Holdco LLC	Kinder Morgan, Inc.	Kinder Morgan, Inc.
20070578	KGen Power Corporation	MatlinPatterson Global Opportunities Partners II, L.P.	KGen Partners LLC.
20070584	Mittal Steel Company N.V.	Julio Cesar Villarreal Guajardo	BSRM Holdings, Inc.
			Servicios Operativos del Centro, S.A. de C.V.
			Siderurgica Lazaro Cardenas las Truchas, S.A. de C.V.
			V.I. Holding, Inc.
20070589	MPBP Holdings Inc.	Three Cities Offshore II, C.V.	Cohr Holdings, Inc.
TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—01/26/2007			
20070555	Kennametal Inc.	Federal Signal Corporation	Clapp Dico Corporation.
			Manchester Tool Company.
20070562	Schering-Plough Corporation	ALK-Abello A/S	On Time Machining Company.
20070565	Bridgestone Corporation	Bandag, Incorporated	ALK-Abello A/S.
20070590	Jolly Roger Offshore Fund, LTD	Hilton Hotels Corporation	Bandag, Incorporated.
			Hilton Hotels Corporation.

Trans. No.	Acquiring	Acquired	Entities
TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—01/30/2007			
20070587	Berkshire Hathaway, Inc	Paul E. Andrews, Jr.	CJE, Inc. Mouser Electronics, Inc. TTI, Inc.
20070628	Stifel Financial Corp	BFC Financial Corporation	Ryan Beck Holdings, Inc.
20070629	BFC Financial Corporation	Stifel Financial Corp	Stifel Financial Corp.
20070633	Oak Hill Capital Partners II, L.P	The New York Times Company	KAUT-TV, LLC. New York Times Management Services. NYT Broadcast Holdings, LLC. NYT Holdings, Inc. Integrated Alarm Services Group, Inc. DBT GmbH. G.I. Joe's, Inc. United Surgical Partners International, Inc. TSEI Holdings, Inc. JetStar Consolidated Holdings, Inc. Anadarko Gathering Company.
20070644	Quadrangle Capital Partners LP	Integrated Alarm Services Group, Inc	
20070646	Bucyrus International, Inc	RAG Akiengesellschaft	
20070647	Gryphon Partners III, L.P	Norm Daniels	
20070648	Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe X, L.P.	United Surgical Partners International, Inc.	
20070649	Brockway Moran & Partners Fund II, L.P	Odyssey Investment Partners Fund, L.P	
20070652	Basic Energy Services, Inc	JetStar Consolidated Holdings, Inc	
20070656	EXCO Resources, Inc	Anadarko Petroleum Corporation	
TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—01/31/2007			
20070607	The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc	He Xiangjian	GuangDong Midea Electric Appliances Co., Ltd. Guangdong Province, People's Republic of China. Media Industrial City, Shunde, Foshan.
20070609	FR XI Offshore AIV., L.P	Brand Holdings, LLC	Brand Energy & Infrastructure Services, Inc. Harris Steel Group, Inc. BST US Holdings, Inc. Clay Tiles Holdings Inc. Lafarge Roofing Holdings Inc. MonierLifetile LLC. Tile Service Company LLC.
20070625	Nucor Corporation	Harris Steel Group, Inc	
20070626	WLR Recovery Fund II, L.P	WLR Recovery Fund III, L.P	
20070640	Financiere Daunou 12	Lafarge, S.A.	
TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—02/02/2007			
20070381	Jefferson Health Systems, Inc	Riddle Health System	Riddle Healthcare Associates. Riddle Health Care Services. Riddle Memorial Hospital. Riddle System Services. RMH Physician Services. Excell Materials, Inc.
20070569	Harsco Corpration	William Blair Mezzanine Capital Fund III, L.P.	
20070608	Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe X, L.P.	Spectrum Equity Investors IV, L.P	CBD Investor, Inc. CBD Media, LLC. c/o CBD Investor, Inc. Celanese Chemicals Europe GmbH. Celanese Ltd. European Oxo Chemicals GmbH. Infraserv GmbH & Co. Ticona Polymers, Inc. Armstrong Energy Limited Partnership, LLP. Dominion Armstrong Services Company, Inc. Dominion Pleasants Services Company, Inc. Dominion Troy Services Company, Inc. Pleasants Energy, LLC. Troy Energy, LLC.
20070653	Advent OXO (Cayman) Limited	Celanese Corporation	
20070658	Warburg Pincus Equity IX, L.P	Dominion Resources, Inc	
20070659	Time Warner, Inc	Sci Entertainment Group Plc	
20070661	B.S.A	Mozzarella Fresca, Incorporated	
20070663	Knology, Inc	PrairieWave Holdings, Inc	
20070667	Macquarie Bank Limited	American Consolidated Media, L.P	
20070668	Tinicum Capital Partners II, L.P	Enesco Group, Inc	
20070670	Cenveo, Inc	The Huron Fund LP	
20070672	Leucadia National Corporation	Samer Tawfik	

Trans. No.	Acquiring	Acquired	Entities
20070674	GS Capital Partners VI, L.P	USI Holdings Corporation	STi Phonecard, Inc. Telco Group, Inc. VOIP Enterprises Inc. USI Holdings Corporation.

TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—02/05/2007

20070516	GlaxoSmithKline plc	Genmab A/S	Genmab A/S.
20070580	Cenveo, Inc	Cadmus Communications Corporation ...	Cadmus Communications Corporation.
20070611	Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe VIII, L.P.	Windstream Corporation	Windstream Regatta Holdings.
20070612	Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe IX, L.P.	Windstream Corporation	Windstream Regatta Holdings.
20070654	Roche Holding Ltd	Seattle Genetics, Inc	Seattle Genetics, Inc.
20070677	Citigroup, Inc	ABN AMRO Holding N.V	AAMBG Reinsurance, Inc. ABN AMRO Mortgage Corporation. ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc. Mortgage Group Reinsurance, Ltd. Telesat Canada.
20070686	4363205 Canada, Inc	BCE, Inc	

TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—02/06/2007

20070639	Intuit, Inc	Electronic Clearing House, Inc	Electronic Clearing House, Inc.
20070689	B&G Foods, Inc	Altria Group, Inc	COWC Acquisition Corp. Kraft Foods Global, Inc.

TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—02/07/2007

20070615	eBay, Inc	StubHub, Inc	StubHub, Inc.
20070682	Redpoint Ventures I, L.P	BigBand Networks, Inc	BigBand Networks, Inc.
20070685	FIF III Liberty Holdings LLC	SureWest Communications	SureWest Directories.

For Further Information Contact:
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Commission, Premerger Notification
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3100.

By direction of the Commission.

Donald S. Clark,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality Agency Information Collection Activities

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the intention of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) to request that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) allow the proposed information collection project: "Pilot

Study of Proposed Nursing Home Survey on Resident Safety." In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), AHRQ invites the public to comment on this proposed information collection.

This proposed information collection was previously published in the **Federal Register** on December 12th, 2006 and allowed 60 days for public comment. No public comments were received. The purpose of this notice is to allow an additional 30 days for public comment.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by March 15, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be submitted to: Doris Lefkowitz, Reports Clearance Officer, AHRQ, 540 Gaither Road, Room #5036, Rockville, MD 20850, or by e-mail at doris.lefkowitz@ahrq.hhs.gov.

Copies of the proposed collection plans, data collection instruments, and specific details on the estimated burden can be obtained from AHRQ's Reports Clearance Officer.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Doris Lefkowitz, AHRQ, Reports Clearance Officer, (301) 427-1477.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Proposed Project

"Pilot Study of Proposed Nursing Home Survey on Resident Safety"

The activity is an expansion and refinement of AHRQ's Hospital Survey on Patient Safety Culture (HSOPSC) which was developed and released to the public for use in November 2004. This proposed new tool is based on the HSOPSC but also contains new and revised items as well as dimensions that more accurately apply to the nursing home setting. The instrument will be pilot tested with staff in 40 nursing homes. The data collected will be analyzed to determine the psychometric properties of the survey's items and dimensions and provide information for the revision and shortening of the final survey based on an assessment of its reliability and construct validity. The final survey will be made publicly available to enable nursing homes to assess their resident safety culture.

Methods of Collection

A purposive sample of 40 nursing homes will be recruited and selected. These nursing homes will represent a distribution of bed size, nature of ownership (non-profit/for-profit), urbanicity (urban/rural), and geographic region of the United States. Recruited nursing homes will be allocated to each category in numbers roughly