decrease in transportation service or an unreasonable increase in transportation cost, as described in section 6(g) of the 1984 Act.

In addition, the Commission is designating Vern W. Hill, Director, and George A. Quadrino, Attorney, Bureau of Enforcement, as the Investigative Officers for the continued phase of this proceeding. Mssrs. Hill and Quadrino will have all of the powers formerly delegated to Commissioner Brennan to pursue the issues set forth above.

Interested persons are invited and encouraged to contact the Investigative Officers named herein, at (202) 523–5783 (Phone) or (202) 523–5785 (Fax), should they wish to provide testimony or evidence, or to contribute in any other manner to the development of a complete factual record in this proceeding.

Therefore, it is ordered, that pursuant to sections 5, 6, 8, 10, 11, 12 and 15 of the Shipping Act of 1984, 46 U.S.C. app. 1704, 1705, 1707, 1709, 1710, 1711 and 1714, and part 502, subpart R of Title 46 of the Code of Federal Regulations, 46 CFR 502.281, et seq., this nonadjudicatory investigation into practices of the ocean common carriers listed in Appendix A in the eastbound Transpacific trades is continued in order to develop the issues set forth above and to provide a basis for any subsequent regulatory, adjudicatory or injunctive action by the Commission;

It is further ordered, that the Investigative Officers shall be Vern W. Hill, Esq., Director, and George A. Quadrino, Attorney, Bureau of Enforcement, of the Commission. The Investigative Officers shall be assisted by staff members as may be assigned by the Commission's Executive Director and shall have full authority to hold public or non-public sessions, to resort to all compulsory process authorized by law (including the issuance of subpoenas ad testificandum and duces tecum), to administer oaths, to require reports, and to perform such other duties as may be necessary in accordance with the laws of the United States and the regulations of the Commission;

It is further ordered, that the Investigative Officers shall issue a report of findings and recommendations no later than December 2, 2003, and interim reports if it appears that more immediate Commission action is necessary, such reports to remain confidential unless and until the Commission provides otherwise;

It is further ordered, That this proceeding shall be discontinued upon acceptance of the final report of findings and recommendations by the

Commission, unless otherwise ordered by the Commission; and

It is further ordered, That notice of this Order be published in the **Federal Register**.

By the Commission.

Bryant L. VanBrakle,

Secretary. **Appendix A**

- 1. American President Lines ("APL")
- 2. A.P. Moller Maersk-Sealand
- 3. CMA CGM, S.A.
- 4. Cosco Container Lines Ltd.
- 5. Evergreen Marine Corp.
- 6. Hanjin Shipping Company, Ltd.
- 7. Hapag-Lloyd Container Linie, GmbH
- 8. Hyundai Merchant Marine Co., Ltd.
- 9. Kawasaki Kisen Kaisha, LTD.
- 10. Mitsui O.S.K. Lines, Ltd.
- 11. Nippon Yusen Kaisha ("NYK")
- 12. Orient Overseas Container Line, Ltd.
- 13. P&O Nedlloyd, B.V.
- 14. P&O Nedlloyd, LTD.
- 15. Yang Ming Marine Transport Corp.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Formations of, Acquisitions by, and Mergers of Bank Holding Companies

The companies listed in this notice have applied to the Board for approval, pursuant to the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956 (12 U.S.C. 1841 et seq.) (BHC Act), Regulation Y (12 CFR Part 225), and all other applicable statutes and regulations to become a bank holding company and/or to acquire the assets or the ownership of, control of, or the power to vote shares of a bank or bank holding company and all of the banks and nonbanking companies owned by the bank holding company, including the companies listed below.

The applications listed below, as well as other related filings required by the Board, are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The application also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the standards enumerated in the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1842(c)). If the proposal also involves the acquisition of a nonbanking company, the review also includes whether the acquisition of the nonbanking company complies with the standards in section 4 of the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1843). Unless otherwise noted, nonbanking activities will be conducted throughout the United States. Additional information on all bank holding companies may be obtained from the National Information Center website at www.ffiec.gov/nic/.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding each of these applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than June 30, 2003.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond (A. Linwood Gill, III, Vice President) 701 East Byrd Street, Richmond, Virginia 23261-4528:

1. Mercantile Bankshares Corporation, Baltimore, Maryland; to merge with F&M Bancorp, Frederick, Maryland, and thereby indirectly acquire Farmers & Merchants Bank, Frederick, Maryland.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco (Maria Villanueva, Consumer Regulation Group) 101 Market Street, San Francisco, California 94105-1579:

1. Continental Bancorporation, Salt Lake City, Utah; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Continental Bank, Salt Lake City, Utah (in organization).

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, May 30, 2003.

Jennifer J. Johnson,

Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Consumer Advisory Council; Solicitation of Nominations for Membership

AGENCY: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

ACTION: Notice

summary: The Board is inviting the public to nominate qualified individuals for appointment to its Consumer Advisory Council, whose membership represents interests of consumers, communities, and the financial services industry. New members will be selected for three—year terms that will begin in January 2004. The Board expects to announce the selection of new members by year—end 2003.

DATE: Nominations must be received by August 15, 2003. *NOMINATIONS NOT RECEIVED BY AUGUST 15, MAY NOT BE CONSIDERED.*

ADDRESSES: Nominations, including a résumé for each nominee, must be received by August 15, 2003. Electronic nominations are preferred. The appropriate form can be accessed at: http://www.federalreserve.gov/forms/cacnominationform.cfm

If electronic submission is not feasible, the nominations can be mailed (not sent by facsimile) to Sandra F. Braunstein, Senior Associate Director,