is given confidential treatment (5 U.S.C. §§ 552 (b)(4) and (b)(6)).

Abstract: The Federal Reserve uses this information to define relevant banking markets for specific merger and acquisition applications and to evaluate changes in competition that would result from proposed transactions.

4. Report title: Notice of Branch Closure

Agency form number: FR 4031

OMB control number: 7100–0264

Frequency: On occasion

Reporters: State member banks

Annual burden hours: 422 hours

Estimated average hours per response:

Reporting requirements, 2 hours;

Disclosure requirements, 1 hour;

Number of respondents: 124 General description of report: This information collection is mandatory (12 U.S.C. 1831r–l(a)(1)) and may be given confidential treatment upon request (5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4)).

Recordkeeping requirements, 8 hours.

Abstract: The mandatory reporting, recordkeeping, and disclosure requirements regarding the closing of any branch of an insured depository institution are imposed by section 228 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991. There is no reporting form associated with the reporting portion of this information collection; state member banks notify the Federal Reserve by letter prior to closing a branch. The Federal Reserve uses the information to fulfill its statutory obligation to supervise state member banks.

5. Report title: Reports Related to Securities of State Member Banks as Required by Regulation H.

Agency form number: Reg H–1
OMB Control number: 7100–0091
Frequency: Quarterly and on occasion
Reporters: State member banks
Annual reporting hours: 1,477 hours
Estimated average hours per response:
5.11 hours

Number of respondents: 17 General description of report: This information collection is mandatory (15 U.S.C. 781(i)) and is not given confidential treatment.

Abstract: The Federal Reserve(s
Regulation H requires certain state
member banks to submit information
relating to their securities to the Federal
Reserve on the same forms that bank
holding companies and nonbank
entities use to submit similar
information to the Securities and
Exchange Commission. The information
is primarily used for public disclosure
and is available to the public upon
request.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, March 6, 2007.

Jennifer J. Johnson,

Secretary of the Board.

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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 April 2, 2007.

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

1. BlackRidge Financial, Inc., Fargo, North Dakota, to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of BlackRidgeBANK, Fargo, North Dakota, a de novo bank.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas (W. Arthur Tribble, Vice President) 2200 North Pearl Street, Dallas, Texas 75201-2272:

1. Woodforest Financial Group, Inc., The Woodlands, Texas; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Olympic Savings, SSB, Refugio, Texas. Upon consummation, Woodforest Final Group, Inc., will convert Olympic Bank into a federal savings bank and change its name to Woodforest Bank, FSB, Refugio, Texas, and thereby engage in owning and operating a savings and loan association, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(4)(ii) of Regulation Y.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, March 5, 2007.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board. [FR Doc. E7–4173 Filed 3–8–07; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6210–01–S

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A. Federal Reserve Bank of Boston (Richard Walker, Community Affairs Officer) P.O. Box 55882, Boston, Massachusetts 02106-2204: