

DATE AND TIME: The special meeting of the Board was held at the offices of the Farm Credit Administration in McLean, Virginia, on September 26, 2002, from 3:30 p.m. until such time as the Board concluded its business.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeanette C. Brinkley, Acting Secretary to the Farm Credit Administration Board, (703) 883-4009, TTY (703)883-4056.

ADDRESSES: Farm Credit Administration, 1501 Farm Credit Drive, McLean, Virginia 22102-5090.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting of the Board was open to the public (limited space available). The matter considered at the meeting was:

Open Session

- New Business—Other
- FY 2003 Revised Budget and FY 2004 Proposed Budget.

Dated: October 1, 2002.

Jeanette C. Brinkley,
Acting Secretary, Farm Credit Administration Board.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

En Banc Hearing on Steps Toward Recovery in the Telecommunications Industry

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The hearing will bring together experts from the financial community and academic economists at an *en banc* hearing to conduct a comprehensive assessment of the current state of the telecommunications sector and to discuss steps needed to restore its financial health.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Monday, October 7, 2002, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in the Commission Meeting Room, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th St. SW, Washington, DC 20554.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert Pepper at (202) 418-2030 voice and e-mail rpepper@fcc.gov.

Robert Pepper,

Chief, Office of Plans and Policy, Federal Communications Commission.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Sunshine Act; Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: Federal Maritime Commission.

FEDERAL REGISTER CITATION OF PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENT: 67 FR 61341.

PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED TIME AND DATE OF THE MEETING: 10 p.m.–October 2, 2002.

CORRECTION: The correct time of the meeting is 10 a.m. not 10 p.m.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Bryant L. VanBrakle, Secretary, (202) 523-5725.

Bryant L. VanBrakle,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Guidelines for Ensuring and Maximizing the Quality, Objectivity, Utility, and Integrity of Information Disseminated by Federal Agencies

AGENCY: Federal Maritime Commission.

ACTION: Notice of posting of final information quality guidelines.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 515 of the Treasury and General Government Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2001 (Pub. L. 106-554, 114 Stat. 2763) and guidelines issued by the Office of Management and Budget, the Federal Maritime Commission ("Commission") is posting its final Information Quality Guidelines ("Guidelines") on its website at <http://www.fmc.gov>.

DATES: Effective October 1, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bryant L. VanBrakle, Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., Room 1046, Washington, DC 20573-0001, E-mail: secretary@fmc.gov.

Bryant L. VanBrakle,

Secretary.

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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. 1817(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 October 21, 2002.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis (Julie Stackhouse, Vice President) 90 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55480-0291:

1. *Robert B. Whitlock, Minneapolis, Minnesota, Jonathon H. Berg, M.D., Northwood, North Dakota, and Marie Gillespie, LaGrange Park, Illinois;* as trustees of the Lake Bank Shares, Inc., Employee Stock Ownership Plan, Emmons, Minnesota, and thereby indirectly control Lake Bank Shares, Inc., Emmons, Minnesota and its subsidiaries, Security Bank of Minnesota, Albert Lea, Minnesota, and First State Bank of Emmons, Emmons, Minnesota.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, September 30, 2002.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy 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 Web site 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 October 30, 2002.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (Sue Costello, Vice President) 1000 Peachtree Street, NE., Atlanta, Georgia 30309-4470:

1. *Hazlehurst Investors, Inc.*, Hazlehurst, Georgia; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Bank of Hazlehurst, Hazlehurst, Georgia.

2. *Synovus Financial Corp.*, Columbus, Georgia; to merge with United Financial Holdings, Inc., and thereby indirectly acquire United Bank and Trust Company, both of St. Petersburg, Florida, and United Bank of the Gulf Coast, Sarasota, Florida.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis (Randall C. Sumner, Vice President) 411 Locust Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63166-2034:

1. *Mercantile Bancorp, Inc.*, Quincy, Illinois; to acquire up to an additional 9.14 percent, for a total of 29 percent of New Frontier Bancshares, Inc., Saint Charles, Missouri, and thereby indirectly acquire New Frontier Bank, Saint Charles Missouri.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, September 30, 2002.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

Governmentwide Per Diem Advisory Board

AGENCY: Office of Governmentwide Policy, GSA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Governmentwide Per Diem Advisory Board will hold an open meeting from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Thursday, October 17, 2002. The meeting will be held at The Crystal City Marriott, 1999 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA

22202. This meeting is open to the public. Members of the public who wish to file a written statement with the Board may also be permitted 5 minutes for summary oral presentations at this meeting, assuming GSA receives a written copy c/o Rob Miller, Designated Federal Officer (MTT), General Services Administration, 1800 F St., NW Room 1221B, Washington, DC 20405, or via email at robl.miller@gsa.gov of any such oral presentation not later than 5 p.m. (ET) October 11, 2002.

Purpose: To review the current process and methodology that is used by GSA's Office of Governmentwide Policy to determine the per diem rates for destinations within the continental United States (CONUS), and to provide advice on best practices for a Federal lodging program. The Board will receive preliminary recommendations for improving the per diem process, and identifying best practices for a Governmentwide lodging program.

For security and building access: (1) ADA accessible facility; (2) public seating may be limited.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rob Miller (202) 501-4621, Designated Federal Officer, or Joddy Garner (202) 501-4857, Per Diem Program Manager, General Services Administration. Also, inquiries may be sent to robl.miller@gsa.gov.

Dated: September 27, 2002.

Becky Rhodes,

Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Transportation and Personal Property.

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

President's Homeland Security Advisory Council

AGENCY: Office of Governmentwide Policy, General Services Administration.

ACTION: Notice of Federal Advisory Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The President's Homeland Security Advisory Council (PHSAC or Council) will meet in closed session on Monday, October 21, 2002, in Washington, DC. The PHSAC will meet to receive briefings on sensitive homeland security matters and to review and discuss the draft National Strategy for the Physical Protection of Critical Infrastructures and Key Assets.

Objectives: The President's Homeland Security Advisory Council was established by Executive Order 13260 (67 FR 13241, March 21, 2002). The

objectives of the PHSAC are to provide advice and recommendations to the President of the United States through the Assistant to the President for Homeland Security on matters relating to homeland security.

Basis for Closed Meeting: In accordance with section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), it has been determined that this PHSAC meeting concerns matters sensitive to homeland security within the meaning of 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(7) and (9)(B) and that, accordingly, the meeting will be closed to the public.

Public Comments: Members of the public who wish to file a written statement with the PHSAC may do so by mail to Mr. Charles Howton at the following address: President's Homeland Security Advisory Council, U.S. General Services Administration (GSA/MC, Room G-230), 1800 F St., NW., Washington, DC 20405. Comments also may be sent to Charles Howton by e-mail at charles.howton@gsa.gov, or by facsimile (FAX) to (202) 273-3559.

Dated: October 1, 2002.

James L. Dean,

Director, Committee Management Secretariat, Office of Governmentwide Policy, General Services Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Notice of Award of Non-Competitive Grant

AGENCY: Administration for Native Americans, ACF, DHHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that ACF is considering awarding FY 2002 ANA grant funds without competition to the Chickasaw Nation for a 12 month project in the amount of \$150,000. The project period would begin September 30, 2002 and end September 29, 2003. This award will be made to the Chickasaw Nation to provide Federal support for the integration of Tribal, State and regional resources to offer services that will provide the skills and knowledge needed to sustain healthy families and marriages.

The Chickasaw Nation's Strong Family Project is designed to eliminate the fragmentation of services and integrate community services that