

1439-DR), dated November 5, 2002, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 5, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Magda Ruiz, Response and Recovery Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2705 or Magda.Ruiz@fema.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated November 5, 2002, the President declared a major disaster under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5206 (the Stafford Act), as follows:

I have determined that the damage in certain areas of the State of Texas, resulting from severe storms, tornadoes, and flooding on October 24, 2002, and continuing, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant a major disaster declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5206 (the Stafford Act). I, therefore, declare that such a major disaster exists in the State of Texas.

In order to provide Federal assistance, you are hereby authorized to allocate from funds available for these purposes, such amounts as you find necessary for Federal disaster assistance and administrative expenses.

You are authorized to provide Individual Assistance in the designated areas and any other forms of assistance under the Stafford Act you may deem appropriate. Direct Federal assistance is authorized. Consistent with the requirement that Federal assistance be supplemental, any Federal funds provided under the Stafford Act for Other Needs Assistance under Section 408 of the Stafford Act will be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs. If Public Assistance and Hazard Mitigation are later requested and warranted, Federal funds provided under each program will also be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs.

Further, you are authorized to make changes to this declaration to the extent allowable under the Stafford Act.

The time period prescribed for the implementation of section 310(a), Priority to Certain Applications for Public Facility and Public Housing Assistance, 42 U.S.C. 5153, shall be for a period not to exceed six months after the date of this declaration.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the authority vested in the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency under Executive Order 12148, I hereby appoint Sandra L. Coachman of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to act as the Federal Coordinating Officer for this declared disaster.

I do hereby determine the following area of the State of Texas to have been affected adversely by this declared major disaster:

Nueces County for Individual Assistance.

(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); 83.556, Fire Management Assistance; 83.558, Individual and Household Housing; 83.559, Individual and Household Disaster Housing Operations; 83.560 Individual and Household Program-Other Needs, 83.544, Public Assistance Grants; 83.548, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.)

Joe M. Allbaugh,

Director.

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FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

[FEMA-1439-DR]

Texas; Amendment No. 1 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 declaration for the State of Texas, (FEMA-1439-DR), dated November 5, 2002, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 8, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Magda Ruiz, Response and Recovery Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2705 or Magda.Ruiz@fema.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The notice of a major disaster declaration for the State of Texas is hereby amended to include the following areas among those areas determined to have been adversely affected by the catastrophe declared a major disaster by the President in his declaration of November 5, 2002:

Aransas, Hardin, Harris, Jefferson, Orange, and San Patricio Counties for Individual Assistance.

All counties within the State of Texas are eligible to apply for assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

(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); 83.556, Fire Management Assistance; 83.558, Individual and

Household Housing; 83.559, Individual and Household Disaster Housing Operations; 83.560, Individual and Household Program-Other Needs, 83.544, Public Assistance Grants; 83.548, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.)

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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 December 3, 2002.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City (Susan Zubradt, Assistant Vice President) 925 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri 64198-0001:

1. *Stephen Randolph Buford, Sam Dunkin Buford, Gentner Frederick Drummond*, all of Tulsa, Oklahoma, and Sharon Buford Linsenmeyer, Beatrice, Nebraska; to acquire voting shares of N.B.C. Bancshares in Pawhuska, Inc., Pawhuska, Oklahoma, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of NBC Bank, Pawhuska, Oklahoma.

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

1. *Joyce Anne Chiles*, Centerville, Washington; *William John Firstenburg* and *Bruce Edward Firstenburg*, Vancouver, Washington; to acquire additional voting shares of First Independent Investment Group, Inc., Vancouver, Washington, and thereby indirectly acquire additional voting shares of First Independent Bank, Vancouver, Washington.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, November 13, 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 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 December 13, 2002.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of

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

1. *Davis Trust Financial Corp.*, Elkins, West Virginia; to acquire 21.63 percent of the voting shares of First Clay County Banc Corporation, Clay, West Virginia, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of Clay County Bank, Inc., Clay, West Virginia.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago (Phillip Jackson, Applications Officer)

230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60690-1414:

1. *Prairieland Bancorp Employee Stock Ownership Plan and Trust*, Bushnell, Illinois; to increase its ownership of Prairieland Bancorp, Inc., Bushnell, Illinois, from 44.73 percent to 49.77 percent, and thereby indirectly acquire Farmers and Merchants State Bank, Bushnell, Illinois.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, November 13, 2002.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT BOARD

Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND DATE: 9 a.m. (EST) November 18, 2002.

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 October 21, 2002, Board member meeting.
2. Thrift Savings Plan activity report by the Executive Director.
3. Review of KPMG LLP audit reports: U.S. Department of Treasury Operations relating to the Thrift Savings Plan Investments in the Government Securities Investment Fund System Enhancement and Software Change Controls of the Thrift Savings Plan at the United States Department of Agriculture, National Finance Center Administrative Review of the Thrift Savings Plan Legacy System Subsystems at the United States Department of Agriculture, National Finance Center Pre-Implementation Review of the New Thrift Savings Plan Record Keeping System Preliminary Report on the Thrift Savings Plan's Retention of the National Finance Center as Record Keeper

4. Semiannual review of status of audit recommendations.
5. Labor Department audit briefing.
6. Quarterly investment policy review.
7. Annual ethics briefing.

Parts Closed to the Public

1. Discussion of litigation.
2. Discussion of personnel matter.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Thomas J. Trabucco, Director, Office of External Affairs, (202) 942-1640.

Dated: November 15, 2002.

David L. Hutner,

Secretary to the Board, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

Notice of Interest Rate on Overdue Debts

Section 30.13 of the Department of Health and Human Services' claims collection regulations (45 CFR part 30) provides that the Secretary shall charge an annual rate of interest as fixed by the Secretary of the Treasury after taking into consideration private consumer rates of interest prevailing on the date that HHS becomes entitled to recovery. The rate generally cannot be lower than the Department of Treasury's current value of funds rate or the applicable rate determined from the "Schedule of Certified Interest Rates with Range of Maturities." This rate may be revised quarterly by the Secretary of the Treasury and shall be published quarterly by the Department of Health and Human Services in the **Federal Register**.

The Secretary of the Treasury has certified a rate of 11¼% for the quarter ended September 30, 2002. This interest rate will remain in effect until such time as the Secretary of the Treasury notifies HHS of any change.

Dated: October 31, 2002.

George Strader,

Deputy Assistant Secretary, Finance.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

White House Initiative on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders; President's Advisory Commission; Notice of Cancelled Meeting

In FR Document Number 02-28880 appearing on page 68874 in the issue for Wednesday, November 13, 2002, the meeting of the President's Advisory Commission on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders scheduled for Friday, November 22, 2002 from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. EST at the Key Bridge Marriott, 1401 Lee Highway, Arlington, VA 22209, has been cancelled.