

Warren L. Dean, Jr., Thompson Coburn LLP., 1909 K Street, NW., Suite 600, Washington, DC 20006-1167. It is also requested that a copy of the comment be submitted in electronic form (WordPerfect, Word or ASCII) on diskette or e-mailed to [secretary@fmc.gov](mailto:secretary@fmc.gov).

The Petition will be posted on the Commission's homepage at <http://www.fmc.gov/Docket%20Log/Docket%20Log%20Index.htm>. All comments on the Petition will also be posted on the Commission's homepage at this location. Copies of the Petition also may be obtained by sending a request to the Office of the Secretary by regular mail, e-mail, or by calling (202) 523-5725.

Interested parties may also make oral presentations in this proceeding. At the discretion of individual Commissioners, interested persons may request one-on-one meetings at which they may make presentations describing their views on the Petition. All meetings shall be completed before the close of the comment period. A summary or transcript of each oral presentation will be included in the record and must be submitted to the Secretary of the Commission within 5 days of the meeting. Persons wishing to make oral presentations should contact the Office of the Secretary to secure contact names and numbers for individual Commissioners.

Comments submitted in response to this Notice shall be limited to the merits of this Petition. Commenters shall not use this as an opportunity to submit further comments or replies to Petition Nos. P3-03, P5-03, P7-03, P8-03, P9-03, P1-04 and P2-04 or any replies thereto. The comment period in these petitions is closed and the Commission's rules at 46 CFR 502.74 prohibit replies to replies.

Parties participating in this proceeding may elect to receive service of the Commission's issuances in this proceeding through e-mail in lieu of service by U.S. mail. A party opting for electronic service shall advise the Office of the Secretary in writing and provide an e-mail address where service can be made. Such request should be directed to [secretary@fmc.gov](mailto:secretary@fmc.gov).

**Bryant L. VanBrakle,**  
Secretary.

[FR Doc. 04-6394 Filed 3-22-04; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 6730-01-P

## FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Meeting

**TIME AND DATE:** 10 a.m.—March 31, 2004.

**PLACE:** 800 North Capitol Street, NW., First Floor Hearing Room, Washington, DC.

**STATUS:** A portion of the meeting will be open to the public and the remainder of the meeting will be closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** The open portion of the meeting:

1. *Docket No. 04-02*—Optional rider for proof of additional NVOCC financial responsibility.

The closed portion of the meeting:

1. *Petition No. P3-99*—Petition of China Ocean Shipping (Group) Company for a partial exemption from the Controlled Carrier Act.

2. *Petition No. P4-03*—Petition of China Shipping Container Lines Co., Ltd. for permanent full exemption from the first sentence of section 9(C) of the Shipping Act of 1984.

3. *Petition No. P6-03*—Petition of SINOTRANS Container Lines Co., Ltd. (SINOLINES) for a full exemption from the first sentence of section 9(c) of the Shipping Act of 1984, as amended.

4. *Docket No. 98-14*—Shipping restrictions, requirements and practices of the People's Republic of China.

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

**Bryant L. VanBrakle,**  
Secretary.

[FR Doc. 04-6634 Filed 3-19-04; 3:13 pm]

BILLING CODE 6730-01-M

## 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 April 6, 2004.

**A. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago** (Patrick Wilder, Managing Examiner) 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60690-1414:

1. *Mark Bradley Richardson*, Thetford Center, Vermont, and Kimberly Ann Richardson, Atlanta, Georgia, as trustees of the 1988 Irrevocable Trust of Coyn V. Richardson; to acquire additional voting shares of Cowden Bancorp, Inc., Springfield, Illinois, and thereby indirectly acquire Community Banks of Shelby County, Cowden, Illinois.

**B. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City** (James Hunter, Assistant Vice President) 925 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri 64198-0001:

1. *Gary D. and Donna L. Bunch*, both of Edmond, Oklahoma; to retain control of Exchange Bancshares of Moore, Inc., Moore, Oklahoma, and thereby indirectly retain voting shares of Exchange National Bank, Moore, Oklahoma.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, March 17, 2004.

**Robert deV. Frierson,**

*Deputy Secretary of the Board.*

[FR Doc. 04-6411 Filed 3-22-04; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 6210-01-S

## 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