

President) 701 East Byrd Street, Richmond, Virginia 23261-4528:

1. *The Exchange Bankshares, Inc.*, Estill, South Carolina; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of The Exchange Bank, Estill, South Carolina.

2. *Friedman, Billings, Ramsey Group, Inc.*, and its subsidiaries, FBR Bancorp, Inc.; Money Management Associates, Inc.; and Money Management Associates (LP), Inc.; of Arlington, Virginia; to become bank holding companies by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Rushmore National Bank, Bethesda, Maryland (successor by conversion of Rushmore Trust and Savings, FSB, Bethesda, Maryland, to a national bank).

In connection with this application, Friedman, Billings, Ramsey Group, Inc., Arlington, Virginia, also has applied to retain 6.34 percent of the voting shares of Pocahontas Bancorp, Inc., Pocahontas, Arkansas, and its sole thrift subsidiary, Pocahontas Federal Savings and Loan Association, Pocahontas, Arkansas, and thereby engage in owning shares in a savings association, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(4)(ii) of Regulation Y.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (Cynthia C. Goodwin, Vice President) 104 Marietta Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-2713:

1. *Firsttrust Corporation*, New Orleans, Louisiana; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Metro Bank, Kenner, Louisiana.

C. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City (D. Michael Manies, Assistant Vice President) 925 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri 64198-0001:

1. *Advantage Bancorp, Inc.*, Woodbury, Minnesota; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Advantage Bank, Loveland, Colorado, a de novo bank in organization.

2. *Commerce Financial Corporation Employee Stock Ownership Plan*, Topeka, Kansas; to become a bank holding company by acquiring at least 25.65 percent of the voting shares of Commerce Financial Corporation, Topeka, Kansas, and thereby indirectly acquire Commerce Bank and Trust, Topeka, Kansas.

In connection with this application, Applicant and Commerce Financial Corporation, Topeka, Kansas, also has applied to retain an additional 19.63 percent, for a total of 29.03 percent, of the voting shares of Financial Institution Technologies (also known as Suntell, Topeka, Kansas), and thereby engage in data processing activities, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(14)(i)(A) of Regulation Y.

D. Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco (Maria Villanueva, Consumer

Regulation Group) 101 Market Street, San Francisco, California 94105-1579:

1. *Wells Fargo & Company*, San Francisco, California; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Buffalo National Bancshares, Inc., Buffalo, Minnesota, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of The Buffalo National Bank, Buffalo, Minnesota.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, July 19, 2000.

Robert deV. Frierson,
Associate Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Notice of Proposals To Engage in Permissible Nonbanking Activities or To Acquire Companies That Are Engaged in Permissible Nonbanking Activities

The companies listed in this notice have given notice under section 4 of the Bank Holding Company Act (12 U.S.C. 1843) (BHC Act) and Regulation Y, (12 CFR Part 225) to engage *de novo*, or to acquire or control voting securities or assets of a company, including the companies listed below, that engages either directly or through a subsidiary or other company, in a nonbanking activity that is listed in § 225.28 of Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.28) or that the Board has determined by Order to be closely related to banking and permissible for bank holding companies. Unless otherwise noted, these activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

Each notice is available for inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notice also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the question whether the proposal complies with the standards of section 4 of the BHC Act. 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 the applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than August 8, 2000.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia (Michael E. Collins, Senior Vice President) 100 North 6th Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19105-1521:

1. *USABancShares.com*, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; to engage *de novo* through its subsidiary, Bondsonline Group, Inc., Mercer Island, Washington, in brokerage activities, investment

banking, and information services, pursuant to §§ 225.28(b)(7) and (b)(8) of Regulation Y.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, July 19, 2000.

Robert deV. Frierson,
Associate Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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Proposed Data Collections Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations

In compliance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects. To request more information on the proposed projects or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, call the CDC Reports Clearance Officer on (404) 639-7090.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques for other forms of information technology. Send comments to Anne O'Connor, CDC Assistant Reports Clearance Officer, 1600 Clifton Road, MS-D24, Atlanta, GA 30333. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Proposed Project: Key Informant Interviews to Identify the Barriers to the Implementation of the New Targeted Testing and Treatment of Latent TB Infection Recommendations—NEW—In April 2000, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the American Thoracic Society (ATS) issued new recommendations for targeted tuberculin testing and treatment regimens for persons with latent tuberculosis infection (LTBI.) The