prepaid cards. In light of the addition of Section V on general-use prepaid cards, as discussed earlier, the Board will exclude general-use prepaid card transactions from this section.

Payment Card Network Survey (FR 3064b)

Section-by-Section Analysis

I. Respondent Information

The Board proposed to ask respondents to provide the network covered in this response and the contact person(s) name, section of the survey for which they are responsible, email, and phone number. Respondents also would report whether the payment card network is a single-message (PIN) or dual-message (signature) network, and whether the payment card network offers a tiered interchange fee rate schedule that differentiates between exempt issuers and non-exempt issuers, and the number of merchant locations. The Board received no comments on this section. This section will be implemented as proposed with clarifying changes as appropriate.

II. Debit Card Transactions (Including General-Use Prepaid Card Transactions)

The Board proposed to ask respondents to report the volume and value of settled purchase transactions; as well as information related to cardpresent versus card-not-present transactions; general-use prepaid card versus non-general-use prepaid card transactions; general-use prepaid card transactions exempt from the interchange fee standards in Regulation II versus general-use prepaid card transactions that are not exempt; transactions processed for small issuers that are exempt from the interchange fee standards versus those processed for non-exempt issuers; pre- and posteffective date transactions processed for exempt and non-exempt debit card issuers; chargebacks and returns to merchants; the value of interchange fees; the value of network fees; and payments and incentives paid by networks to acquirers, merchants, and

The Board requested comment on whether the networks can provide data for exempt and non-exempt issuers that compares information for three time periods: January 1 to June 30, 2011 (during which all transactions would be considered exempt); July 1 to September 30, 2011 (during which some networks may have begun to distinguish between exempt and non-exempt issuers, if such networks are offering a tiered interchange fee schedule); and October 1 to December 31, 2011 (during which

all networks that provide a tiered interchange fee schedule would distinguish between exempt and non-exempt issuers). Four commenters stated that the data should be collected only for two time periods, pre-and post-October 1, 2011, in order to assess the effect of Regulation II on the practices of networks in paying and assessing fees. The Board considered the comments and has decided to modify the request to collect data for two time periods: January 1 to September 30, 2011 and October 1 to December 31, 2011.

By order of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, December 16, 2011.

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.

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 January 17, 2012.

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

1. Faribault FSL Bancorporation, Inc., Faribault, Minnesota; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of 1st United Bank, Faribault, Minnesota. 1st United Bank, Faribault, Minnesota, intends to convert from a federal savings bank to a Minnesota state-chartered bank.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco (Kenneth Binning, Vice President, Applications and Enforcement) 101 Market Street, San Francisco, California 94105–1579:

1. Private Bancorp of America, Inc., La Jolla, California; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of San Diego Private Bank, La Jolla, California.

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FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission (FTC or Commission).

ACTION: Notice and request for comment.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the FTC is seeking public comments on its request to OMB for a three-year extension of the current PRA clearance for items (a)–(c) below setting out the information collection requirements pertaining to the Commission's administrative activities. (OMB Control Number 3084–0047). That clearance expires on December 31, 2011.

DATES: Comments must be filed by January 20, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties may submit written comments by following the instructions in the Request for Comments part of the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section below. Comments in electronic form should be submitted by using this Web link: https://ftcpublic.commentworks.com/ftc/adminactivitiespra2. Comments in paper form should be mailed or delivered to the following address: Federal Trade Commission, Office of the Secretary, Room H–113 (Annex J), 600