

FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION**Farm Credit Administration Board; Sunshine Act; Regular Meeting**

AGENCY: Farm Credit Administration.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Government in the Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. 552b(e)(3)), of the regular meeting of the Farm Credit Administration Board (Board).

Date and Time: The regular meeting of the Board will be held at the offices of the Farm Credit Administration in McLean, Virginia, on September 14, 2006, from 9 a.m. until such time as the Board concludes its business.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Roland E. Smith, 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: Parts of this meeting of the Board will be open to the public (limited space available), and parts will be closed to the public. In order to increase the accessibility to Board meetings, persons requiring assistance should make arrangements in advance. The matters to be considered at the meeting are:

Open Session*A. Approval of Minutes*

- August 10, 2006 (Open)

*B. New Business**1. Regulations*

- Financing for Processing and Marketing—Proposed Rule
- Privacy Act and Security Information—Final Rule

1. Reports

- Farm Credit System Building Association Quarterly Report

Closed Session*

- Office of Secondary Market Oversight Quarterly Report

*Session Closed—Exempt pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(8) and (9).

Dated: September 6, 2006.

Roland E. Smith,

Secretary, Farm Credit Administration Board.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION**Sunshine Act; Notice of Meeting**

DATE AND TIME: *Thursday, September 14, 2006 at 10 a.m.*

PLACE: 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC (Ninth Floor).

STATUS: This Meeting Will Be Open to the Public.

THE FOLLOWING ITEM HAS BEEN ADDED TO THE AGENDA: Draft Final Rules and E&J on Amendments to 11 CFR 102.12 and 102.13.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Robert Biersack, Press Officer. Telephone: (202) 694-1220.

Mary W. Dove,

Secretary of the Commission.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

[Notice 2006-16]

Filing Dates for the Texas Special Election in the 22nd Congressional District

AGENCY: Federal Election Commission.

ACTION: Notice of filing dates for special election.

SUMMARY: Texas has scheduled a special election on November 7, 2006, to fill the U.S. House of Representatives seat in the Twenty-Second Congressional District vacated by Representative Tom DeLay. There are two possible elections, but only one may be necessary. If no candidate wins a majority of votes in the Special General Election, the two top vote-getters, regardless of party affiliation, will participate in a Special Runoff Election on a date to be set by the Governor after November 7, 2006.

Committees participating in the Texas special election are required to file pre- and post-election reports.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Kevin R. Salley, Information Division, 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC 20463; Telephone: (202) 694-1100; Toll Free (800) 424-9530.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Principal Campaign Committees**

All principal campaign committees of candidates participating in the Texas

Special General Election shall file a 12-day Pre-General Report on October 26, 2006. If there is a majority winner, committees must also file a 30-day Post-General Report on December 7, 2006. (See chart below for the closing date for each report).

Unauthorized Committees (PACs and Party Committees)

Political committees filing on a quarterly basis in 2006 are subject to special election reporting if they make previously undisclosed contributions or expenditures in connection with the Texas Special General Election by the close of books for the applicable report(s). (See chart below for the closing date for each report).

Committees filing monthly that support candidates in the Texas Special General Election should continue to file according to the monthly reporting schedule.

Disclosure of Electioneering Communications (Individuals and Other Unregistered Organizations)

As required by the Bipartisan Campaign Reform Act of 2002, the Federal Election Commission promulgated new electioneering communications rules governing television and radio communications that refer to a clearly identified Federal candidate and are distributed within 60 days prior to a special general election. See 11 CFR 100.29. The statute and regulations require, among other things, that individuals and other groups not registered with the FEC who make electioneering communications costing more than \$10,000 in the aggregate in a calendar year disclose that activity to the Commission within 24 hours of the distribution of the communication. See 11 CFR 104.20.

The 60-day electioneering communications period in connection with the Texas Special General runs from September 8, 2006 through November 7, 2006.

Possible Special Runoff Election

In the event that no candidate receives a majority of the votes in the Special General Election, a Special Runoff Election will be held. The Commission will publish a future notice giving the filing dates for that election if it becomes necessary.

CALENDAR OF REPORTING DATES FOR TEXAS SPECIAL ELECTION

| Report | Close of books ¹ | Reg./cert. & overnight mailing date | Filing date |
|---|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| If Only The Special General Is Held (11/07/06), Committees Must File: | | | |

CALENDAR OF REPORTING DATES FOR TEXAS SPECIAL ELECTION—Continued

| Report | Close of books ¹ | Reg./cert. & overnight mailing date | Filing date |
|--|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Pre-General | 10/18/06 | 10/23/06 | 10/26/06 |
| Post-General | 11/27/06 | 12/07/06 | 12/07/06 |
| Year-End | 12/31/06 | 01/31/07 | 01/31/07 |
| If Two Elections Are Held, Committees Involved In Only The Special General (11/07/06) Must File: | | | |
| Pre-General | 10/18/06 | 10/23/06 | 10/26/06 |
| Year-End | 12/31/06 | 01/31/07 | 01/31/07 |

¹ The period begins with the close of books of the last report filed by the committee. If the committee has filed no previous reports, the period begins with the date of the committee's first activity.

Dated: September 5, 2006.

Michael E. Toner,

Chairman, Federal Election Commission.

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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 October 6, 2006.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago

(Patrick M. Wilder, Assistant Vice President) 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60690-1414:

1. *ChoiceOne Financial Services, Inc.*, Sparta, Michigan; to merge with Valley Ridge Financial Corp., Kent City, Michigan, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of Valley Ridge Bank, Kent City, Michigan.

2. *Town Bancshares, Inc.*, Antioch, Illinois; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Town Community Bank and Trust (formerly Greater North Bank), Antioch, Illinois.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis (Glenda Wilson, Community Affairs Officer) 411 Locust Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63166-2034:

1. *Ashley Bancstock Company*, Crossett, Arkansas; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of First Community Bank of Crawford County, Van Buren, Arkansas.

2. *St. Elizabeth Bancshares, Inc.*, Saint Elizabeth, Missouri; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Bank of Freeburg, Freeburg, Missouri.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, September 6, 2006.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Federal Open Market Committee; Domestic Policy Directive of August 8, 2006

In accordance with § 271.25 of its rules regarding availability of information (12 CFR part 271), there is set forth below the domestic policy directive issued by the Federal Open Market Committee at its meeting held on August 8, 2006.¹

¹ Copies of the Minutes of the Federal Open Market Committee Meeting on August 8, 2006, which includes the domestic policy directive issued at the meeting, are available upon request to the

The Federal Open Market Committee seeks monetary and financial conditions that will foster price stability and promote sustainable growth in output. To further its long-run objectives, the Committee in the immediate future seeks conditions in reserve markets consistent with maintaining the Federal funds rate to an average of around 5¼ percent.

The vote encompassed approval of the paragraph below for inclusion in the statement to be released shortly after the meeting:

The Committee judges that some inflation risks remain. The extent and timing of any additional firming that may be needed to address these risks will depend on the evolution of the outlook for both inflation and economic growth, as implied by incoming information.

By order of the Federal Open Market Committee, August 31, 2006.

Vincent R. Reinhart,

Secretary, Federal Open Market Committee.

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FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT BOARD

Sunshine Act Notice

TIME AND DATE: 9 a.m. (EDT) September 18, 2006.

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 August 21, 2006 Board member meeting.
2. Thrift Savings Plan activity report by the Executive Director.
3. Annual budget report.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington, DC 20551. The minutes are published in the Federal Reserve Bulletin and in the Board's annual report.