

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 November 17, 2003.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (Sue Costello, Vice President) 1000 Peachtree Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30309-4470:

1. *Crews Banking Corp.*, Wauchula, Florida; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Englewood Acquisition Bank, Englewood, Florida.

2. *Crews Banking Corp.*, Wauchula, Florida; to merge with Desoto Banking Corp., Arcadia, Florida, and thereby indirectly acquire The First State Bank of Arcadia, Arcadia, Florida.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, October 17, 2003.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION**Granting of Request for Early Termination of the Waiting Period Under the Premerger Notification Rules**

Section 7A of the Clayton Act, 15 U.S.C. 18a, as added by Title II of the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, requires persons contemplating certain mergers or acquisitions to give the Federal Trade Commission and the Assistant Attorney General advance notice and to wait designated periods before consummation of such plans. Section 7A(b)(2) of the Act permits the agencies, in individual cases, to terminate this waiting period prior to its expiration and requires that notice of this action be published in the **Federal Register**.

The following transactions were granted early termination of the waiting period provided by law and the premerger notification rules. The grants were made by the Federal Trade Commission and the Assistant Attorney General for the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice. Neither agency intends to take any action with respect to these proposed acquisitions during the applicable waiting period.

TRANSACTION GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION

ET date	Trans num	ET req status	Party name
22-Sep-03	20030956	G	Helen of Troy Limited.
		G	Unilever N.V.
		G	Conopco, Inc.
	20030965	G	Lindsay Goldberg & Bessemer LP.
		G	Jonathan Frankel.
		G	Certified Merchant Services, Ltd.
24-Sept-03	20030947	G	Anheuser-Busch Companies, Inc.
		G	Robert and Beverly Lewis.
		G	FBC Industries.
	20030968	G	Informatica Corporation.
		G	Striva Corporation.
		G	Striva Corporation.
26-Sep-03	20030942	G	Telenor ASA.
		G	Golden Telecom, Inc.
		G	Golden Telecom, Inc.
	20030953	Y	The Seminole Group, L.P.
		Y	The Williams Companies, Inc.
		Y	Gas Supply, L.L.C.
	20030960	Y	Williams Midstream Marketing and Risk Management L.L.C.
		Y	Williams Power Company, Inc.
		Y	The Berwind Company LLC.
	20030978	Y	Whitehall Associates, L.P.
		Y	Elmer's Holdings, Inc.
		G	American Capital Strategies, Ltd.
	20030980	G	ICN Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
		G	ICN Biomedicals, Inc.
		G	Lone Star Fund IV (U.S.), L.P.
29-SEP-03	20030944	G	Korea Exchange Bank.
		G	Korea Exchange Bank.
		G	Fritz Gerber.
	20030951	G	IGEN International, Inc.
		G	IGEN International, Inc.
		G	Mayne Group Limited.