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 Web site 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 March 19, 2004

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Boston (Richard Walker, Community Affairs Officer) 600 Atlantic Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts 02106–2204:

1. Webster Financial Corporation, Waterbury, Connecticut; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Webster Bank, Waterbury, Connecticut, upon its conversion to a national bank.

In connection with this application, Applicant to acquire Webster D & P Holdings, Inc., Waterbury, Connecticut, and thereby indirectly acquire 73.6 percent of Duff & Phelps, LLC and Duff & Phelps Securities, LLC, both of Chicago, Illinois, and thereby engage in financial advisory and agency transaction activities, pursuant to sections 225.28(b)(6)(iii), 225.28(b)(7)(i) and 225.28(b)(7)(iii) of Regulation Y.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland (Nadine W. Wallman, Assistant Vice President) 1455 East Sixth Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44101–2566:

1. National City Corporation, Cleveland, Ohio; to merge with Provident Financial Group, Inc., Cincinnati, Ohio, and thereby indirectly acquire Provident Bank, Cincinnati, Ohio.

In connection with this application, Applicant to acquire 100 percent of Provident Investment Advisors, Inc., Cincinnati, Ohio, and thereby engage in financing and investment advisory activities, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(6) of Regulation Y.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, February 19, 2004.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board. [FR Doc. E4-372 Filed 2-24-04; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6210-01-S

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Notice of Meeting of the Advisory Committee on Blood Safety and Availability

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HHS. **ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Advisory Committee on Blood Safety and Availability will meet to examine the question; what is the optimal practice of medicine in the donor room setting. The meeting will be entirely open to the public.

DATES: The Advisory Committee on Blood Safety and Availability will meet on Wednesday, April 7 and Thursday, April 8, 2004 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. **ADDRESSES:** The meeting will take place

at the Grand Hyatt Washington Hotel, 1000 H Street, NW., Washington, DC 20001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jerry

A. Holmberg, Executive Secretary, Advisory Committee on Blood Safety and Availability, Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Public Health and Science, 1101 Wootton Parkway, Suite 250, Rockville, MD 20852, (301) 443–2331, FAX (301) 443–4788, e-mail jholmberg@osophs.dhhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Public comment will be solicited at the meeting. Public comment will be limited to five minutes per speaker. Those who wish to have printed material distributed to Advisory Committee members should submit thirty (30) copies to the Executive Secretary prior to close of business March 31, 2004. Those who wish to utilize electronic data projection in their presentation to the Committee must submit their material to the Executive Secretary prior to close of business March 31, 2004. In addition, anyone planning to comment is encouraged to contact the Executive Secretary at her/ his earliest convenience.

Dated: February 18, 2004.

Jerry A. Holmberg,

Executive Secretary, Advisory Committee on Blood Safety and Availability.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics: Meeting

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) announces the following advisory committee meeting.

Name: National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics (NCVHS).

Time and Date: March 4, 2004 9 a.m.-3 p.m., March 5, 2004 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Place: Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue SW., Room 505A, Washington, DC 20201.

Status: Open.

Purpose: At this meeting the Committee will hear presentations and hold discussions on several health data policy topics. On the morning of the first day the Committee will review letters to the HHS Secretary on claims attachments and privacy. A presentation on health statistics for the 21st century is also planned with subsequent discussion. In the afternoon there will be a discussion of recommendations, reports and letters that the Committee is working on in selected areas including quality, and racial and ethnic data. On the second day the Committee will hear updates and status reports from the Department on several topics including HHS Data Council activities, responses to NCVHS reports and recommendations, clinical data standards adoption, the Consumer Health Informatics Initiative, and the HIPAA privacy rule implementation. In the afternoon the Committee will discuss its 6th annual report to Congress on HIPAA implementation. There will also be reports from the Subcommittees and discussion of agendas for future Committee meetings.

The times shown above are for the full Committee meeting. Subcommittee breakout sessions are scheduled for late in the afternoon of the first day and in the morning prior to the full Committee meeting on the second day. Agendas for these breakout sessions will be posted on the NCVHS website (URL below) when available.

For Further Information Contact:
Substantive program information as well as summaries of meetings and a roster of committee members may be obtained from Marjorie S. Greenberg, Executive Secretary, NCVHS, National Center for Health Statistics, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 3311 Toledo Road, Room 2402, Hyattsville, Maryland 20782, telephone (301) 458–4245. Information also is available on the NCVHS home page of the HHS Web site: http://www.ncvhs.hhs.gov/, where further information including an agenda will be posted when available.

Should you require reasonable accommodation, please contact the CDC Office of Equal Employment Opportunity on (301) 458–4EEO (4336) as soon as possible.

Dated: February 12, 2004.

James Scanlon,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Science and Data Policy, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation.

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