

to provide advice, recommendations, and counsel on the continuing development and maintenance of a National Urban Search and Rescue Response System to the Director of FEMA. Principal functions of the Advisory Committee include:

a. Providing guidance to FEMA on the continuing development and implementation of a National Urban Search and Rescue capability;

b. Recommending priorities and appropriate funding levels for Urban Search and Rescue capability development and maintenance;

c. Overseeing the existing working group structure and recommending new working groups, as necessary;

d. Providing guidance and recommendations to FEMA regarding the concerns and priorities of the organizations which the members of the Advisory Committee represent; and,

e. Addressing legislative and State/local political matters that affect the National Urban Search and Rescue Response System.

The Advisory Committee will be comprised of up to 10 members, including the Designated Federal Officer for the Committee, or his or her designee, who will serve as the Chair. Members are appointed for 2-year terms, subject to renewal, and will serve at the discretion of the Designated Federal Officer. Members are selected to ensure a balanced representation of interests. Appointments to the Advisory Committee are reserved for representatives of the organizations that are most involved with the National Urban Search and Rescue Response System, to include Task Forces, State emergency management organizations, and fire service management and labor organizations.

The Advisory Committee shall also operate ad hoc committees and standing Functional Working Groups, as necessary to meet its responsibilities. They shall be accomplished through an Operations Group, that consists of a representative of the Task Force Leaders, three Task Force Leaders representing the three geographic divisions established within the United States, and the chairs of all Functional Working Groups. The Operations Group will report to the Chair of the Advisory Committee. Members of the Functional Working Groups are recommended based on professional expertise in fields such as search, rescue medicine, technology, logistics, communications and information technology, training, law, and structural engineering and emergency management. Federal employees may be considered for membership on the Advisory Committee

or Functional Working Groups, if they possess unique expertise that will augment effective operation of the Committee or Working Group.

Comments: Comments on the re-establishment of the National Urban Search and Rescue Advisory Committee should be submitted on or before April 20, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Comment on re-establishment of the Advisory Committee are invited and should be addressed to the Rules Docket Clerk, Office of General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW, Room 840, Washington, DC 20472 or via e-mail at rules@fema.gov.

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Reginald Trujillo,

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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 April 26, 2001.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis (JoAnne F. Lewellen, Assistant Vice President) 90 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55480-0291:

1. *JBS, Inc., (formerly known as Jans Bancshares, Inc.)*, Kulm, North Dakota; to merge with Edgeley Bancorporation, Inc., Edgeley, North Dakota, and thereby indirectly acquire Security State Bank of Edgeley, Edgeley, North Dakota.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, March 30, 2001.

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