description of the State's Continuing Planning Process.

B. Public Comments

The EPA received numerous public comments concerning the Alaska APDES program. Several comments urged the EPA to approve the State's program. Supporters of approval felt the State had met all of the CWA requirements and that the program would benefit from being operated by ADEC though increased accessibility, resources, and familiarity with Alaska conditions. Comments were received that urged EPA to not approve the authorization request based on grounds that the application did not meet CWA requirements, including the lack of an adequate state enforcement program. Numerous Tribal governments and communities expressed concerns that once Alaska receives authorization, government-to-government tribal consultation with EPA would no longer be required and Tribes would lose an avenue for providing input into permit decisions. Some Tribes assert EPA's trust responsibilities to Tribes prohibit program approval until all Tribal concerns are addressed. All public comments are addressed in the EPA Response to Comments document dated October 31, 2008, and can be viewed and downloaded from the EPA Web site, http://www.epa.gov/r10earth/ waterpermits.htm.

C. Obtaining Copies of Documents

To obtain copies of documents contact Audrey Washington, Office of Water and Watersheds, U.S.
Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10, 1200 6th Avenue, Suite 900, Mail Stop OWW–130, Seattle, WA 98101–3140, (206) 553–0523, washington.audrey@epa.gov; or Sharon Morgan, Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation, P.O. Box 11800, 410 Willoughby Avenue, Suite 303, Juneau, AK 99811–1800, (907) 465–5530, sharon.morgan@alaska.gov.

D. Notice of Decision

I hereby provide public notice that EPA has taken final action authorizing Alaska to administer and implement the approved Alaska Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (APDES) program through the Alaska Department of Environmental Quality (ADEC) regulating discharges of pollutants into waters of the United States under its jurisdiction.

Authority: This action is taken under the authority of section 402 of the Clean Water Act as amended, 42 U.S.C. 1342.

Dated: October 31, 2008.

Elin D. Miller,

Regional Administrator, EPA, Region 10. [FR Doc. E8–26486 Filed 11–6–08; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6560–50–P

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Notices

AGENCY: Federal Election Commission. **DATE AND TIME:** Friday, November 7, 2008 at 10 a.m.

PLACE: 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC.

STATUS: This meeting will be closed to the public.

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED: Compliance matters pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 437g.

Audits conducted pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 437g, 438(b), and Title 26, U.S.C. Matters concerning participation in civil actions or proceedings or arbitration. Internal personnel rules and procedures or matters affecting a particular employee.

PERSON TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION:

Mr. Robert Biersack, Press Officer, Telephone: (202) 694–1220.

Mary W. Dove,

Secretary of the Commission. [FR Doc. E8–26420 Filed 11–6–08; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6715–01–M

FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Change in Bank Control Notices; Acquisition of Shares of Bank or Bank Holding Companies

The notificants listed below have applied under the Change in Bank Control Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)) and § 225.41 of the Board's Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.41) to acquire a bank or bank holding company. The factors that are considered in acting on the notices are set forth in paragraph 7 of the Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)(7)).

The notices are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notices also will be available for inspection at the office of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing to the Reserve Bank indicated for that notice or to the offices of the Board of Governors. Comments must be received not later than November 24, 2008.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis (Glenda Wilson, Community Affairs Officer) P.O. Box 442, St. Louis, Missouri 63166–2034:

1. First National Bank of Sparta Profit Sharing Plan; David Hauskins; Roger Deterding; and Mary Lou Bauer, each as Trustees of the Plan, together with David Hauskins; Mary Hauskins; The Roger L. Deterding Declaration of Trust; Roger L. Deterding as Trustee; The Nancy K. Deterding Declaration of Trust; Nancy K. Deterding as Trustee, all of Sparta, Illinois, and Mary Lou Bauer, Red Bud, Illinois, to gain control of First Bancorp of Sparta, Ltd., and thereby indirectly acquire control of First National Bank of Sparta, both of Sparta, Illinois.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, November 4, 2008.

Jennifer J. Johnson,

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 applications 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 December 4, 2008.