

First Commerce Corporation, New Orleans, Louisiana, and thereby indirectly acquire First National Bank of Commerce, New Orleans, Louisiana; City National Bank of Baton Rouge, Baton Rouge, Louisiana; Rapides Bank & Trust Company in Alexandria, Alexandria, Louisiana; The First National Bank of Lafayette, Lafayette, Louisiana; The First National Bank of Lake Charles, Lake Charles, Louisiana; Central Bank, Monroe, Louisiana; and First United Bank of Farmerville, Farmerville, Louisiana.

In connection with this application, Applicant also has applied to acquire First Commerce Service Corporation, New Orleans, Louisiana, and thereby engage in providing data processing and data transmission services, facilities, data bases, advice and access to such services, facilities, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(14) of the Board's Regulation Y.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis (Randall C. Sumner, Vice President) 411 Locust Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63102-2034:

1. *First United Bancshares, Inc.*, El Dorado, Arkansas; to merge with First Republic Bancshares, Inc., Rayville, Louisiana, and thereby indirectly acquire First Republic Bank, Rayville, Louisiana.

2. *Unity Bancshares, L.L.C.*, St. John, Missouri; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 60.1 percent of the voting shares of St. Johns Bancshares, Inc., St. John, Missouri, and thereby indirectly acquire St. Johns Bank and Trust Company, St. John, Missouri.

C. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City (D. Michael Manies, Assistant Vice President) 925 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri 64198-0001:

1. *AmCorp Financial Inc.*, Ardmore, Oklahoma; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of First State Bank, Morton, Texas. In addition, the bank's main office will be relocated to Keller, Texas, and the bank will be renamed American Bank, Keller, Texas.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, January 22, 1998.

Jennifer J. Johnson,

Deputy 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 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.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding the applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than February 20, 1998.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond (A. Linwood Gill III, Assistant Vice President) 701 East Byrd Street, Richmond, Virginia 23261-4528:

1. *City Holding Company*, Charleston, West Virginia; to acquire Del Amo Savings Bank, F.S.B., Torrance, California, and thereby engage in operating a savings and loan association, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(4)(ii) of the Board's Regulation Y.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, January 21, 1998.

Jennifer J. Johnson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND DATE: 12:00 noon, Monday, February 2, 1998.

PLACE: Marriner S. Eccles Federal Reserve Board Building, 20th and C Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20551.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Federal Reserve Bank and Branch director appointments. (This item was originally announced for a closed meeting on January 14, 1998.)

2. Personnel actions (appointments, promotions, assignments, reassignments, and salary actions) involving individual Federal Reserve System employees.

3. Any matters carried forward from a previously announced meeting.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Joseph R. Coyne, Assistant to the Board; 202-452-3204.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: You may call 202-452-3206 beginning at approximately 5 p.m. to business days before the meeting for a recorded announcement of bank and bank holding company applications scheduled for the meeting; or you may contact the Board's Web site at <http://www.bog.frb.fed.us> for an electronic announcement that not only lists applications, but also indicates procedural and other information about the meeting.

Dated: January 23, 1998.

Jennifer J. Johnson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Differences in Capital and Accounting Standards Among the Federal Banking and Thrift Agencies; Report to Congressional Committees

AGENCY: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (FRB).

ACTION: Notice of report to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs of the United States Senate and to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services of the United States House of Representatives.

SUMMARY: This report was prepared by the FRB pursuant to section 121 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991 (12 U.S.C. 1831n(c)). Section 121 requires each Federal banking and thrift agency to report annually to the above specified Congressional Committees regarding any differences between the accounting or capital standards used by such agency and the accounting or capital standards used by other banking and thrift agencies. The report must be published in the **Federal Register**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gerald A. Edwards, Deputy Associate Director (202/452-2741), Norah Barger, Assistant Director (202/452-2402),