

indirectly acquire Empire Banking Co., Homerville, Georgia.

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

1. *National City Bancshares, Inc.*, Evansville, Indiana; to merge with Community First Financial, Inc., Maysville, Kentucky, and thereby indirectly acquire Community First Bank of Kentucky, Warsaw, Kentucky, and Community First Bank, N.A., Maysville, Kentucky.

2. *National City Bancshares, Inc.*, Evansville, Indiana; to merge with Trigg Bancorp, Inc., Cadiz, Kentucky, and thereby indirectly acquire Trigg County Farmers Bank, Cadiz, Kentucky.

3. *Independent Southern Bancshares, Inc. ESOT*, Brownsville, Tennessee, and its subsidiary, Independent Southern Bancshares, Inc., Brownsville, Tennessee; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of First Western Bank, Cooper City, Florida.

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

1. *Archer, Inc.*, Central City, Nebraska; to acquire an additional 9 percent, for a total of 57.20 percent, of the voting shares of Osceola Insurance, Inc., Osceola, Nebraska, and thereby indirectly acquire First National Bank, Osceola, Nebraska, and Gretna State Bank, Gretna, Nebraska.

2. *Gold Banc Corporation, Inc.*, and *Gold Banc Acquisition Corporation VII, Inc.*, both of Leawood, Kansas; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of First State Bancorp., Inc., Pittsburg, Kansas, and thereby indirectly acquire First State Bank & Trust Company, Pittsburg, Kansas. In connection with this application Gold Banc Acquisition Corporation VII, Inc., Leawood, Kansas, has applied to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of First State Bancorp., Inc., Pittsburg, Kansas; and thereby indirectly acquire First State Bank & Trust Company, Pittsburg, Kansas.

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Robert deV. Frierson,

Associate 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 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. Unless otherwise noted, nonbanking activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

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 July 13, 1998.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas (W. Arthur Tribble, President) 2200 North Pearl Street, Dallas, Texas 75201-2272:

1. *The A.N.B. Holding Company, Ltd., The ANB Corporation, and ANB Delaware Corporation*, all of Terrell, Texas; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Bank of Van Zandt, Canton, Texas.

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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.

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 July 2, 1998.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of New York (Betsy Buttrill White, Senior Vice President) 33 Liberty Street, New York, New York 10045-0001:

1. *Cooperatieve Centrale Raiffeisen-Boerenleenbank B.A.*, Utrecht, The Netherlands; to acquire Weiss, Peck & Greer, L.L.C., New York, New York, and thereby engage in acting as investment and financial adviser to any person, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(6) of Regulation Y; conducting agency transactional services for customer investments, pursuant to § 225.28 (b)(7) of Regulation Y; acting directly or indirectly as general partner of, managing member in or otherwise controlling investment funds that invest in up to 5 percent of the voting securities and 25 percent of the nonvoting equity of companies; See *The Dresdner Bank, A.G.*, 84 Fed. Res. Bull. 361 (1998), ("Dresdner/Oeschle"); *The Bessemer Group, Incorporated*, 82 Fed. Bull. 569 (1996); and *Meridian Bancorp, Inc.*, 80 Fed. Res. Bull. 736 (1994); acting as a commodity pool operator, See *Dresdner/Oeschle*; providing administrative services to mutual funds to the extent set forth in Board orders, See *Lloyds/IAI Lloyds TSB Group plc*, 84 Fed. Res. Bull. 116 (1998); *The Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland*, 82 Fed. Res. Bull. 1129 (1996); *Bankers Trust New York Corporation*, 83 Fed. Res. Bull. 780 (1996); and *J.P.Morgan*, 84 Fed. Res. Bull. 113 (1997).

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