

Officers: Augusto G. Santos, President, Kitaik Chung, Managing Director (Qualifying Individual).

Ocean Freight Forwarders—Ocean Transportation Intermediary Applicants

GRV Export Services, 1915 Barnsley Ln., Houston, TX 77088, Guadalupe R. Vera, Sole Proprietor.

NTD Shipping, Inc., 12110 Oak Park Drive, Houston, TX 77070. Officers: Casie McCorquodale, President (Qualifying Individual), Diana Atchison, Secretary.

Arrowpac Incorporated, 2240 74th Street, North Bergen, NJ 07047. Officers: Paul S. Doherty, Jr., President (Qualifying Individual), Walter J. Kenney, Vice President. Philippine Unimovers Express, 1325 West Willow Street, Long Beach, CA 90810, Emanuel Nacario, Sole Proprietor.

Dated: October 1, 1999.

Bryant L. VanBrakle,

Secretary.

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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.

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 November 1, 1999.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (Cynthia Goodwin, Vice President) 104 Marietta Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-2713:

1. *Compass Bancshares, Inc.*, Birmingham, Alabama; to merge with Western Bancshares of Albuquerque, Inc., Albuquerque, New Mexico, and thereby indirectly acquire Western Bank, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis (JoAnne F. Lewellen, Assistant Vice President) 90 Hennepin Avenue, P.O. Box 291, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55480-0291:

1. *Northern Plains Investment, Inc.*, Jamestown, North Dakota; to acquire an additional 1.39 percent, for a total of 43.33 percent of the voting shares of North Star Holding Company, Inc., Jamestown, North Dakota, and thereby indirectly acquire Stutsman County State Bank, Jamestown, North Dakota.

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

1. *First Minden Bancshares, Inc.*, Minden, Nebraska; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of First National Bank & Trust, Minden, Nebraska.

D. Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco (Maria Villanueva, Manager of Analytical Support, Consumer Regulation Group) 101 Market Street, San Francisco, California 94105-1579:

1. *VIB Corp*, El Centro, California; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Kings River Bancorp, Reedley, California, and thereby indirectly acquire Kings River State Bank, Reedley, California.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, October 1, 1999.

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.

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 October 21, 1999.

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

1. *Regal Bancorp, Inc.*, Owings Mills, Maryland; to acquire Mobile Check Cash, Inc., Stratford, New Jersey, and thereby engage in money transmission services and other related activities; See *Popular, Inc.*, 84 Fed Res Bull. 48 (1998), and in the issuance and sale at retail of money orders, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(13) of Regulation Y.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, October 1, 1999.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Associate Secretary of the Board.

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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 announces the following advisory committee meeting.

Name: National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics (NCVHS), Subcommittee on Standards and Security, Workgroup on Computer-based Patient Records.

Time and Date: 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., October 14, 1999; 8:45 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., October 15, 1999.

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

Status: Open.