

Houston Authority ("Petitioner"). Petitioner requests the Federal Maritime Commission to institute a rulemaking proceeding for the purpose of promulgating a rule addressing the lawfulness of unilateral provisions which provide for the collection of attorney's fees in contracts or tariffs of marine terminal operators under the provisions of the Shipping Act of 1984 as amended. Specifically, Petitioner seeks a rule which confirms that it is not illegal under the Shipping Act for marine terminal operators to contract with their customers, by tariff or otherwise, to permit the collection of attorneys fees and litigation cost in the event the marine terminal operator is required to sue in court to collect fees for services that have been rendered. Petitioner has proposed a provision that it submits should be made the subject of a Commission rulemaking proceeding.

Interested persons are requested to reply to the petition no later than February 7, 2000. Replies shall be directed to the Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, DC 20573-0001, shall consist of an original and 15 copies, and shall be served on counsel for petitioner, Amy Loeserman Klein, Esq., 7301 Burdette Court, Bethesda, Maryland 20817. In addition to the official paper filing, a party may also provide the Commission with a copy of its filing by diskette or by e-mail at Secretary@fmc.gov.

Copies of the petition are available for examination at the Office of the Secretary of the Commission, 800 N. Capitol Street, NW, Room 1046, Washington, DC.

Bryant L. VanBrakle,
Secretary.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Change in Bank Control Notices; Acquisitions of Shares of Banks 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 offices 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 January 27, 2000.

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

1. Charles C. Burgess and C. Jane Burgess, Amarillo, Texas; to acquire voting shares of Herring Bancorp, Inc., Vernon, Texas, and thereby indirectly acquire The Herring National Bank, Vernon, Texas.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, January 7, 2000.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Associate Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

[Program Announcement 00023]

Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Prevention Projects for Community-Based Organizations; Notice of Availability of Funds for Fiscal Year 2000

A. Purpose

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the availability of fiscal year (FY) 2000 funds to support community-based organizations (CBOs) to develop, implement, and evaluate state-of-the-art, model community-based HIV prevention programs for populations at risk for HIV infection, especially racial/ethnic minority populations at risk. This program addresses the "DRAFT Healthy People 2010" priority areas of Educational and Community-Based Programs, HIV Infection, and Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STDs).

The goals of this program are to:

1. Reduce the disproportionate impact of the HIV epidemic on racial/ethnic minority populations and other at-risk populations.

2. Improve and expand community-based HIV prevention services by supporting community-based HIV prevention programs that address priorities described in applicable State and local comprehensive HIV prevention plans (that is, the plans developed by the official HIV prevention community planning groups for the jurisdiction in which the CBO is

located) or that adequately justify addressing other priorities.

3. Enhance CBOs' incorporation of scientific theory and data, and validated program experience into the design, implementation, and evaluation of HIV prevention services.

4. Support collaboration and coordination of HIV prevention efforts among CBOs, community planning groups, other local organizations, local and State health departments, and managed care organizations serving populations at risk for HIV infection.

B. Eligible Applicants

Eligible applicants are CBOs that meet the following criteria (also see Proof of Eligibility, section E.8.d):

1. CBOs may apply as either (1) Minority CBOs intending to serve predominantly racial/ethnic minority populations at high risk for HIV infection, or (2) other CBOs serving high-risk populations without regard to their racial/ethnic identity. A CBO may submit an application in only one of these categories.

2. The applicant organization must meet the following criteria:

a. Have current, valid tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3), as evidenced by an Internal Revenue Service (IRS) determination letter.

b. Must be located in the community and have an established record of at least two years of service to the proposed target population.

3. To apply as a minority CBO, the applicant organization must also meet the following criteria:

a. Have more than 50 percent of positions on the executive board or governing body filled by persons of the racial/ethnic minority group(s) to be served.

b. Have more than 50 percent of key management, supervisory, and administrative positions (e.g., executive director, program director, fiscal director) and more than 50 percent of key service provision positions (e.g., outreach worker, prevention case manager, counselor, group facilitator) filled by persons of the racial/ethnic population(s) to be served.

4. In either category, a CBO may apply as a lead organization within a coalition (For this announcement, the term coalition means a group of organizations in which each member organization is responsible for specific, defined, integral activities within the proposed program, and all member organizations share responsibility for the overall planning, implementation, and evaluation of the program.); that is, a collaborative contractual partnership. The lead organization must meet the