

*Abstract:* The Customer Satisfaction Survey of *Federal Reserve Bulletin* Subscribers (FR 1371) will solicit comments on the content and usefulness of the Federal Reserve's monthly Bulletin from a sample of subscribers. The staff is focusing on the Bulletin because the Board devotes substantial resources to this publication and will use the information from this survey to determine whether the Board should continue to publish the Bulletin in its current form. The Customer Satisfaction Survey of Publication Subscribers (FR 1372) will solicit comments on the quality of the customer service provided by the Board's Publications Services Department. The information will be used to assess whether the needs of the Board's subscribers are being met in a courteous and expeditious manner and whether changes should be made to the ordering and payment policies and processes in order to increase efficiency and customer satisfaction.

#### Discontinuation of the Following Report

1. *Report title:* Report of Medium Term Note Issuance.

*Agency form number:* FR 2600.

*OMB control number:* 7100-0245.

*Effective Date:* Friday, March 31, 2000.

*Frequency:* Monthly, quarterly, or semi-annually.

*Reporters:* U.S. firms filing SEC shelf registration statements for medium term notes.

*Annual reporting hours:* 94 burden hours.

*Estimated average hours per response:* 0.083 hours.

*Number of respondents:* 424. Small businesses are affected.

*General description of report:* This information collection is voluntary (15 U.S.C. §§ 225a and 353 et seq). Respondent data are not regarded as confidential.

*Abstract:* The FR 2600 collects information on the monthly volume of medium-term notes issued by corporations.

*Current Actions:* The Federal Reserve will discontinue the FR 2600. The report has become unnecessary because data are now obtained from the Depository Trust Corporation, a national clearing house that collects data on medium-term notes issued in the course of its business of clearing and settling securities and acting as trustee for holders of securities.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, March 20, 2000.

**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 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. Additional information on all bank holding companies may be obtained from the National Information Center website at [www.ffiec.gov/nic/](http://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 April 17, 2000.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (Lois Berthaume, Vice President) 104 Marietta Street, NW., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-2713:

1. *United Community Banks, Inc.*, Blairsville, Georgia; to merge with North Point Bancshares, Inc., Dawsonville, Georgia, and thereby indirectly acquire Dawson County Bank, Dawsonville, Georgia.

2. *United Community Banks, Inc.*, Blairsville, Georgia; to merge with Independent Bancshares, Inc., Powder Springs, Georgia, and thereby indirectly

acquire Independent Bank & Trust Company, Powder Springs, Georgia.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, March 20, 2000.

**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. Additional information on all bank holding companies may be obtained from the National Information Center website at [www.ffiec.gov/nic/](http://www.ffiec.gov/nic/).

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 April 7, 2000.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis (Randall C. Sumner, Vice President) 411 Locust Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63166-2034:

1. *First Banks, Inc.*, Creve Coeur, Missouri; to acquire certain assets and assume certain liabilities of First Capital Group, Inc., Albuquerque, New Mexico, and thereby engage in leasing personal and real property activities, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(3) of Regulation Y. The leasing activities will be conducted in a newly formed direct wholly owned subsidiary of Notificant, which will assume the selling institution's name of First Capital Group, Inc. and retain its