

address given above; telephone (206) 553-1890.

Authority: Section 1420 of the Safe Drinking Water Act, as amended (1996), and 40 CFR Part 142 of the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations.

Dated: December 12, 2000.

Ronald A. Kreizenbeck,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region 10.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Notice of Public Information Collection(s) Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission for Extension Under Delegated Authority, Comments Requested

December 15, 2000.

SUMMARY: The Federal Communications Commission, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burden invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection(s), as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) that does not display a valid control number. Comments are requested concerning (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Persons wishing to comment on this information collection should submit comments February 20, 2001. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contact listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Direct all comments to Judy Boley, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW, Room

1-C804, Washington, DC 20554 or via internet to jboley@fcc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information or copies of the information collections contact Judy Boley at 202-418-0214 or via internet at jboley@fcc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control No: 3060-0959.

Title: Compatibility Between Cable Systems and Consumer Electronics Equipment.

Form No.: N/A.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions.

Number of Respondents: 104.

Estimated Time Per Response: 14-80 hours.

Frequency of Response: Third party disclosure requirement, on occasion and semi-annual reporting requirements.

Cost to Respondent: N/A.

Total Annual Burden: 1,720 hours.

Needs and Uses: The Commission imposes labeling requirements on digital television (DTV) receivers and other consumer electronics receiving devices. The requirements are designed to ensure that consumers understand the capability of digital television equipment to operate with cable television systems. The Commission also requires the cable and consumer electronics industries to report at intervals on progress in implementing earlier agreements on technical standards for direct connection of digital television receivers to digital cable systems and on providing tuning and program scheduling information to support the navigation function of DTV receivers.

Federal Communications Commission.

Magalie Roman Salas,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE BOARD

[No. 2000-N-8]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Housing Finance Board.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Federal Housing Finance Board (Finance Board) hereby gives notice that it is seeking public comments concerning a three-

year extension by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) of the information collection entitled "Members of the Banks."

DATES: Interested persons may submit comments on or before February 20, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Address comments and requests for copies of the information collection to Elaine L. Baker, Secretary to the Board, by telephone at 202/408-2837, by electronic mail at bakere@fhfb.gov, or by regular mail at the Federal Housing Finance Board, 1777 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jonathan F. Curtis, Senior Financial Analyst, Market Research and System Analysis Division, Office of Policy, Research and Analysis, by telephone at 202/408-2866, by electronic mail at curtisj@fhfb.gov, or by regular mail at the Federal Housing Finance Board, 1777 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20006. A telecommunications device for deaf persons (TDD) is available at 202/408-2579.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Need For and Use of the Information Collection

Section 4 of the Federal Home Loan Bank Act (Bank Act), 12 U.S.C. 1424, establishes the eligibility requirements an institution must meet in order to become a member of a Federal Home Loan Bank (Bank). Part 925 of the Finance Board's regulations implements section 4 of the Bank Act. See 12 CFR part 925. The membership rule provides uniform requirements an applicant for Bank membership must meet and review criteria a Bank must apply to determine whether the applicant satisfies the statutory and regulatory membership eligibility requirements.

More specifically, the membership rule implements the statutory eligibility requirements and provides guidance to an applicant on how it may satisfy such requirements. The rule authorizes a Bank to approve or deny each membership application subject to the statutory and regulatory requirements and permits an applicant to appeal to the Finance Board a Bank's decision to deny certification as a Bank member. The rule also imposes a continuing obligation on a current Bank member to provide information necessary to determine if it remains in compliance with applicable statutory and regulatory eligibility requirements.

The information collection, which is contained in § 925.2 through § 925.31 of the membership rule, 12 CFR 925.2-925.31, is necessary to enable a Bank to

determine whether a respondent satisfies the statutory and regulatory requirements to be certified initially and maintain its status as a member eligible to obtain Bank advances. The Finance Board requires and uses the information collection to determine whether to uphold or overrule a Bank's decision to deny member certification to an applicant.

The OMB number for the information collection is 3069-004. The OMB clearance for the information collection expires on April 30, 2001.

The likely respondents are institutions that want to be certified as or are members of a Bank.

B. Burden Estimate

The Finance Board estimates the total annual average number of applicants at 800, with one response per applicant. The estimate for the average hours per application is 21.5 hours. The Finance Board estimates the total annual average number of maintenance respondents, *i.e.*, current Bank members, at 7,800, with one response per member. The estimate for the average hours per maintenance response is 0.6 hours. The estimate for the total annual hour burden is 21,880 hours (7,800 members x 1 response per member x approximately 0.6 hours plus 800 applicants x 1 response per applicant x approximately 21.5 hours).

C. Comment Request

The Finance Board requests written comments on the following: (1) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of Finance Board functions, including whether the information has practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the Finance Board's estimates of the burdens of the collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

By the Federal Housing Finance Board.

Dated: December 15, 2000.

James L. Bothwell,

Managing Director.

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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/.

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 January 16, 2001.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas (Genie D. Short, Vice President) 2200 North Pearl Street, Dallas, Texas 75201-2272:

1. *Sterling Bancshares, Inc.*, Houston, Texas; and *Sterling Bancorporation, Inc., Inc.*, Wilmington, Delaware, to merge with *CaminoReal Bancshares, Inc.*, San Antonio, Texas; and thereby indirectly acquire *CaminoReal Delaware, Inc.*, Wilmington, Delaware; and *CaminoReal Bank National Association*, San Antonio, Texas.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, December 18, 2000.

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.

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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 January 19, 2001.

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

1. *Chinatrust Commercial Bank, Ltd.*, Taipei, Republic of China; to become a bank holding company by merging with *China Trust Holdings N.V.*, Curacao, Netherlands Antilles, and thereby indirectly acquire *Chinatrust Bank (U.S.A.)*, Torrance, California.

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

1. *Wachovia Corporation*, Winston-Salem, North Carolina; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of *Republic Security Financial Corporation*, West Palm Beach, Florida, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of *Republic Security Bank*, West Palm Beach, Florida.

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

1. *Lea M. McMullan Trust*, Shelbyville, Kentucky, and its subsidiary, *Citizens Union Bancorp of*