

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, May 15, 2001.

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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. 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 the applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than June 4, 2001.

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

1. *Hancock Holding Company*, Gulfport, Mississippi; to acquire Lamar Data Solutions, Inc., Purvis, Mississippi, and thereby to engage *de novo* in data processing and data transmission services for financial institutions, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(14)(i) of Regulation Y.

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FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

Granting of Request for Early Termination of the Waiting Period Under the Premerger Notification Rules

Section 7A of the Clayton Act, 15 U.S.C. 18a, as added by Title II of the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, requires persons contemplating certain mergers or acquisitions to give the Federal Trade Commission and the Assistant Attorney General advance notice and to wait designated periods before consummation of such plans. Section 7A(b)(2) of the Act permits the agencies, in individual cases, to terminate this waiting period prior to its expiration and requires that notice of this action be published in the **Federal Register**.

The following transactions were granted early termination of the waiting period provided by law and the premerger notification rules. The grants were made by the Federal Trade Commission and the Assistant Attorney General for the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice. Neither agency intends to take any action with respect to these proposed acquisitions during the applicable waiting period.

Trans #	Acquiring	Acquired	Entities
Transactions Granted Early Termination—04/17/2001			
20011672	The Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine, Health System, Inc.	HCA-The Healthcare Company	Columbia/HCA Healthcare Corporation of South Carolina.
20011700	The Sage Group plc	Interact Commerce Corporation	Interact Commerce Corporation.
20011708	Ford Motor Company	Seth M. Siegel	The Beanstalk Group (Europe). The Beanstalk Group Inc. (DE). The Beanstalk Group Inc. (NY).
20011709	Ford Motor Company	Michael S. Stone	The Beanstalk Group, Inc.
Transactions Granted Early Termination—04/18/2001			
20011711	MedAssets.com, Inc	Earl H. Norman	Health Services Corporation of America.
20011718	Church & Dwight Co., Inc	USA Detergents, Inc	USA Detergents, Inc.
Transactions Granted Early Termination—04/20/2001			
20011662	Smiths Group plc	Barringer Technologies Inc	Barringer Technologies Inc.
20011696	Littlejohn Fund II, L.P	Magne Tek Inc	Magne Tek Asia Ltd., Magne Tek. Electronics China Co. Ltd. Magne Tek Componentes Electricos, S.A. de C.V. Magne Tek Matamoros, S.A. de C.V.
20011715	Microsoft Corporation	Ensemble Studios Corporation	Ensemble Studios Corporation.
20011739	Nautica Enterprises, Inc	Benjamin Freiwald	Earl Jean, Inc.