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**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**

[Report No. AUC-01-41-B (Auction No. 41)]

**Narrowband PCS Spectrum Auction Scheduled for October 3, 2001; Revised Upfront Payments, Bidding Unit Amounts, and Minimum Opening Bids for Nationwide Licenses and Licenses in MTA 017**

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This document advises the public of a revision to information that was included in an attachment to the *Auction No. 41 Comment Public Notice*, which was released June 12, 2001. Specifically, the population figures and proposed bidding units, upfront payments, and minimum opening bids

were incorrect for the eight (8) nationwide licenses and seven (7) licenses available in one Major Trading Areas (MTA), MTA 017.

**DATES:** Comments on these revised upfront payments, bidding units and minimum opening bids are due July 2, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** An original and four copies of all pleadings must be filed with the Commission’s Secretary, Magalie Roman Salas, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, Room TW-A325, 445 Twelfth Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20554.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Howard Davenport, Auctions Attorney, or Lyle Ishida, Auctions Analyst, at (202) 418-0660; or Lisa Stover, Project Manager, at (717) 338-2888.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is a summary of a Public Notice released June 21, 2001. The complete text of this Public Notice is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Center

(Room CY-A257) 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC. It may also be purchased from the Commission’s copy contractor, International Transcription Services, Inc. (ITS, Inc.) 1231 20th Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20036, (202) 857-3800. It is also available on the Commission’s web site at <http://www.fcc.gov>.

The following table corrects population figures for the nationwide license area and MTA017, New Orleans-Baton Rouge.

The Bureau has proposed to calculate upfront payments, bidding unit amounts, and minimum opening bids using formulas that include license area population as one element of the formula. Accordingly, the new population figures result in revised upfront payments, bidding unit amounts, and minimum opening bids for the 8 nationwide licenses and 7 licenses in MTA017 available in Auction No. 41. The following table includes the revised amounts:

| Market No. | Market Name             | License No. | Channel No. | Population  | Bidding Units | Upfront Payment | Minimum Opening Bid |
|------------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| NWA255     | Nationwide              | CNNWA25518  | 18          | 252,556,989 | 505,000       | \$505,000       | \$1,010,000         |
| NWA255     | Nationwide              | CNNWA25519  | 19          | 252,556,989 | 505,000       | \$505,000       | \$1,010,000         |
| NWA255     | Nationwide              | CNNWA25520  | 20          | 252,556,989 | 505,000       | \$505,000       | \$1,010,000         |
| NWA255     | Nationwide              | CNNWA25521  | 21          | 252,556,989 | 1,010,000     | \$1,010,000     | \$2,020,000         |
| NWA255     | Nationwide              | CNNWA25522  | 22          | 252,556,989 | 1,010,000     | \$1,010,000     | \$2,020,000         |
| NWA255     | Nationwide              | CNNWA25523  | 23          | 252,556,989 | 758,000       | \$758,000       | \$1,515,000         |
| NWA255     | Nationwide              | CNNWA25524  | 24          | 252,556,989 | 758,000       | \$758,000       | \$1,515,000         |
| NWA255     | Nationwide              | CNNWA25525  | 25          | 252,556,989 | 758,000       | \$758,000       | \$1,515,000         |
| MTA017     | New Orleans-Baton Rouge | CNMTA01726  | 26          | 4,925,269   | 4,900         | \$4,900         | \$9,900             |
| MTA017     | New Orleans-Baton Rouge | CNMTA01727  | 27          | 4,925,269   | 4,900         | \$4,900         | \$9,900             |
| MTA017     | New Orleans-Baton Rouge | CNMTA01728  | 28          | 4,925,269   | 4,900         | \$4,900         | \$9,900             |
| MTA017     | New Orleans-Baton Rouge | CNMTA01729  | 29          | 4,925,269   | 9,900         | \$9,900         | \$20,000            |
| MTA017     | New Orleans-Baton Rouge | CNMTA01730  | 30          | 4,925,269   | 15,000        | \$15,000        | \$30,000            |
| MTA017     | New Orleans-Baton Rouge | CNMTA01731  | 31          | 4,925,269   | 20,000        | \$20,000        | \$39,000            |
| MTA017     | New Orleans-Baton Rouge | CNMTA01732  | 32          | 4,925,269   | 11,000        | \$11,000        | \$22,000            |

Comments on the revised upfront payments, bidding unit amounts, and minimum opening bids may be filed on or before July 2, 2001, the deadline for filing reply comments in response to the *Auction No. 41 Comment Public Notice*, 66 FR 32810 (June 18, 2001). An original and four copies of all pleadings must be filed with the Commission’s Secretary, Magalie Roman Salas, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, Room TW-A325, 445 Twelfth Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554, in accordance with § 1.51(c) of the Commission’s rules. In addition, one copy of each pleading must be delivered to each of the following locations: (i)

The Commission’s duplicating contractor, International Transcription Service, Inc. (ITS), 1231 20th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20036; (ii) Office of Media Relations, Public Reference Center, Room CY-A257, 445 Twelfth Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554; (iii) Rana Shuler, Auctions and Industry Analysis Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Room 4-A628, 445 Twelfth Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554. Comments will be available for public inspection during regular business hours in the FCC Public Reference Room, Room CY-A257, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Margaret Wiener,**  
*Chief, Auctions and Industry Analysis Division, WTB.*

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**FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM**

**Agency Information Collection Activities: Announcement of Board Approval Under Delegated Authority and Submission to OMB**

**AGENCY:** Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

**SUMMARY:****Background**

On June 15, 1984, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) delegated to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Board) its approval authority under the Paperwork Reduction Act, as per 5 CFR 1320.16, to approve of and assign OMB control numbers to collection of information requests and requirements conducted or sponsored by the Board under conditions set forth in 5 CFR 1320 Appendix A.1. Board-approved collections of information are incorporated into the official OMB inventory of currently approved collections of information. Copies of the OMB 83-Is and supporting statements and approved collection of information instruments are placed into OMB's public docket files. The Federal Reserve may not conduct or sponsor, and the respondent is not required to respond to, an information collection that has been extended, revised, or implemented on or after October 1, 1995, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

*Federal Reserve Board Clearance Officer*—Mary M. West—Division of Research and Statistics, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington, DC 20551 (202-452-3829); *OMB Desk Officer*—Alexander T. Hunt—Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 3208, Washington, DC 20503 (202-395-7860).

**Final Approval Under OMB Delegated Authority the Extension for Three Years, With Revision, of the Following Reports**

1. *Report title:* Reports of Condition for Foreign Subsidiaries of U.S. Banking Organizations.

*Agency form number:* FR 2314 a, b, and c.

*OMB control number:* 7100-0073.

*Frequency:* Quarterly and annually.

*Reporters:* Foreign subsidiaries of U.S. state member banks, bank holding companies, and Edge or agreement corporations.

*Annual reporting hours:* 8,222 hours.

*Estimated average hours per response:* 1.5 to 10.5 hours.

*Number of respondents:* 1,665.

Small businesses are not affected.

*General description of report:* This information collection is mandatory (12 U.S.C. 324, 602, 625, and 1844(c)) and the data are exempt from disclosure pursuant to sections (b)(4) and (b)(8) of

the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4) and (8)).

*Abstract:* The FR 2314 reports are mandatory and most are collected annually as of December 31 from foreign subsidiaries of U.S. state member banks, bank holding companies, and Edge or agreement corporations. For subsidiaries with significant asset size or volume of off-balance-sheet activity the FR 2314a is collected quarterly instead of annually. The information collected in these reports is essentially the equivalent to the information reported on the Consolidated Reports of Condition and Income that commercial banks file. The FR 2314 is a set of three graduated reports. The FR 2314a collects balance sheet information with accompanying memorandum items and twelve supporting schedules. The FR 2314b collects balance sheet information and only two supporting schedules. The FR 2314c is a one-page report that collects information on total assets, equity capital, net income, and off-balance-sheet items.

*Current Actions:* The Federal Reserve has approved the proposed changes to the FR 2314 as of June 30, 2001, consistent with the changes, eliminations, and reductions in detail to the Consolidated Reports of Condition and Income (Call Report) (FFIEC 031; OMB No. 7100-0036) effective March 31, 2001, and June 30, 2001.

2. *Report title:* The Consolidated Report of Condition and Income for Edge and Agreement Corporations.

*Agency form number:* FR 2886b.

*OMB control number:* 7100-0086.

*Frequency:* Quarterly.

*Reporters:* Banking Edge corporations and investment (nonbanking) Edge and agreement corporations.

*Annual reporting hours:* 3,566 hours.

*Estimated average hours per response:* 14.7 hours, banking corporations, 8.5 hours, investment corporations.

*Number of respondents:* 30 banking corporations; 53 investment corporations.

Small businesses are not affected.

*General description of report:* This information collection is mandatory (12 U.S.C. 602 and 625) and is given confidential treatment (5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4)).

*Abstract:* This report is filed quarterly by banking Edge corporations and investment (nonbanking) Edge corporations. This report comprises a balance sheet, income statement, and ten supporting schedules, and it parallels the Consolidated Reports of Condition and Income that commercial banks file. Except for examination reports, it provides the only financial data available for these corporations.

The Federal Reserve uses the data collected on the FR 2886b to supervise Edge corporations, identify present and potential problems, and monitor and develop a better understanding of activities within the industry. Most Edge corporations are wholly owned by U.S. banks and are consolidated into the financial statements of their parent organizations.

*Current Actions:* The Federal Reserve has approved the proposed changes to the FR 2886b as of June 30, 2001, consistent with the changes, eliminations, and reductions in detail to the Consolidated Reports of Condition and Income (Call Report) (FFIEC 031; OMB No. 7100-0036) effective March 31, 2001, and June 30, 2001.

**Discontinuation of the Following Report**

*Report title:* Annual Survey of Eligible Bankers Acceptances.

*Agency form number:* FR 2006.

*OMB control number:* 7100-0055.

*Frequency:* Annual.

*Reporters:* U.S. commercial banks, U.S. branches and agencies of foreign banks, and Edge and agreement corporations with significant issuance of U.S. dollar-denominated acceptances.

*Annual reporting hours:* 27 hours.

*Estimated average hours per response:* 0.65 hours.

*Number of respondents:* 41.

Small businesses are not affected.

*General description of report:* The Board's Legal Division has previously determined that the FR 2006 is authorized by law (12 U.S.C. 248(a), 625, and 3105(b)) and is voluntary. Individual respondent data are regarded as confidential under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 522(b)(4)).

*Abstract:* This voluntary survey provides detailed information on eligible U.S. dollar acceptances that are payable in the United States. The data have been used at the Board in constructing the monetary and credit aggregates, in constructing the domestic nonfinancial debt aggregate monitored by the Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC), and in calculating short- and intermediate-term business credit.

*Current actions:* The Federal Reserve is discontinuing the FR 2006 report. The usefulness of the report has declined in recent years due to three factors: (1) In December 1998 the Board stopped calculating L, the monetary aggregate that contained bankers acceptances (BAs); (2) Board staff has replaced the FR 2006 with the Consolidated Reports of Condition and Income as the source of BAs for calculating the debt aggregate; and (3) the relatively small size of the BA market at present has

called into question the need for this survey. As a result, Board staff feels that estimates of BAs derived from the Call Report can be used in calculating short- and intermediate-term business credit.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, June 25, 2001.

**Jennifer J. Johnson,**

*Secretary of the Board.*

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## FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

[File No. 001 0112]

### LaFarge S.A., et al.; Analysis To Aid Public Comment

**AGENCY:** Federal Trade Commission.

**ACTION:** Proposed consent agreement.

**SUMMARY:** The consent agreement in this matter settles alleged violations of federal law prohibiting unfair or deceptive acts or practices or unfair methods of competition. The attached Analysis to Aid Public Comment describes both the allegations in the complaint that accompanies the consent agreement and the terms of the consent order—embodies in the consent agreement—that would settle these allegations.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before July 18, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be directed to: FTC/Office of the Secretary, Room 159, 600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20580.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Richard Liebeskind, FTC/S-3105, 600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20580. (202) 326-2441.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to section 6(f) of the Federal Trade Commission Act, 38 Stat. 721, 15 U.S.C. 46 and section 2.34 of the Commission's Rules of Practice (16 CFR 2.34), notice is hereby given that the above-captioned consent agreement containing a consent order to cease and desist, having been filed with and accepted by the Commission, has been placed on the public record for a period of thirty (30) days. The following Analysis to Aid Public Comment describes the terms of the consent agreement, and the allegations in the complaint. An electronic copy of the full text of the consent agreement package can be obtained from the FTC Home Page (for June 18, 2001), on the World Wide Web, at <http://www.ftc.gov/os/2001/06/index.htm>. A paper copy can be obtained from the FTC Public Reference Room, Room H-130, 600 Pennsylvania

Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20580, either in person or by calling (202) 326-3627.

Public comment is invited. Comments should be directed to: FTC/Office of the Secretary, Room 159, 600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20580. Two paper copies of each comment should be filed, and should be accompanied, if possible, by a 3½ inch diskette containing an electronic copy of the comment. Such comments or views will be considered by the Commission and will be available for inspection and copying at its principal office in accordance with Section 4.9(b)(6)(ii) of the Commission's Rules of Practice (16 CFR 4.9(b)(6)(ii)).

### Analysis of the Complaint and Proposed Consent Order To Aid Public Comment

#### I. Introduction

The Federal Trade Commission has accepted for public comment a Decision and Order ("Proposed Order"), pursuant to an Agreement Containing Consent Orders ("Consent Agreement"), against Lafarge S.A. and Blue Circle Industries PLC (collectively "Respondents"). The Proposed Order is intended to resolve anticompetitive effects in the cement and lime markets stemming from the proposed acquisition by Lafarge of Blue Circle (the "Acquisition"). As described below, the Proposed Order seeks to remedy anticompetitive effects of the Acquisition in cement and lime by requiring Respondents to divest certain assets relating to cement to Glens Falls Lehigh Cement Company; to divest certain other assets relating to cement to an acquirer approved by the Commission; and to divest certain assets relating to an acquirer approved by the Commission. The Commission has also issued an order to Hold Separate and Maintain Assets ("Hold Separate Order") that, except with respect to the assets to be divested to Glens Falls, requires Respondents to preserve the businesses they are required to divest as viable, competitive, and ongoing operations until the divestitures are achieved.

The Proposed Order, if finally issued by the Commission, would settle charges that the Acquisition may have substantially lessened competition in the markets for cement and lime. The Commission has reason to believe that the Acquisition would violate Section 7 of the Clayton Act and Section 5 of the Federal Trade Commission Act. The proposed complaint ("Complaint"), described below, relates to the basis for this belief.

#### II. The Merging Parties and the Acquisition

Lafarge is a French corporation with global operations in the manufacture and sale of cement and other building materials. Based on 2000 production capacity, Lafarge is one of the top three cement manufacturers in North America. Lafarge also has an ownership interest in a joint venture with Carmeuse North America Group B.V. that manufactures and sells lime.

Blue Circle is an English corporation with global operations in the manufacture and sale of cement and other building materials. Based on 2000 production capacity, Blue Circle is one of the top five cement manufacturers in North America. Blue Circle also participates in a joint venture with Chemical Lime Company that manufactures and sells lime (the "Lime JV").

On January 8, 2001, Lafarge and Blue Circle entered into an agreement in which Lafarge will pay Blue Circle shareholders approximately \$3.8 billion in cash for the approximately 75% of Blue Circle's outstanding voting stock that Lafarge does not already own.

#### III. The Proposed Complaint

According to the Complaint, the Acquisition will have anticompetitive effects in two relevant product markets: cement and lime. Cement is a construction raw material that users mix with water and aggregates to form concrete. Cement is made by combining calcium (normally from limestone), silicon, aluminum, iron and other raw materials. Cement manufacturers quarry, crush and grind these raw materials, burn them in kilns at high temperatures and then grind the resulting pellets with gypsum into a fine powder. Lime is used in a variety of applications including, in the steel industry, as a flux to remove impurities. Lime is made by quarrying, crushing, and grinding limestone and then burning it in kilns at high temperatures.

The Complaint also alleges three relevant geographic markets in which to analyze the effects of the Acquisition: (1) The market for cement in the region consisting of the province of Ontario, Canada, all of Michigan and the coastal markets around Lake Superior, Lake Michigan, Lake Huron, Lake Erie and Lake Ontario, including Green Bay and Milwaukee, WI, Chicago, IL, Cleveland, OH and Buffalo, NY (the "Great Lakes Region"); (2) the market for cement in the region within an approximately 70-mile radius of Syracuse, NY, including the metropolitan areas of Syracuse, Utica, Rome, Elmira and Binghamton,