

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 Web site 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 October 30, 2002.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (Sue Costello, Vice President) 1000 Peachtree Street, NE., Atlanta, Georgia 30309-4470:

1. *Hazlehurst Investors, Inc.*, Hazlehurst, Georgia; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Bank of Hazlehurst, Hazlehurst, Georgia.

2. *Synovus Financial Corp.*, Columbus, Georgia; to merge with United Financial Holdings, Inc., and thereby indirectly acquire United Bank and Trust Company, both of St. Petersburg, Florida, and United Bank of the Gulf Coast, Sarasota, Florida.

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

1. *Mercantile Bancorp, Inc.*, Quincy, Illinois; to acquire up to an additional 9.14 percent, for a total of 29 percent of New Frontier Bancshares, Inc., Saint Charles, Missouri, and thereby indirectly acquire New Frontier Bank, Saint Charles Missouri.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, September 30, 2002.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

Governmentwide Per Diem Advisory Board

AGENCY: Office of Governmentwide Policy, GSA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Governmentwide Per Diem Advisory Board will hold an open meeting from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Thursday, October 17, 2002. The meeting will be held at The Crystal City Marriott, 1999 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA

22202. This meeting is open to the public. Members of the public who wish to file a written statement with the Board may also be permitted 5 minutes for summary oral presentations at this meeting, assuming GSA receives a written copy c/o Rob Miller, Designated Federal Officer (MTT), General Services Administration, 1800 F St., NW Room 1221B, Washington, DC 20405, or via email at robl.miller@gsa.gov of any such oral presentation not later than 5 p.m. (ET) October 11, 2002.

Purpose: To review the current process and methodology that is used by GSA's Office of Governmentwide Policy to determine the per diem rates for destinations within the continental United States (CONUS), and to provide advice on best practices for a Federal lodging program. The Board will receive preliminary recommendations for improving the per diem process, and identifying best practices for a Governmentwide lodging program.

For security and building access: (1) ADA accessible facility; (2) public seating may be limited.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rob Miller (202) 501-4621, Designated Federal Officer, or Joddy Garner (202) 501-4857, Per Diem Program Manager, General Services Administration. Also, inquiries may be sent to robl.miller@gsa.gov.

Dated: September 27, 2002.

Becky Rhodes,

Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Transportation and Personal Property.

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

President's Homeland Security Advisory Council

AGENCY: Office of Governmentwide Policy, General Services Administration.

ACTION: Notice of Federal Advisory Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The President's Homeland Security Advisory Council (PHSAC or Council) will meet in closed session on Monday, October 21, 2002, in Washington, DC. The PHSAC will meet to receive briefings on sensitive homeland security matters and to review and discuss the draft National Strategy for the Physical Protection of Critical Infrastructures and Key Assets.

Objectives: The President's Homeland Security Advisory Council was established by Executive Order 13260 (67 FR 13241, March 21, 2002). The

objectives of the PHSAC are to provide advice and recommendations to the President of the United States through the Assistant to the President for Homeland Security on matters relating to homeland security.

Basis for Closed Meeting: In accordance with section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), it has been determined that this PHSAC meeting concerns matters sensitive to homeland security within the meaning of 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(7) and (9)(B) and that, accordingly, the meeting will be closed to the public.

Public Comments: Members of the public who wish to file a written statement with the PHSAC may do so by mail to Mr. Charles Howton at the following address: President's Homeland Security Advisory Council, U.S. General Services Administration (GSA/MC, Room G-230), 1800 F St., NW., Washington, DC 20405. Comments also may be sent to Charles Howton by e-mail at charles.howton@gsa.gov, or by facsimile (FAX) to (202) 273-3559.

Dated: October 1, 2002.

James L. Dean,

Director, Committee Management Secretariat, Office of Governmentwide Policy, General Services Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Notice of Award of Non-Competitive Grant

AGENCY: Administration for Native Americans, ACF, DHHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that ACF is considering awarding FY 2002 ANA grant funds without competition to the Chickasaw Nation for a 12 month project in the amount of \$150,000. The project period would begin September 30, 2002 and end September 29, 2003. This award will be made to the Chickasaw Nation to provide Federal support for the integration of Tribal, State and regional resources to offer services that will provide the skills and knowledge needed to sustain healthy families and marriages.

The Chickasaw Nation's Strong Family Project is designed to eliminate the fragmentation of services and integrate community services that