

President and Community Affairs Officer) 90 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55480-0291:

1. *Philip R. Forstrom*, Clara City, Minnesota, *Perry D. Forstrom*, Spicer, Minnesota, and *John T. Forstrom*, Independence, Minnesota; as a group acting in concert, to acquire control of First State Agency of Lake Lillian, Inc., Lake Lillian, Minnesota, and thereby indirectly acquire control of First State Bank, Lake Lillian, Minnesota.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, February 7, 2003.

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/.

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 March 7, 2003.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (Sue Costello, Vice President) 1000

Peachtree Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30303:

1. *United Community Banks, Inc.*, Blairsville, Georgia; to merge with First Georgia Holding, Inc., Brunswick, Georgia, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of First Georgia Bank, Brunswick, Georgia.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, February 6, 2003.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Proposed Projects:

Title: DHHS/ACF/ASPE Enhanced Services for the Hard-to-Employ
OMB No.: New Collection

Description: The Enhanced Services for the Hard-to-Employ Demonstration and Evaluation Project (HtE) is the most ambitious, comprehensive effort to learn what works in this area to date and is explicitly designed to build on previous and ongoing research by rigorously testing a wide variety of approaches to promote employment and improve family functioning and child well-being. The HtE project will "conduct a multi-site evaluation that studies the implementation issues, program design, net impact and benefit-costs of selected programs"¹ designed to help Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) recipients, former TANF recipients, or low income parents who are hard-to-employ. The project is sponsored by the Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation (OPRE) of the Administration for Children and Families (ACF), the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation (ASPE) in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), and the U.S. Department of Labor. The evaluation involves an experimental, random assignment design in 6 sites, testing a diverse set of strategies to promote employment for low-income parents who face serious obstacles to employment, including physical and mental health problems, substance abuse, human capital deficiencies, and situational barriers. At least two of the

sites included in the evaluation will feature "two generation" models, serving both parents and their children. Over the next several years, the HtE project will generate a wealth of rigorous data on implementation, effects, and costs of these alternative approaches. The data collected will be used for the following purposes:

- To study the extent to which different HtE approaches impact employment, earnings, income, welfare dependence, and the presence or persistence of employment barriers;
- To collect data on a wider range of outcome measures than is available through Welfare, Medicaid, Food Stamps, Social Security, the Criminal Justice System or Unemployment Insurance records in order to understand the family circumstances and attributes and situations that contribute to the difficulties in finding employment; job retention and job quality; educational attainment; interactions with and knowledge of the HtE program; household composition; childcare; transportation; health care; income; physical and mental health problems; substance abuse; domestic violence; and criminal history.

- To conduct non-experimental analyses to explain participation decisions and provide a descriptive picture of the circumstances of individuals who are hard-to-employ;
- To obtain participation information important to the evaluation's benefit-cost component;
- And to obtain contact information for possible future follow-up, information that will be important to achieving high response rates for the 42-month survey.

Respondents: The respondents of the baseline survey are Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) recipients, former TANF recipients, or low-income individuals who are hard-to-employ from six states likely to be participating in the HtE Project: California, Georgia, Kansas, New York, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin. Survey respondents can be grouped according to 4 target populations: prisoners with children; low-income mothers with mental health problems; populations connected to the TANF system; and programs working with two-generations (parents and their children). Prior to random assignment, basic demographic information for all survey respondents will be obtained wherever possible from the program's automated system. In addition, all survey respondents will receive a core set of questions that will be administered by Audio-Computer Assisted Self Interview (ACASI-Core). In the site operating a program aimed

¹ From the Department of Health and Human Services RFP No.: 233-01-0012.

specifically at ex-offenders, an additional supplementary module will be administered by Audio-CASI. Similarly, an additional supplementary module will be administered by Audio-CASI in the site operating a program aimed at survey respondents with

mental health problems. Finally, in the two-generation sites (two of the six sites), survey respondents will complete a two-generation survey administered by a Computer Assisted Personal Interview (CAPI). Approximately 12,000 respondents will complete the core

survey, 2,000 will complete the criminal justice module, 2,000 will complete the mental health module, and 4,000 will complete the two-generation CAPI survey.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours
Audio-CASI Core	12,000	1	10 minutes or .17 hrs	2,000
Criminal Justice Module	2,000	1	10 minutes or .17 hrs	333.33
Mental Health Module	2,000	1	10 minutes or .17 hrs	333.33
Two Generation	4,000	1	30 minutes or .5 hrs	2,000
Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours ...				4,666.66

In compliance with the requirements of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Administration for Children and Families is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described above. Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained and comments may be forwarded by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Information Services, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW., Washington, DC 20447, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection.

The Department specifically requests comments on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) 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. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted within 60 days of this publication.

Dated: February 6, 2003.

Gerald L. Fralick,

Director, Office of Information Systems.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 03F-0023]

Kerry, Inc.; Filing of Food Additive Petition

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that Kerry, Inc., has filed a petition proposing that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of gum arabic as a thickener, emulsifier, or stabilizer in the manufacture of creamers for use in alcoholic beverages at a maximum level of use of 20 percent.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Andrew D. Laumbach, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (S-265), Food and Drug Administration, 5100 Paint Branch Pkwy., College Park, MD 20740, 202-418-3071.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (sec. 409(b)(5) (21 U.S.C. 348(b)(5))), notice is given that a food additive petition (FAP 1A4730) has been filed by Kerry, Inc., c/o Bell, Boyd, and Lloyd LLC, Three First National Plaza, 70 West Madison St., suite 3300, Chicago, IL 60602-4207. The petition proposes to amend the food additive regulations in part 172 *Food Additives Permitted for Direct Addition to Food for Human Consumption* (21 CFR part 172) to provide for the safe use of gum arabic as a thickener, emulsifier, or stabilizer in the manufacture of creamers for use in alcoholic beverages at a maximum level of use of 20 percent.

The food additive petition filed as FAP 1A4730 was initially filed as a generally recognized as safe (GRAS) affirmation petition GRP 3G0287 as announced in a notice that was published in the **Federal Register** of October 13, 1983 (48 FR 46626) (The GRAS affirmation petition was filed by Beatrice Foods Co., now Kerry, Inc.). Kerry, Inc., requested in a letter dated September 6, 2001, that FDA convert the GRAS affirmation petition (GRP 3G0287) to a food additive petition (FAP 1A4730).

The agency has determined under 21 CFR 25.32(r) that this action is of a type that does not individually or cumulatively have a significant effect on the human environment.

Therefore, neither an environmental assessment nor an environmental impact statement is required.

Dated: December 19, 2002.

Alan M. Rulis,

Director, Office of Food Additive Safety, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 00E-1249]

Determination of Regulatory Review Period for Purposes of Patent Extension; Avandia

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has determined the regulatory review period for