

are titled: (1) Application for a Bank to Establish a Branch or Move its Main Office or Branch; (2) Application for Consent to Reduce or Retire Capital; and (3) Activities and Investments of Savings Associations.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before January 5, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties are invited to submit written comments to Steve Hanft, Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 898-3907, Legal Division, Room MB-3046, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, 550 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20429. All comments should refer to the OMB control number. Comments may be hand-delivered to the guard station at the rear of the 17th Street Building (located on F Street), on business days between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. [FAX number (202) 898-3838; Internet address: comments@fdic.gov].

A copy of the comments may also be submitted to the OMB desk officer for the FDIC: Joseph Lackey, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10236, Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Steve Hanft, at the address identified above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Proposal to renew the following currently approved collections of information:

1. *Title:* Application for a Bank to Establish a Branch or Move its Main Office or Branch.

OMB Number: 3064-0070.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Affected Public: Insured financial institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,540.

Estimated Time per Response: 5 hours.

Total Annual Burden: 7,700 hours.

General Description of Collection: Insured State nonmember banks are required by law to obtain the FDIC's prior written consent before they can establish and operate any new domestic branch or move their main office or any branch from one location to another.

2. *Title:* Application for Consent to Reduce or Retire Capital.

OMB Number: 3064-0079.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Affected Public: Insured State nonmember banks.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 80.

Estimated Time per Response: 1 hour.

Total Annual Burden: 80 hours.

General Description of Collection: Insured state nonmember banks that

propose to change their capital structure must apply for and obtain FDIC's consent to reduce or retire capital.

3. *Title:* Activities and Investments of Savings Associations.

OMB Number: 3064-0104.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Affected Public: Insured savings associations.

Estimated Number of Responses: 75.

Estimated Time per Response: 5 hours.

Total Annual Burden: 375 hours.

General Description of Collection:

This collection of information is an application submitted by savings associations to the FDIC as part of the process of obtaining exceptions to the restrictions on the powers of savings associations. The restrictions reduce the risk of loss to the deposit insurance funds and eliminate some differences between the powers of state associations and those of federal associations.

Request for Comment

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether these collections of information are necessary for the proper performance of the FDIC's functions, including whether the information has practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the estimates of the burden of the information collections, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collections on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

At the end of the comment period, the comments and recommendations received will be analyzed to determine the extent to which the collections should be modified prior to submission to OMB for review and approval. Comments submitted in response to this notice also will be summarized or included in the FDIC's requests to OMB for renewal of these collections. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated at Washington, DC this 30th day of October, 2003.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Valerie Best,

Assistant Executive Secretary.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Notice of Agreements Filed

The Commission hereby gives notice of the filing of the following agreements

under the Shipping Act of 1984.

Interested parties can review or obtain copies of agreements at the Washington, DC offices of the Commission, 800 North Capitol Street, N.W., Room 940. Interested parties may submit comments on an agreement to the Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, DC 20573, within 10 days of the date this notice appears in the **Federal Register**.

Agreement No.: 009831-021

Title: New Zealand/United States Container Lines Association

Parties:

P&O Nedlloyd Limited;
Hamburg-Sud;

Australia-New Zealand Direct Line;
and Lykes Lines Limited, LLC

Synopsis: The amendment adds Lykes Lines Limited, LLC as a party and corrects the business address of Australia-New Zealand Direct Line.

Agreement No.: 011117-031

Title: United States/Australasia Discussion Agreement

Parties:

P&O Nedlloyd Limited;

Australia-New Zealand Direct Line;

Contship Containerlines; Hamburg-Sud; Compagnie Maritime Marfret, S.A.;

Wallenius Wilhelmsen Lines AS;

CMA CGM, S.A.;

Fesco Ocean Management Limited;

A.P. Moller-Maersk A/S;

and Lykes Lines Limited, LLC

Synopsis: The amendment adds Lykes Lines Limited, LLC to the agreement; corrects the business address of Australia-New Zealand Direct Line; and updates Maersk's corporate name.

Agreement No.: 011268-015

Title: New Zealand/United States Interconference and Carrier Discussion Agreement

Parties:

New Zealand/United States Container Lines Association; P&O Nedlloyd Limited;

Hamburg-Sud;

LauritzenCool AB;

Australia-New Zealand Direct Line;

FESCO Ocean Management Ltd.,

A.P. Moller-Maersk A/S;

and Lykes Lines Limited, LLC

Synopsis: The amendment adds Lykes Lines Limited, LLC to the agreement; corrects the business address of Australia-New Zealand Direct Line; and updates Maersk's corporate name.

Agreement No.: 011275-014

Title: Australia/United States Discussion Agreement

Parties:

Hamburg-Sud; P&O Nedlloyd Limited;

Australia-New Zealand Direct Line;

LauritzenCool AB;
Seatrade Group NV;
FESCO Ocean Management Inc.;
A.P. Moller-Maersk A/S; and Lykes
Lines Limited, LLC

Synopsis: The amendment adds Lykes Lines Limited, LLC as a party to the agreement; updates the name of Maersk; and corrects the addresses of ANZDL, LauritzenCool, and Seatrade.

Agreement No.: 011407-006
Title: Australia/United States
Containerline Association

Parties:

Hamburg-Sud;
P&O Nedlloyd Limited;
Australia-New Zealand Direct Line;
and Lykes Lines Limited, LLC

Synopsis: The amendment adds Lykes Lines Limited, LLC as a party to the agreement and corrects the addresses of Hamburg-Sud and ANZDL.

Agreement Nos.: 011510-022
Title: West African Discussion
Agreement

Parties: Atlantic Bulk Carriers, Ltd.;
HUAL A/S;
and P&O Nedlloyd Limited

Synopsis: The amendment deletes P&O Nedlloyd Limited as a party to the agreement effective November 21, 2003.

Agreement No.: 011665-005
Title: Specialized Reefer Shipping
Association

Parties:

LauritzenCool AB, NYK Star Reefers,
and Seatrade Group NV

Synopsis: The amendment deletes NYK Star Reefers as a party to the agreement.

Agreement No.: 011866
Title: NYK/MP Line Cooperative
Working Agreement

Parties: Nippon Yusen Kaisha and MP
Line de Mexico,
S.A. de C.V.

Synopsis: The proposed agreement would authorize NYK to charter a ro-ro vessel to MP Line to operate generally between Florida and the U.S. Gulf coast, on the one hand, and Mexico, East coast of Central America, the North coast of South America, and the Caribbean, on the other hand. The agreement would also authorize MP Line to charter space back to NYK on the vessel.

By Order of the Federal Maritime
Commission.

Dated: October 31, 2003.

Bryant L. VanBrakle,
Secretary.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Ocean Transportation Intermediary License; Applicants

Notice is hereby given that the following applicants have filed with the Federal Maritime Commission an application for license as a Non-Vessel Operating Common Carrier and Ocean Freight Forwarder—Ocean Transportation Intermediary pursuant to section 19 of the Shipping Act of 1984 as amended (46 U.S.C. app. 1718 and 46 CFR 515).

Persons knowing of any reason why the following applicants should not receive a license are requested to contact the Office of Transportation Intermediaries, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, DC 20573.

Non-Vessel Operating Common Carrier Ocean Transportation Intermediary Applicants:

IFE Global Logistics Inc., 100 N. Hill Drive, #15, Brisbane, CA 94005,
Officer: Eric C. Datanagan, President
(Qualifying Individual)

LA World Express Inc. dba Guangyi USA, 2800 Plaza Del Amo, #202, Torrance, CA 90503, Officers:
Raymond Chou, Operating Manager
(Qualifying Individual), Glenda Chu, President

Sunwoo International, Inc. dba Gen-X, International Freight Company, 2558 Landmeier Road, Suite C, Elk Grove Village, IL 60007, Officer: Kook Seong Lee, President (Qualifying Individual)
Marine Transport Logistic Inc., 602 20th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11218, Officer: Alla Solovyeva, President (Qualifying Individual)

Ocean Freight Forwarder—Ocean Transportation Intermediary Applicant:
Transporte Medrano, Inc. dba Medrano Express, 134 North Franklin Street, Hempstead, NY 11550-1318, Officers:
Jorge A. Medrano, President
(Qualifying Individual), Telma Ayala, Vice President

Dated: October 31, 2003.

Bryant L. VanBrakle,
Secretary.

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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 <http://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 November 28, 2003.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago
(Phillip Jackson, Applications Officer)
230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago,
Illinois 60690-1414:

1. *Alpha Financial Group, Inc.*, Employee Stock Ownership Plan, Toluca, Illinois; to acquire an additional 12.58 percent, for a total of 51.9 percent, of the voting shares of Alpha Financial Group, Inc., Toluca, Illinois, and thereby indirectly acquire Alpha Community Bank, Toluca, Illinois.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, October 30, 2003.

Jennifer J. Johnson,
Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Government in the Sunshine Meeting; Notice

AGENCY: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

TIME AND DATE: 11:30 a.m., Monday, November 10, 2003.