

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 December 23, 2004.

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

1. *Community First Bancshares, Inc.*, Harrison, Arkansas; to acquire 20 percent of the voting shares of White River Bancshares Company, Fayetteville, Arkansas (in organization), and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of Signature Bank of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Arkansas (formerly First Bank of South Arkansas, Camden, Arkansas).

2. *Home Bancshares, Inc.*, Conway, Arkansas; to acquire 20 percent of the voting shares of White River Bancshares Company, Fayetteville, Arkansas (in organization), and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of Signature Bank of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Arkansas (formerly First Bank of South Arkansas, Camden, Arkansas).

3. *White River Bancshares Company*, Fayetteville, Arkansas; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Signature Bank of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Arkansas (formerly First Bank of South Arkansas, Camden, Arkansas).

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, November 23, 2004.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy 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 December 13, 2004.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco (Tracy Basinger, Director, Regional and Community Bank Group) 101 Market Street, San Francisco, California 94105-1579:

1. *The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi, Ltd., and Mitsubishi Tokyo Financial Group, Inc.*, both of Tokyo, Japan; to acquire UFJ Futures, L.L.C., Chicago, Illinois, and Central Leasing (U.S.A.), Inc., Florence, Kentucky, and thereby engage in the finance leasing of equipment, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(3), the execution and clearance of futures and options contracts and other transactional services, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(7) of Regulation Y.

In addition, Mitsubishi Trust & Banking Corporation (U.S.A.), New York, New York, and Mitsubishi Tokyo Financial Group, Inc., Tokyo, Japan, has applied to acquire UFJ Trust Company of New York, New York, and thereby engage in providing trust services on a national and international basis, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(5) of Regulation Y.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, November 22, 2004.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Federal Open Market Committee; Domestic Policy Directive of September 21, 2004

In accordance with § 271.25 of its rules regarding availability of information (12 CFR part 271), there is set forth below the domestic policy directive issued by the Federal Open Market Committee at its meeting held on September 21, 2004.¹

The Federal Open Market Committee seeks monetary and financial conditions that will foster price stability and promote sustainable growth in output. To further its long-run objectives, the Committee in the immediate future seeks conditions in reserve markets consistent with increasing the federal funds rate to an average of around 1-3/4 percent.

By order of the Federal Open Market Committee, November 18, 2004.

Vincent R. Reinhart,

Secretary, Federal Open Market Committee.

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¹ Copies of the Minutes of the Federal Open Market Committee meeting on September 21, 2004, which includes the domestic policy directive issued at the meeting, are available upon request to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington, D.C. 20551. The minutes are published in the Federal Reserve Bulletin and in the Board's annual report.