

cargo from ports on the U.S. Atlantic Coast to the ports of Lome, Togo and Cotonou, Benin.

Agreement No.: 011948.

Title: CMA–CGM/CSCL Cross Space Charter, Sailing and Cooperative Working Agreement—Central China/US West Coast, Yang Tse/AAC 2 Service.

Parties: CMA–CGM, S.A. and China Shipping Container Lines Co., Ltd./China Shipping Container Lines (Hong Kong) Co., Ltd.

Filing Party: Brett M. Esber, Esq.; Blank Rome LLP; Watergate; 600 New Hampshire Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20037.

Synopsis: The agreement authorizes the parties to share vessel space in the trade between ports in the Far East and ports on the Pacific Coast of North America.

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Title: U.S. Flag Roll-On Roll-Off Carrier Vessel Schedule Discussion and Voluntary Adherence Agreement.

Parties: American Roll-On Roll-Off Carrier, LLC and Waterman Steamship Corporation.

Filing Party: John P. Vayda, Esq.; Nourse & Bowles, LLP; One Exchange Plaza; 55 Broadway; New York, NY 10006–3030.

Synopsis: The agreement authorizes the parties to discuss and voluntarily adhere to the scheduling of their sailings between U.S. Atlantic and Gulf Coast ports and ports on the Mediterranean Sea and in the Middle East.

By Order of the Federal Maritime Commission.

Dated: March 3, 2006.

Karen V. Gregory,

Assistant 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 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 April 3, 2006.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City (Donna J. Ward, Assistant Vice President) 925 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri 64198-0001:

1. *DS Holding Company, Inc.*, Omaha, Nebraska; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of DB Holding Company, Inc., parent of Omaha State Bank, all located in Omaha, Nebraska.

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

1. *ICB Financial*, Ontario, California; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Western State Bank, Duarte, California.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, March 3, 2006.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Federal Open Market Committee; Domestic Policy Directive of January 31, 2006

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 January 31, 2006.¹

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 4–1/2 percent.

The vote encompassed approval of the paragraph below for inclusion in the statement to be released shortly after the meeting:

“The Committee judges that some further policy firming may be needed to keep the risks to the attainment of both sustainable economic growth and price stability roughly in balance. In any event, the Committee will respond to changes in economic prospects as needed to foster these objectives.”

By order of the Federal Open Market Committee, February 27, 2006.

Vincent R. Reinhart,

Secretary, Federal Open Market Committee.

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FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission (FTC or Commission).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The FTC is soliciting public comments on proposed information requests to beverage alcohol manufacturers. These comments will be considered before the FTC submits a request for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) review under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA), 44 U.S.C. 3501–3520, of compulsory process orders to alcohol advertisers for information concerning, *inter alia*, compliance with voluntary advertising placement provisions, sales and marketing expenditures, and the status of third-party review of complaints regarding compliance with voluntary advertising codes.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before May 8, 2006.

¹ Copies of the Minutes of the Federal Open Market Committee Meeting on January 31, 2006, 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, DC 20551. The minutes are published in the Federal Reserve Bulletin and in the Board's annual report.