

**ADDRESSES:** The documents relevant to the above action are available for public inspection during normal business hours at the following address: Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard (AR-18J), Chicago, Illinois 60604. To arrange viewing of these documents, call Constantine Blathras at (312) 886-0671.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Constantine Blathras, Air and Radiation Division, Air Programs Branch, Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, 77 W. Jackson Boulevard (AR-18J), Chicago, Illinois 60604. Anyone who wishes to review the EAB decision can obtain it at <http://www.epa.gov/eab/>.

Dated: January 17, 2007.

**Bharat Mathur,**

*Deputy Regional Administrator, Region 5.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPPT-2005-0051; FRL-8272-1]

### Asbestos-Containing Materials in Schools; State Request for Waiver From Requirements

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of final approval.

**SUMMARY:** EPA is approving a waiver of the requirements of the Federal asbestos-in-schools program for the Commonwealth of Kentucky. A waiver request can be granted if EPA determines that the Commonwealth of Kentucky is implementing or intends to implement a state program of asbestos inspection and management that is at least as stringent as the federal program. This action approves the waiver request submitted by Governor Paul E. Patton, on January 4, 1999. On June 1, 2006, EPA published a notice of proposed approval and request for comments, and on August 31, 2006, published a reopening of comment period and correction. A detailed description of this waiver request and EPA's rationale for approving it was provided in the notice of proposed approval and request for comments and will not be restated here. No significant or adverse comments were received on EPA's proposal.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This final approval is effective on February 22, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** EPA has established a docket for this action under Docket Identification No. EPA-HQ-OPPT-2005-0051. All documents in the docket

are listed on the [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) Web site. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, i.e., Confidential Business Information or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, is not placed on the Internet and will be publicly available only in hard copy form. Publicly available docket materials are available either electronically through [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) or in hard copy at the Asbestos Coordinator, Region 4, Environmental Protection Agency, Atlanta Federal Center, 61 Forsyth Street SW., Atlanta, GA 30303-8960. EPA requests that if at all possible, you contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section to schedule your inspection. The Regional Office's official hours of business are Monday through Friday, 8:30 to 4:30, excluding legal holidays.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For general information contact: Colby Lintner, Regulatory Coordinator, Environmental Assistance Division (7408M), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (202) 564-8182; e-mail address: [TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov](mailto:TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov).

For technical information contact: John Hund, Asbestos Coordinator, Region 4, Environmental Protection Agency, Atlanta Federal Center, 61 Forsyth Street, SW., Atlanta, GA 30303-8960; telephone number: (404) 562-8978; e-mail address: [hund.john@epa.gov](mailto:hund.john@epa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. What Action Is the Agency Taking?

EPA is granting a waiver of the asbestos-in-schools program to the Commonwealth of Kentucky. This waiver is issued under section 203(m) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) and 40 CFR 763.98. Section 203 is within Title II of TSCA, the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA). The Agency recognizes that a waiver granted to any State would not encompass schools operated under the defense dependents' education system (the third type of local education agency (LEA) defined at TSCA section 202(7) and 40 CFR 763.83), which serve dependents in overseas areas, and other elementary and secondary schools outside a State's jurisdiction, which generally includes schools in Indian country. Such schools would remain subject to EPA's asbestos-in-schools program.

On June 1, 2006, (71 FR 31183) EPA published a notice of proposed approval and request for comments. A detailed description of this waiver request and EPA's rationale for approving it was provided in the notice of proposed approval and request for comments and will not be restated here. On August 31, 2006, (71 FR 51816) EPA published a reopening of comment period and correction notice. No significant or adverse comments were received on EPA's proposal.

##### II. What Is the Agency's Authority for Taking This Action?

In 1987, under TSCA section 203, the Agency promulgated regulations that require the identification and management of asbestos-containing material by LEAs in the nation's elementary and secondary school buildings: The "AHERA Schools Rule" (40 CFR part 763, subpart E). Under section 203(m) of TSCA and 40 CFR 763.98, upon request by a State Governor and after notice and comment and opportunity for a public hearing in the State, EPA may waive, in whole or in part, the requirements of the asbestos-in-schools program (TSCA section 203 and the AHERA Schools Rule) if EPA determines that the State has established and is implementing or intends to implement a program of asbestos inspection and management that contains requirements that are at least as stringent as those in the Agency's asbestos-in-schools program. A State seeking a waiver must submit its request to the EPA Region in which that State is located.

##### III. When Did Kentucky Submit Its Request for a Waiver?

On January 4, 1999, Governor Paul E. Patton, submitted to the EPA Region 4 Regional Administrator, a letter with supporting documentation requesting a full waiver of the requirements of EPA's asbestos-in-schools program pursuant to the AHERA statute and 40 CFR 763.98. The EPA Region 4 Administrator indicated by letter dated February 19, 1999, to Kentucky that the request was complete. A subsequent letter dated August 21, 2000, from the Director of Kentucky Division for Air Quality, corrected an inadvertent error in the January 4, 1999, letter.

##### IV. Materials in the Official Record

The official record, under Docket ID Number EPA-HQ-OPPT-2005-0051, contains the Kentucky waiver request, and any other supporting or relevant documents.

**List of Subjects**

Environmental protection, Asbestos, Hazardous substances, Occupational health and safety, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Schools.

**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 7401 *et seq.*

Dated: January 8, 2007.

**A. Stanley Meiburg,**

*Acting Regional Administrator, Region 4.*

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**FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION****Board Action Cancelling Charter of the Farm Credit System Financial Assistance Corporation**

**AGENCY:** Farm Credit Administration.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Farm Credit Administration (FCA or Agency), through the FCA Board, cancelled the charter of the Farm Credit System Financial Assistance Corporation (FAC or Corporation) at the January 11, 2007, Board meeting. The FCA chartered the FAC on January 11, 1988, to carry out a program to provide capital to Farm Credit System (System) institutions that were experiencing financial difficulties, and to assist in the repayment by System institutions to those that provided funds in connection with the program. The FAC discharged all of its responsibilities with respect to the repayment of FAC obligations during June 2005, and as a result, became eligible to terminate its corporate existence.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** December 31, 2006.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Eric Howard, Senior Policy Analyst, Office of Regulatory Policy, Farm Credit Administration, McLean, Virginia 22102-5090, (703) 883-4481, TTY (703) 883-4056, or Rebecca Orlich, Senior Counsel, Office of General Counsel, Farm Credit Administration, McLean, Virginia 22102-5090, (703) 883-4020, TTY (703) 883-4020.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On January 11, 2007, the FCA Board took action to cancel the charter and corporate existence of the FAC. The text of the Board action is set forth below:

Whereas, on January 11, 1988, the Farm Credit Administration chartered the Farm Credit System Financial Assistance Corporation pursuant to section 6.20, title VI, subtitle B of the Farm Credit Act of 1971, as amended (Act), to carry out a program to provide capital to institutions of the Farm Credit System (System) that were experiencing

financial difficulties and to assist in the repayment by System institutions to those that provided funds in connection with the program; and

Whereas, section 6.31 of the Act provides that the Farm Credit System Financial Assistance Corporation will terminate upon the complete discharge of its statutory obligations, but in no event later than 2 years following the maturity and full payment of its debt obligations; and

Whereas, on June 10, 2005, the last remaining debt obligation issued by the Farm Credit System Financial Assistance Corporation matured and was repaid; and

Whereas, on June 10, 2005, all interest advanced by the U.S. Treasury was repaid; and

Whereas, the final audit of the Farm Credit System Financial Assistance Corporation as of September 30, 2005, was completed by PricewaterhouseCoopers, an independent auditor; and

Whereas, on November 14, 2005, the Farm Credit Administration issued to the Farm Credit System Financial Assistance Corporation a final Report of Examination as of September 30, 2005; and

Whereas, the Farm Credit Administration has determined that the Farm Credit System Financial Assistance Corporation has effectively completed its statutory mission, complied with applicable laws and regulations, operated in a safe and sound manner, and thus has fulfilled its statutory obligations and discharged its responsibilities under sections 6.9 and 6.26 of the Act;

Now, therefore, it is hereby ordered that:

The charter of the Farm Credit System Financial Assistance Corporation is hereby cancelled retroactively to December 31, 2006.

Signed by Nancy C. Pellett, Chairman, Farm Credit Administration Board on January 11, 2007.

Dated: January 18, 2007.

**Roland E. Smith,**

*Secretary, Farm Credit Administration Board.*

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**FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM****Change in Bank Control Notices; Acquisition of Shares of Bank or Bank Holding Companies**

The notificants listed below have applied under the Change in Bank Control Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)) and

§ 225.41 of the Board's Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.41) to acquire a bank or bank holding company. The factors that are considered in acting on the notices are set forth in paragraph 7 of the Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)(7)).

The notices are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notices also will be available for inspection at the office of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing to the Reserve Bank indicated for that notice or to the offices of the Board of Governors. Comments must be received not later than February 7, 2007.

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

1. *John P. Stinner and Rita E. Stinner, both of Gering, Nebraska*, to acquire voting shares of First Express of Nebraska, Inc., Gering, Nebraska, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of Valley Bank and Trust Company, Scottsbluff, Nebraska.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, January 17, 2007.

**Robert deV. Frierson,**

*Deputy 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