

indicated. The applications 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/](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 June 11, 2010.

**A. Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas** (E. Ann Worthy, Vice President) 2200 North Pearl Street, Dallas, Texas 75201-2272:

1. *Connemara Bancorp, Inc., Dallas, Texas*; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of First Amherst Bancshares, Inc., Amherst, Texas, and indirectly acquire First National Bank, Amherst, Texas.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, May 13, 2010.

**Robert deV. Frierson,**

*Deputy Secretary of the Board.*

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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 may submit comments on the agreements to the Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, DC 20573, within ten days of the date this notice appears in the **Federal Register**. Copies of the agreements are available through the Commission's Web site (<http://www.fmc.gov>) or by contacting the Office of Agreements at (202) 523-5793 or [tradeanalysis@fmc.gov](mailto:tradeanalysis@fmc.gov).

*Agreement No.:* 011848-003.  
*Title:* WWL/"K" Line Transatlantic Space Charter Agreement.

*Parties:* Kawasaki Kisen Kaisha, Ltd. ("K" Line) and Wallenius Wilhelmsen Logistics AS ("WWL").

*Filing Party:* John P. Meade, Esq.; Vice President-Law; "K" Line America, Inc.; 6009 Bethlehem Road; Preston, MD 21655.

*Synopsis:* The amendment revises the agreement to now provide for the reciprocal chartering of space between the parties for vehicles in the trade between the U.S. Atlantic Coast and Europe.

*Agreement No.:* 201162-005.

*Title:* NYSA-ILA Assessment Agreement.

*Parties:* International Longshoremen's Association and New York Shipping Association.

*Filing Parties:* Donato Caruso, Esq.; The Lambos Firm; 29 Broadway, 9th Floor; New York, NY 10006 and Andre Mazzola, Esq.; Marrinan & Mazzola Mardon, P.C.; 26 Broadway, 17th Floor; New York, NY 10004.

*Synopsis:* The amendment reduces the assessment per container of bananas during the period from May 1, 2010 through September 30, 2010.

By Order of the Federal Maritime Commission.

Dated: May 14, 2010.

**Karen V. Gregory,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Solicitation of Written Comments on Draft HHS Strategic Framework on Multiple Chronic Conditions

**AGENCY:** Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Secretary.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Public Health and Science is soliciting public comment on the HHS Interagency Workgroup on Multiple Chronic Conditions draft "HHS Strategic Framework on Multiple Chronic Conditions."

**DATES:** Comments on the HHS Interagency Workgroup on Multiple Chronic Conditions draft strategic framework should be received no later than 5:30 p.m. on June 18, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** The draft strategic framework can be found at <http://www.hhs.gov/ophs/initiatives/mcc/index.html>. Comments are preferred electronically and may be addressed to [MCC@hhs.gov](mailto:MCC@hhs.gov). Written responses should be addressed to Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue, SW., Room 736-E, Washington, DC 20201, Attention: MCC Strategic Framework.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Monica L. Stevenson, (202) 401-6998 or [MCC@hhs.gov](mailto:MCC@hhs.gov).

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### I. Background

Approximately 75 million Americans have multiple (2 or more) concurrent chronic conditions, including problems such as hypertension, heart disease, arthritis, diabetes, mental health conditions, and chronic respiratory infections. As the number of chronic conditions in an individual increases, the risks of the following outcomes also increase: Mortality, poor functional status, unnecessary hospitalizations, adverse drug events, duplicative tests, and conflicting medical advice. Sixty-six percent of total health care spending is directed toward care for the approximately 27 percent of Americans with multiple chronic conditions (MCC). MCC can contribute to frailty and disability; conversely, most older persons who are frail or disabled have MCC. It is the confluence of MCC and functional limitations, especially the need for assistance with activities of daily living, that produces high levels of spending.

Developing and implementing the HHS Initiative on Multiple Chronic Conditions is the responsibility of the Office of Public Health and Science (OPHS), located within the Office of the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). OPHS advises the Secretary on matters involving the nation's public health, serves as the focal point for leadership and coordination across the Department in public health and science, and leads the U.S. Public Health Service (USPHS) Commissioned Corps.

As part of the HHS Initiative on Multiple Chronic Conditions, OPHS is responsible for convening the HHS Interagency Workgroup on Multiple Chronic Conditions. The Workgroup has drafted a "Strategic Framework on Multiple Chronic Conditions" that addresses approaches to improving the health of individuals with concurrent multiple chronic conditions by providing options for HHS to strengthen coordination of its efforts internally and collaboration with stakeholders externally. The intent of the strategic framework is to improve the foundation for realizing optimum health and quality of life for individuals with multiple chronic conditions. To assist the Workgroup in obtaining broad input in the development of the strategic framework, HHS, through this request for information (RFI), is seeking comments from stakeholders and the public on the draft strategic framework. The draft strategic framework can be found at <http://www.hhs.gov/ophs/initiatives/mcc/index.html>.