when it is the acquiring, assuming or resulting bank, obtain prior approval from the Board before merging or consolidating with another insured depository institution, or before acquiring the assets of or assuming liability to deposits made in any other insured depository institution. (12 U.S.C. 1828(c)). The Federal Reserve treats the Interagency Bank Merger Act Application as a public document. However, applicants may request that parts of their applications be kept confidential. In such cases, the filer must justify the exemption by demonstrating that disclosure would cause “substantial competitive harm,” would result in “an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy,” or would otherwise qualify for an exemption under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552). The confidentiality status of the information submitted will be judged on a case-by-case basis.

Consultation outside the agency: The interagency working group responsible for these reports is comprised of representatives from the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), and the Federal Reserve System, who collaborated to recommend the proposed revisions.


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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
A. Purpose
In December 2015, the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST) Act outlined a set of fundamental requirements designed to change the way Federal government agencies carry out their permitting and environmental review responsibilities for major infrastructure projects. Section 41003(a)(1)(A) of the FAST Act states that a “project sponsor of a covered project shall submit to the Executive Director and the facilitating agency notice of the initiation of a proposed covered project.” The statute goes on to describe the required information to be contained in this notice of initiation.

In order to accommodate this statutory requirement, the Federal Permitting Improvement Steering Council (FPISC) has developed the Notice of Initiation form. The information collected via the Notice of Initiation form will be reviewed by the facilitating agency, as identified for the particular type of project under consideration, as well as the Executive Director of the FPISC in order to verify that the project in question qualifies to be considered a “covered project.” If the project outlined in the Notice of Initiation is accepted as a covered project, the project will be added to the Online Permitting Dashboard and a series of steps will be taken by the facilitating agency and the Executive Director as outlined in Title XLI of the FAST Act.

B. Annual Reporting Burden
Respondents: 50.
Responses Per Respondent: 1.
Total Annual Responses: 50.
Hours per Response: 3.
Total Burden Hours: 150.

C. Public Comments
Public comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary, whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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