

shall commence within the time limitations prescribed in 46 CFR 502.61, and only after consideration has been given by the parties and the presiding officer to the use of alternative forms of dispute resolution. The hearing shall include oral testimony and cross-examination in the discretion of the presiding officer only upon proper showing that there are genuine issues of material fact that cannot be resolved on the basis of sworn statements, affidavits, depositions, or other documents or that the nature of the matter in issue is such that an oral hearing and cross-examination are necessary for the development of an adequate record. Pursuant to the further terms of 46 CFR 502.61, the initial decision of the presiding officer in this proceeding shall be issued by August 14, 2000, and the final decision of the Commission shall be issued by December 12, 2000.

Ronald D. Murphy,

Assistant Secretary.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Ocean Freight Forwarder License Revocations

The Federal Maritime Commission hereby gives notice that the following freight forwarder licenses have been revoked pursuant to section 19 of the Shipping Act of 1984 (46 U.S.C. app. 1718) and the regulations of the Commission pertaining to the licensing of Ocean Transportation Intermediaries, effective on the corresponding revocation dates shown below:

License No.: 3581

Name: Aleta W. Vernon d/b/a Danco Freight Forwarding Co.

Address: 163 Deertract Loop, Stoneville, NC 27048

Date Revoked: June 9, 1999

Reason: Failed to maintain a valid bond.

License No.: 3408

Name: Atlanta Customs Brokers and Freight Forwarders, Inc.

Address: 650 Atlanta South Parkway, Ste. 250, Atlanta, GA 30349

Date Revoked: June 15, 1999

Reason: Surrendered license voluntarily.

License No.: 4056

Name: Brian Min d/b/a B & A Express

Address: 18747 Laurel Park Road, Rancho Dominguez, CA 90220

Date Revoked: July 12, 1999

Reason: Surrendered license voluntarily.

License No.: 2947

Name: Kintetsu Intermodal (U.S.A.), Inc.

Address: 1035 Watson Center Road, Carson, CA 90745

Date Revoked: May 1, 1999

Reason: Surrendered license voluntarily.

License No.: 1234

Name: Margarita T. Kuyoomjian d/b/a California International Forwarders

Address: 502 S. Irving Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90020

Date Revoked: April 29, 1999

Reason: Surrendered license voluntarily.

License No.: 3138

Name: Multi-Modal International, Inc.

Address: 3531 Casa Real Way, P.O. Box 81873, Las Vegas, NV 89180-1873

Date Revoked: May 6, 1999

Reason: Surrendered license voluntarily.

License No.: 4565

Name: Mundial Forwarding, Inc.

Address: 918 Dunwood Drive, Houston, TX 77076

Date Revoked: June 8, 1999

Reason: Surrendered license voluntarily.

License No.: 2806

Name: Oceanflight, Inc.

Address: 3199 Kinross Court, Herndon, VA 20171

Date Revoked: May 1, 1999

Reason: Surrendered license voluntarily.

License No.: 2755

Name: Pasco Associates Limited Partnership

Address: 1050 17th Street, N.W., Ste. 450, Washington, DC 20036

Date Revoked: April 29, 1999

Reason: Surrendered license voluntarily.

License No.: 2742

Name: Pegasus (N.Y.) Inc.

Address: 175-01 Rockaway Blvd., Ste. 203, Jamaica, NY 11434

Date Revoked: March 27, 1999

Reason: Failed to maintain a valid surety bond.

License No.: 2101

Name: Cosdel International Company, Inc.

Address: 55 New Montgomery Street, San Francisco, CA 94105

Date Revoked: April 21, 1999

Reason: Surrendered license voluntarily.

License No.: 4053

Name: Exincargo, Inc.

Address: 7855 NW 29th Street, Suite 150, Miami, FL 33122

Date Revoked: May 14, 1999

Reason: Surrendered license voluntarily.

License No.: 3352

Name: Fairway Express, Inc.

Address: 5250 W. Century Blvd., Ste. 415, Los Angeles, CA 90045-5941

Date Revoked: May 1, 1999

Reason: Surrendered license voluntarily.

License No.: 1896

Name: Fernando Rogus/Smith & Johnson (Warehouse) Inc.

Address: c/o Wilson UTC, Inc., 750 Walnut Avenue, Cranford, NJ 07016

Date Revoked: May 5, 1999

Reason: Surrendered license voluntarily.

License No.: 4047

Name: Heywal Soo Kahng d/b/a Maturity International Transport

Address: 2039 W. Artesia Blvd., Ste. 144, Torrance, CA 90504

Date Revoked: April 30, 1999

Reason: Surrendered license voluntarily.

License No.: 4155

Name: King Senderax, Inc. d/b/a King Senderax Cargo

Address: 17310 Crenshaw Blvd., Torrance, CA 90504

Date Revoked: June 8, 1999

Reason: Surrendered license voluntarily.

License No.: 2039

Name: Seven Seas Brokers Inc.

Address: 5453 N.W. 72nd Avenue, P.O. Box 661109, Miami Springs, FL 33266-1109

Date Revoked: May 27, 1999

Reason: Surrendered license voluntarily.

License No.: 3848

Name: Suanna Widjaja Rossi and Robert William Rossi d/b/a Neptune Forwarding Co.

Address: 2127 Kendall Way, Acworth, GA 30102

Date Revoked: June 7, 1999

Reason: Surrendered license voluntarily.

License No.: 795

Name: The Svensson Shipping Agency, Inc.

Address: 802 Garfield Avenue, Duluth, MN 55802

Date Revoked: June 17, 1999

Reason: Failed to maintain a valid bond.

License No.: 4325

Name: Trico American Air Freight & Forwarding Co.

Address: 5433 Eagle Industrial Court, Hazelwood, MO 63042

Date Revoked: June 23, 1999

Reason: Surrendered license voluntarily.

License No.: 732

Name: Universal Transport (N.J.) Corporation

Address: One Parker Plaza, Fort Lee, NJ 07024-2941

Date Revoked: June 29, 1999

Reason: Surrendered license voluntarily.

T. A. Zook,

Deputy Director, Bureau of Tariffs, Certification and Licensing.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

[Docket No. 99-15]

Notice of Investigation

Notice is given that the Commission, on August 13, 1999, served an Order of Investigation and Hearing on respondents David P. Kelly and West Indies Shipping and Trading, Inc. The Order institutes a formal investigation to determine whether respondents violated sections 8(a)(1), 10(a)(1), 19(a) and 19(b)(1) of the Shipping Act of 1984, 46 U.S.C. app. §§ 1707(a)(1), 1709(a)(1), 1718(a) and 1718(b)(1), by operating as a non-vessel-operating common carrier without a tariff on file with the Commission prior to May 1, 1999, and thereafter without a license, a publicly available tariff, a bond or other form of surety; and by providing inaccurate descriptions of cargo to ocean common carriers in order to obtain lower rates. Moreover, should violations be found, the proceeding will determine whether to impose civil penalties and, if so, in what amount, and whether to issue an appropriate cease and desist order. The full text of the Order may be viewed on the Commission's home page at www.fmc.gov, or at the Office of the Secretary, Room 1046, 800 N. Capitol Street, NW, Washington, DC. Any person may file a petition for leave to intervene in accordance with 46 CFR 502.72.

Ronald D. Murphy,

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.

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 September 13, 1999.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (Lois Berthaume, Vice President) 104 Marietta Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-2713:

1. *Community National Bancorporation*, Ashburn, Georgia; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Cumberland National Bank, St. Marys, Georgia, (in organization).

2. *Equitex, Inc.*, Englewood, Colorado; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of First TeleBanc Corporation, Boca Raton, Florida, and thereby indirectly acquire Net First National Bank, Boca Raton, Florida.

3. *Florida Business Bancgroup, Inc.*, Tampa, Florida; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Bay Cities Bank, Tampa, Florida, (in organization).

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, August 13, 1999.

Jennifer J. Johnson,

Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 98D-0374]

International Conference on Harmonisation; Guidance on Specifications: Test Procedures and Acceptance Criteria for Biotechnological/Biological Products

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is publishing a guidance entitled "Q6B Specifications: Test Procedures and Acceptance Criteria for Biotechnological/Biological Products." The guidance was prepared under the auspices of the International Conference on Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Registration of Pharmaceuticals for Human Use (ICH). The guidance provides guidance on general principles for the selection of test procedures and the setting and justification of acceptance criteria for biotechnological and biological products. The guidance is intended to assist in the establishment of a uniform set of international specifications for biotechnological and biological products to support new marketing applications.

DATES: Effective August 18, 1999.

Submit written comments at any time.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the guidance to the Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852. Copies of the guidance are available from the Drug Information Branch (HFD-210), Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301-827-4573. Single copies of the guidance may be obtained by mail from the Office of Communication, Training and Manufacturers Assistance (HFM-40), Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research (CBER), 1401 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852, or by calling the CBER Voice Information System at 1-800-835-4709 or 301-827-1800. Copies may be obtained from CBER's FAX Information System at 1-888-CBER-FAX or 301-827-3844.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Neil D. Goldman, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research (HFM-20), Food and Drug Administration, 1401 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852, 301-827-0377.