

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 November 5, 1999.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Boston (Richard Walker, Community Affairs Officer) 600 Atlantic Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts 02106-2204:

1. *Brookline Bancorp, MHC, and Brookline Bancorp, Inc.*, both of Brookline, Massachusetts, to acquire 24.9 percent of the voting shares of Medford Bancorp, Medford, Massachusetts, and thereby acquire shares of Medford Savings Bank, Medford, Massachusetts.

2. *Camden National Corporation*, Camden, Maine; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of KSB Bancorp, Inc., and Kingfield Savings Bank, both of Kingfield, Maine, and subsequently merge KSB Bancorp, Inc., with and into Camden National Corporation.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of New York (Betsy Buttrill White, Senior Vice President) 33 Liberty Street, New York, New York 10045-0001:

1. *Tompkins Trustco, Inc.*, Ithaca, New York; to merge with Letchworth Independent Bancshares Corporation, Castile, New York, and thereby indirectly acquire shares of The Bank of Castile, Castile, New York, and The Mahopac National Bank, Mahopac, New York.

C. Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond (A. Linwood Gill III, Assistant Vice President) 701 East Byrd Street, Richmond, Virginia 23261-4528:

1. *BB&T Corporation*, Winston-Salem, North Carolina; to merge with Premier Bancshares, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia, and thereby indirectly acquire Premier Bank, Atlanta, Georgia; Milton National Bank, Roswell, Georgia; Bank Atlanta, Decatur, Georgia; and Farmers & Merchant Bank, Summerville, Georgia.

D. Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis (Randall C. Sumner, Vice President) 411 Locust Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63102-2034:

1. *First Delta Bankshares, Inc.*, Blytheville, Arkansas; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of The Merchants and Planters Bank, Manila, Arkansas.

2. *St. Elizabeth Bancshares, Inc.*, St. Elizabeth, Missouri; to become a bank holding company by acquiring at least 95.0 percent of the voting shares of Bank of St. Elizabeth, St. Elizabeth, Missouri.

E. Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis (JoAnne F. Lewellen, Assistant Vice President) 90 Hennepin Avenue, P.O. Box 291, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55480-0291:

1. *First Bancshares Corporation*, Gladstone, Michigan; to acquire an additional 9.15 percent, for a total of 19.9 percent, of the voting shares of Baybank Corporation, Gladstone, Michigan, and thereby indirectly acquire Baybank, Gladstone, Michigan.

F. Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas (W. Arthur Tribble, Vice President) 2200 North Pearl Street, Dallas, Texas 75201-2272:

1. *Paradigm Bancorporation, Inc.*, Houston, Texas; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Dayton State Bank, Dayton, Texas.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, October 5, 1999.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Associate Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

Research Agenda Subcommittee of the Board of Scientific Counselors, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry: Conference Call Meeting

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) announces the following conference call meeting.

Name: Research Agenda Subcommittee of the Board of Scientific Counselors.

Time and Date: 1:30 p.m.-3 p.m., October 22, 1999.

Place: The Conference Call will originate from the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, in Atlanta, Georgia. Please see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for details on accessing the conference call.

Status: Open to the public, limited only by the availability of telephone ports.

Purpose: This subcommittee will advise the Board of Scientific Counselors and the Agency on areas of emphasis and focus for the ATSDR five-year environmental public health research agenda. The subcommittee will report jointly to the Board of Scientific Counselors and the ATSDR Associate Administrator for Science.

Matters to be Discussed: The conference call is to finalize plans for a workshop with ATSDR partners and community and tribal representatives, and continue planning efforts in the development of the ATSDR five-year environmental public health research agenda.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This conference call is scheduled to begin at 1:30 p.m., EDT. To participate in the conference call, please dial 1-800-713-1971 and enter conference code 233637. You will then be automatically connected to the call.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert F. Spengler, Sc.D., Executive Secretary, BSC, ATSDR, M/S E-28, 1600 Clifton Road, NE, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, telephone 404/639-0708.

The Director, Management Analysis and Services office has been delegated the authority to sign **Federal Register** notices pertaining to announcements of meetings and other committee management activities for both the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

Dated: October 4, 1999.

Carolyn J. Russell,

Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control And Prevention

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Proposed Data Collections Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations

In compliance with the requirement of Section 3506 (c) (2) (A) of the Paperwork reduction Act of 1995, the

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is providing opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects. To request more information on the proposed projects or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, call the CDC Reports Clearance Officer on (404) 639-7090.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques for other forms of information technology. Send comments to Seleda Perryman, CDC Assistant Reports Clearance Officer, 1600 Clifton Road, MS-D24, Atlanta, GA 30333. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Proposed Projects

1. **Silicosis, No Mas!: Evaluation of Materials Used for Outreach to Hispanic Construction Workers—New—National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)—Over 14,000 workers in the U.S. have died from silicosis and hundreds more add to the death toll each year. Silicosis is the third leading**

cause of death attributed to occupational diseases in the U.S. In the state of Texas, 300 cases of silicosis and workers exposed to silica were reported between 1990 and 1997. Among these cases, construction was one of the most frequently reported industries. Silicosis was diagnosed in workers as young as 22 years of age, and one third of the cases were found among Hispanic workers, most of whom were diagnosed with silicosis in their thirties.

Despite the alarming number of reports, few attempts have been made to educate construction workers in Texas, particularly workers of Hispanic/Latino descent. An evaluation of the outreach activities conducted during the 1996 National Campaign to Eliminate Silicosis and the Special Emphasis Program (SEP) for silicosis indicated that no effort was undertaken to meet the needs of Hispanic workers. In both events, educational outreach was directed at the mainstream industry, trade associations, employers, and labor unions. Yet, while some educational materials were directly translated into Spanish, no special efforts were directed at Hispanic workers in the course of the campaign nor in the SEP. In addition, the results of 11 focus groups recently conducted in Texas indicated that most Hispanic workers were unaware of silicosis and most knew little about the cause and health effects of silicosis. Barriers to silicosis prevention raised by the focus group participants included lack of knowledge about prevention and lack of proper protective equipment

provided by their employers. While most workers in the focus groups could read either Spanish or English, there were individuals who could not read either language. Hence, other mediums of communication, such as audio or video tapes, were recommended to reach the workers.

The goal of the overall project is to increase awareness of and information about the nature, extent, and seriousness of silica exposure, and to increase the use of appropriate engineering controls and respiratory protection among construction workers in Texas. A culturally and linguistically relevant silicosis education and prevention program targeting construction workers will be developed, implemented, and evaluated. The goal of the evaluation is to determine if culturally tailored health messages are more effective than non-culturally tailored health messages in promoting changes in knowledge, attitudes, and behaviors.

Information and data obtained from this evaluation will help direct future outreach efforts in silicosis prevention among the Hispanic population. In addition, results from this study will be used to further current understanding of the effects of cultural values in the design of safety and health messages, thereby helping future development of culturally and linguistically appropriate occupational safety and health messages tailored for the Hispanic population.

The total cost to respondents is \$3,366.00.

Respondents	Number of respondents	Number of responses/respondent	Average Burden per response (in hours)	Total burden (in hours)
Construction Workers	600	1	0.33	198
Total				198

Dated: October 4, 1999.

Nancy Cheal,

Acting Associate Director for Policy, Planning, and Evaluation, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Disease, Disability and Injury Prevention and Control Special Emphasis Panel: Research on Laboratory Markers of Recent HIV Infection

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the following meeting.

Name: Disease, Disability and Injury Prevention and Control Special Emphasis

Panel: Research on Laboratory Markers of Recent HIV Infection, Program Announcement #00007.

Times and Dates: 8 a.m.–8:30 a.m., November 4, 1999 (Open); 8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m., November 4, 1999 (Closed).

Place: CDC, Executive Park, Building 4, Conference Room 2400, Atlanta, Ga 30329.

Status: Portions of the meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with provisions set forth in section 552b(c)(4) and (6), Title 5 U.S.C., and the Determination of the Associate Director for Management and Operations, CDC, pursuant to Public Law 92-463.

Matters to be Discussed: The meeting will include the review, discussion, and evaluation of applications received in response to Program Announcement #00007.

For Further Information Contact: Beth Wolfe, Prevention Support Office, National