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 October 27, 2000, and the final decision of the Commission shall be issued by February 26, 2001.

## Bryant L. VanBrakle,

Secretary.

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#### FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

# Ocean Transportation Intermediary License Applicants

Notice is hereby given that the following applicants have filed with the Federal Maritime Commission applications for licenses as Non-Vessel Operating Common Carrier and Ocean Freight Forwarder—Ocean Transportation Intermediaries pursuant to section 19 of the Shipping Act of 1984 as amended (46 U.S.C. app. 1718 and 46 CFR 515).

Persons knowing of any reason why any of the following applicants should not receive a license are requested to contact the Office of Freight Forwarders, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, D.C. 20573.

Non-Vessel-Operating Common Carrier Ocean Transportation Intermediary Applicants:

Uni International, America Corp. d/b/a Unistar Lines, 190 Walker Street S.W., Suite 204, Atlanta, GA 30313, Officers: Joseph Schulte, President, (Qualifying Individual), Eduardo Macaluso, Vice President

General Logistics International Inc., 139 York Drive, Princeton, NJ 08540, Officer: Glenn R. Nudell, President, (Qualifying Individual)

Shipping International, 1161 Mission Street, San Francisco, CA 94103, Hossein Bolourchi, Sole Proprietor

Newmark Shipping Ltd. d/b/a R S Freight, Inc., 4455 Torrance Boulevard, Suite 848, Torrance, CA 90503, Officer: Alfred Yau, President, (Qualifying Individual)

Non-Vessel-Operating Common Carrier and Ocean Freight Forwarder Transportation Intermediary Applicants: SeaGate Logistics, Inc., 182–11 150th Road, Suite #205, Jamaica, NY 11413, Officers: Vi Hung Vuong, President, (Qualifying Individual), Renbo Lee, Secretary, Secretary

Ocean Freight Forwarders—Ocean Transportation Intermediary Applicants: All World International Shipping, Inc., 2630 NW 97th Avenue, Miami, FL 33172, Officers: Elizabeth R. Monserrate, (Qualifying Individual), Alexandra Gayraud, President Arrowpak, Inc., 2240 74th Street, North

Bergen, NJ 09047, Officers: Walter J. Kenney, Vice President, (Qualifying Individual), Paul S. Doherty, Jr., President

Dated: October 29, 1999.

## Bryant L. VanBrakle,

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 November 26, 1999.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland (Paul Kaboth, Banking Supervisor) 1455 East Sixth Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44101-2566:

1. Rockhold-Brown Bancshares, Inc., Bainbridge, Ohio; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of The Rock-Hold Brown & Company Bank, Bainbridge, Ohio.

2. United Bancshares, Inc., Columbus Grove, Ohio; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of The Bank of Leipsic Company, Leipsic, Ohio.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, October 28, 1999.

#### Robert deV. Frierson,

Associate Secretary of the Board. [FR Doc. 99–28660 Filed 11–2–99; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6210–01–F

## FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

# Notice of Proposals to Engage in Permissible Nonbanking Activities or to Acquire Companies that are Engaged in Permissible Nonbanking Activities

The companies listed in this notice have given notice under section 4 of the Bank Holding Company Act (12 U.S.C. 1843) (BHC Act) and Regulation Y (12 CFR Part 225), to engage de novo, or to acquire or control voting securities or assets of a company, including the companies listed below, that engages either directly or through a subsidiary or other company, in a nonbanking activity that is listed in § 225.28 of Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.28) or that the Board has determined by Order to be closely related to banking and permissible for bank holding companies. Unless otherwise noted, these activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

Each notice is available for inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notice also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the question whether the proposal complies with the standards of section 4 of the BHC Act.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding the applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than November 17, 1999.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco (Maria Villanueva, Manager of Analytical Support, Consumer Regulation Group) 101 Market Street, San Francisco, California 94105-1579:

1. Banque Nationale de Paris, and Paribas, both of Paris, France; to acquire Paribas Corporation, New York, New York, and thereby indirectly acquire Paribas Asset Management, Inc., New York, New York, and Paribas Futures, Inc., New York, New York, and thereby engage in underwriting and dealing to a limited extent in all types of equity securities and debt securities that a member bank may not underwrite or deal in, see First Security Corporation, 85 Fed Res. Bull. 207 (1999); in acting as investment or financial advisor to any person, pursuant to § 224.28(b)(6) of Regulation Y; in providing securities brokerage services and incidental activities, as agent for the account of customers, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(7)(i) of Regulation Y; in buying and selling in the secondary market all types of securities on the order of customers as a riskless principal, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(7)(ii) of Regulation Y; in acting as agent in the private placement of all types of securities, including providing related advisory services, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(7)(iii) of Regulation Y; in providing to customers as agent transactional services, pursuant to  $\S 225.28(b)(7)(v)$  of Regulation Y; in engaging as principal in underwriting and dealing in governmental obligations and money market instruments, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(8)(i) of Regulation Y; in investing and trading in: foreign exchange, and forward contracts, options, futures, options on futures, swaps and similar contracts, whether traded on exchanges or not, based on any rate, price, financial asset, nonfinancial asset or group of assets, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(8)(ii) of Regulation Y; in making, acquiring, brokering or servicing loans or other extensions of credit for its own account or for the account of others, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(1) of Regulation Y; in engaging in asset management, servicing and collection of assets of a type that an insured depository institution may originate and own, pursuant to § 225.25(b)(2)(vi) of Regulation Y; in acquiring debt that is in default at the time of acquisition, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(2)(vii) of Regulation Y; in acting as a futures commission merchant in the execution, clearance, or execution and clearance of futures contracts and options on futures contracts, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(7)(iv) of Regulation Y; in engaging as principal in certain forward contracts, options, futures, options on futures, swaps and similar contracts, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(8)(ii)(B) or (C) of Regulation Y; and in serving as the investment advisor to and the general partner of, and holding and placing equity interests in, certain investment funds which invest only in securities and other instruments which Notificant would be permitted to hold directly under the Bank Holding Company Act, including acting as a commodity pool operator for private investment funds organized as commodity pools, *see Dresdner Bank AG*, 84 Fed. Res. Bull. 361 (1998).

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, October 28, 1999.

#### Robert deV. Frierson,

Associate Secretary of the Board.
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# FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

#### Sunshine Act Meeting

**AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:** Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

TIME AND DATE: 11:00 a.m., Monday, November 8, 1999.

**PLACE:** Marriner S. Eccles Federal Reserve Board Building, 20th and C Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20551.

STATUS: Closed.

### MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

- 1. Personnel actions (appointments, promotions, assignments, reassignments, and salary actions) involving individual Federal Reserve System employees.
- 2. Any items carried forward from a previously announced meeting.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Lynn S. Fox, Assistant to the Board; 202–452–3204.

supplementary information: You may call 202–452–3206 beginning at approximately 5 p.m. two business days before the meeting for a recorded announcement of bank and bank holding company applications scheduled for the meeting; or you may contact the Board's Web site at http://www.federalreserve.gov for an electronic announcement that not only lists applications, but also indicates procedural and other information about the meeting.

Dated: October 29, 1999.

## Robert deV. Frierson,

Associate Secretary of the Board. [FR Doc. 99–28789 Filed 10–29–99; 4:44 pm] BILLING CODE 6210–01–P

# GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

# Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement

The United States General Services Administration intends to prepare an Environment Impact Statement (EIS) on the following project:

Federal Building—U.S. Courthouse, San Jose, California

Proposed Action: The United States General Services Administration is planning the construction of a new U.S. Courthouse in the Central Business District of San Jose, California. This construction is intended to accommodate the need of the Courts for expanded courtroom and office space. The building will house the U.S. Courts and other Court related agencies currently located in the Robert F. Peckham Federal Building Courthouse and in leased locations.

# Alternatives to the Proposed Action Include

- A. Construction of new facility on the site located within the Central Business District of San Jose and comprised of a full city block bounded by East St. James Street, North First Street, North Market Street and Divine Street. This action may entail demolition of existing structures.
- B. Construction of a new facility on the site located within the Central Business District of San Jose and comprised of the northeastern half of the block bounded by East Santa Clara Street, North Fourth Street, East St. John Street, and North Third Street. This action may entail demolition of an existing structure.
- C. Construction of a new facility on the site located within the Central Business District of San Jose and comprised by a full city block bounded by East San Carlos Street, East San Salvador Street, South First Street, and South Second Street. This site is immediately adjacent to the south of the Robert F. Peckham Federal Building and Courthouse. This action may entail demolition of an existing structure.
- D. Construction of a new facility on the site located within the Central Business District of San Jose and comprised of a full city block bounded by West Santa Clara Street, North Market Street, West St. John Street, and North First Street. This action may entail demolition of an existing structure.
- E. No action: Space for the U.S. Courts' functions will continue to be provided in the current facilities. The