

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, February 8, 2007.

**Jennifer J. Johnson,**

*Secretary of the Board.*

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## 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. Additional information on all bank holding companies may be obtained from the National Information Center website at <http://www.ffiec.gov/nic/>.

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 February 28, 2007.

**A. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta** (Andre Anderson, Vice President) 1000 Peachtree Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30309:

1. *Appalachian Bancshares, Inc.*, Ellijay, Georgia; to acquire Appalachian Community Bank, F.S.B., McCaysville, Georgia, and thereby engage in operating a savings association, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(4)(ii) of Regulation Y. Comments regarding this application must be received by March 9, 2007.

2. *Coastal Community Investments, Inc.*, Panama City Beach, Florida; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Bayside Financial Corporation, and thereby indirectly acquire Bayside

Savings Bank, both of Port St. Joe, Florida, and engage in operating a savings association, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(4)(ii) of Regulation Y. Comments regarding this application must be received by March 9, 2007.

**B. Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis** (Jacqueline G. King, Community Affairs Officer) 90 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55480-0291:

1. *State Bankshares Inc.*, Fargo, North Dakota; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Passport Benefit Solutions, L.L.C., Minnetonka, Minnesota, and thereby engage in employee benefits consulting services and related data processing, pursuant to sections 225.28(b)(9)(ii) and 225.28(b)(14)(i) of Regulation Y.

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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:** 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 20, 2007.

**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.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michelle Smith, Director, or Dave Skidmore, Assistant to the Board, Office of Board Members at 202-452-2955.

**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.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, February 9, 2007.

**Robert deV. Frierson,**

*Deputy Secretary of the Board.*

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## FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT BOARD

### Sunshine Act; Notice of Meeting

**TIME AND DATE:** 9 a.m. (EST). February 20, 2007.

**PLACE:** 4th Floor Conference Room, 1250 H Street, NW., Washington, DC.

**STATUS:** Parts will be open to the public and parts closed to the public.

#### MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

##### Parts Open to the Public

1. Approval of the minutes of the January 16, 2007 Board member meeting
2. Thrift Savings Plan activity report by the Executive Director
3. Dept. of Labor Reports
  - a. Clintwood Call Center
  - b. Pittsburgh Backup/Recovery Site
4. Dept. of Labor/KPMG Annual Audit Report
5. Annual Participant Statements
6. Communications and Operations Report

##### Parts Closed to the Public

7. Personnel

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Thomas J. Trabucco, Director, Office of External Affairs, (202) 942-1640.

Dated: February 9, 2007.

**Thomas K. Emswiler,**

*Secretary to the Board, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board.*

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## FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

### Granting of Request for Early Termination of the Waiting Period Under the Premerger Notification Rules

Section 7A of the Clayton Act, 15 U.S.C. as added by Title II of the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, requires persons contemplating certain mergers or acquisitions to give the Federal Trade Commission and the Assistant Attorney General advance notice and to wait designated periods before consummation of such plans. Section 7 A(b)(2) of the Act permits the agencies, in individual cases, to terminate this

waiting period prior to its expiration and requires that notice of this action be published in the **Federal Register**.

The following transactions were granted early termination of the waiting

period provided by law and the premerger notification rules. The grants were made by the Federal Trade Commission and the Assistant Attorney General for the Antitrust Division of the

Department of Justice. Neither agency intends to take any action with respect to these proposed acquisitions during the applicable waiting period.

Trans. No.	Acquiring	Acquired	Entities
<b>TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—01/23/2007</b>			
20070377 .....	Northrop Grumman Corporation .....	Essex Corporation .....	Essex Corporation.
20070522 .....	Wintergames Holdings SARL .....	Oak Hill Capital Partners, L.P. ....	Steamboat Ski & Resort Corporation.
20070574 .....	On Assignment, Inc. ....	Oxford Global Resources, Inc. ....	Oxford Global Resources, Inc.
20070594 .....	QBE Insurance Group Limited .....	HDI Haftpflichtverband der Deutschen Industrie VaG.	Praetorian Financial Group, Inc.
20070600 .....	Cisco Systems, Inc. ....	IronPort Systems, Inc. ....	ironPort Systems, Inc.
20070602 .....	American Securities Partners IV, L.P. ....	NEP, Inc. ....	NEP, Inc.
20070604 .....	Elder Health, Inc. ....	Health Partners of Philadelphia, Inc. ....	Health Partners of Philadelphia, Inc.
20070616 .....	Ripplewood Partners II, L.P. ....	Ripplewood Partners, L.P. ....	WRC Media, Inc.
20070620 .....	D.E. Shaw Composite International Fund.	Foamex International, Inc. ....	Foamex International, Inc.
20070621 .....	The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. ....	Foamex International, Inc. ....	Foamex International, Inc.
<b>TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—01/24/2007</b>			
20070539 .....	American Capital Strategies, Ltd. ....	Explorer Pipeline Company, Inc. ....	CITGO Pipeline Holding I, LLC.
20070561 .....	Seminole Hard Rock Entertainment, Inc	The Rank Group Plc .....	Rank America, Inc.
			Rank Group Holdings Limited.
			Rank Holding Espana SA.
			Rank Holdings (France) SA.
			Rank Holdings (Germany) GmbH.
			Rank Holdings (Netherlands) BV.
			Rank Leisure Holdings Limited.
			Rank Overseas Holdings Limited.
			Rank (UK) Holdings Limited.
20070571 .....	KAR Holdings II, LLC .....	ADESA, Inc. ....	ADESA, Inc.
20070591 .....	Macquarie Infrastructure Company Trust	David G. Price .....	Aviation Contract Services, Inc.
			Superman of Stewart, LLC.
			Supermarine Aviation, Limited.
			Supermarine Investors, Inc.
			Supermarine of Santa Monica, a California Limited Partnership.
			Supermarine of Stewart, LLC.
20070592 .....	Macquarie Infrastructure Company Trust	Dallas Price-Van Breda .....	Aviation Contract Services, Inc.
			Supermarine Aviation, Limited.
			Supermarine Investors, Inc.
			Supermarine of Santa Monica, a California Ltd. Partnership.
			Supermarine of Stewart, LLC.
20070603 .....	BG Group plc .....	Lake Road Holding Company, LLC .....	Lake Road Generating Company, LP.
20080605 .....	Arlington Capital Partners II, L.P. ....	Michael W. Major .....	Cambridge Major Laboratories, Inc.
20070613 .....	Airline Partners Australia Fund .....	Qantas Airways Limited .....	Qantas Airways Limited.
<b>TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—01/25/2007</b>			
20070390 .....	Knight Holdco LLC .....	Kinder Morgan, Inc. ....	Kinder Morgan, Inc.
20070578 .....	KGen Power Corporation .....	MatlinPatterson Global Opportunities Partners II, L.P.	KGen Partners LLC.
20070584 .....	Mittal Steel Company N.V. ....	Julio Cesar Villarreal Guajardo .....	BSRM Holdings, Inc.
			Servicios Operativos del Centro, S.A. de C.V.
			Siderurgica Lazaro Cardenas las Truchas, S.A. de C.V.
			V.I. Holding, Inc.
20070589 .....	MPBP Holdings Inc. ....	Three Cities Offshore II, C.V. ....	Cohr Holdings, Inc.
<b>TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—01/26/2007</b>			
20070555 .....	Kennametal Inc. ....	Federal Signal Corporation .....	Clapp Dico Corporation.
			Manchester Tool Company.
20070562 .....	Schering-Plough Corporation .....	ALK-Abello A/S .....	On Time Machining Company.
20070565 .....	Bridgestone Corporation .....	Bandag, Incorporated .....	ALK-Abello A/S.
20070590 .....	Jolly Roger Offshore Fund, LTD .....	Hilton Hotels Corporation .....	Bandag, Incorporated.
			Hilton Hotels Corporation.

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<b>TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—01/30/2007</b>			
20070587 .....	Berkshire Hathaway, Inc .....	Paul E. Andrews, Jr. ....	CJE, Inc. Mouser Electronics, Inc. TTI, Inc.
20070628 .....	Stifel Financial Corp .....	BFC Financial Corporation .....	Ryan Beck Holdings, Inc.
20070629 .....	BFC Financial Corporation .....	Stifel Financial Corp .....	Stifel Financial Corp.
20070633 .....	Oak Hill Capital Partners II, L.P .....	The New York Times Company .....	KAUT-TV, LLC. New York Times Management Services. NYT Broadcast Holdings, LLC. NYT Holdings, Inc. Integrated Alarm Services Group, Inc. DBT GmbH. G.I. Joe's, Inc. United Surgical Partners International, Inc. TSEI Holdings, Inc. JetStar Consolidated Holdings, Inc. Anadarko Gathering Company.
20070644 .....	Quadrangle Capital Partners LP .....	Integrated Alarm Services Group, Inc ....	
20070646 .....	Bucyrus International, Inc .....	RAG Akiengesellschaft .....	
20070647 .....	Gryphon Partners III, L.P .....	Norm Daniels .....	
20070648 .....	Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe X, L.P.	United Surgical Partners International, Inc.	
20070649 .....	Brockway Moran & Partners Fund II, L.P	Odyssey Investment Partners Fund, L.P	
20070652 .....	Basic Energy Services, Inc .....	JetStar Consolidated Holdings, Inc .....	
20070656 .....	EXCO Resources, Inc .....	Anadarko Petroleum Corporation .....	
<b>TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—01/31/2007</b>			
20070607 .....	The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc .....	He Xiangjian .....	GuangDong Midea Electric Appliances Co., Ltd. Guangdong Province, People's Republic of China. Media Industrial City, Shunde, Foshan.
20070609 .....	FR XI Offshore AIV., L.P .....	Brand Holdings, LLC .....	Brand Energy & Infrastructure Services, Inc.
20070625 .....	Nucor Corporation .....	Harris Steel Group, Inc .....	Harris Steel Group, Inc.
20070626 .....	WLR Recovery Fund II, L.P .....	WLR Recovery Fund III, L.P .....	BST US Holdings, Inc.
20070640 .....	Financiere Daunou 12 .....	Lafarge, S.A. ....	Clay Tiles Holdings Inc. Lafarge Roofing Holdings Inc. MonierLifetile LLC. Tile Service Company LLC.
<b>TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—02/02/2007</b>			
20070381 .....	Jefferson Health Systems, Inc .....	Riddle Health System .....	Riddle Healthcare Associates. Riddle Health Care Services. Riddle Memorial Hospital. Riddle System Services. RMH Physician Services. Excell Materials, Inc.
20070569 .....	Harsco Corpration .....	William Blair Mezzanine Capital Fund III, L.P.	
20070608 .....	Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe X, L.P.	Spectrum Equity Investors IV, L.P .....	CBD Investor, Inc.  CBD Media, LLC. c/o CBD Investor, Inc.
20070653 .....	Advent OXO (Cayman) Limited .....	Celanese Corporation .....	Celanese Chemicals Europe GmbH. Celanese Ltd. European Oxo Chemicals GmbH. Infraserv GmbH & Co. Ticona Polymers, Inc.
20070658 .....	Warburg Pincus Equity IX, L.P .....	Dominion Resources, Inc .....	Armstrong Energy Limited Partnership, LLP. Dominion Armstrong Services Company, Inc. Dominion Pleasants Services Company, Inc. Dominion Troy Services Company, Inc. Pleasants Energy, LLC. Troy Energy, LLC.
20070659 .....	Time Warner, Inc .....	Sci Entertainment Group Plc .....	Sci Entertainment Group Plc.
20070661 .....	B.S.A .....	Mozzarella Fresca, Incorporated .....	Mozzarella Fresca, Incorporated.
20070663 .....	Knology, Inc .....	PrairieWave Holdings, Inc .....	PrairieWave Holdings, Inc.
20070667 .....	Macquarie Bank Limited .....	American Consolidated Media, L.P .....	American Consolidated Media, Inc. Valley Newspaper Holdings, L.P.
20070668 .....	Tinicum Capital Partners II, L.P .....	Enesco Group, Inc .....	Enesco Group, Inc.
20070670 .....	Cenveo, Inc .....	The Huron Fund LP .....	PC Ink Corp.
20070672 .....	Leucadia National Corporation .....	Samer Tawfik .....	Dialaround Enterprises, Inc. Phonecard Enterprises, Inc. STI Mobile, Inc. STI PCS, LLC.

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20070674 .....	GS Capital Partners VI, L.P .....	USI Holdings Corporation .....	STi Phonecard, Inc. Telco Group, Inc. VOIP Enterprises Inc. USI Holdings Corporation.

**TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—02/05/2007**

20070516 .....	GlaxoSmithKline plc .....	Genmab A/S .....	Genmab A/S.
20070580 .....	Cenveo, Inc .....	Cadmus Communications Corporation ...	Cadmus Communications Corporation.
20070611 .....	Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe VIII, L.P.	Windstream Corporation .....	Windstream Regatta Holdings.
20070612 .....	Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe IX, L.P.	Windstream Corporation .....	Windstream Regatta Holdings.
20070654 .....	Roche Holding Ltd .....	Seattle Genetics, Inc .....	Seattle Genetics, Inc.
20070677 .....	Citigroup, Inc .....	ABN AMRO Holding N.V .....	AAMBG Reinsurance, Inc. ABN AMRO Mortgage Corporation. ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc. Mortgage Group Reinsurance, Ltd. Telesat Canada.
20070686 .....	4363205 Canada, Inc .....	BCE, Inc .....	

**TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—02/06/2007**

20070639 .....	Intuit, Inc .....	Electronic Clearing House, Inc .....	Electronic Clearing House, Inc.
20070689 .....	B&G Foods, Inc .....	Altria Group, Inc .....	COWC Acquisition Corp. Kraft Foods Global, Inc.

**TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—02/07/2007**

20070615 .....	eBay, Inc .....	StubHub, Inc .....	StubHub, Inc.
20070682 .....	Redpoint Ventures I, L.P .....	BigBand Networks, Inc .....	BigBand Networks, Inc.
20070685 .....	FIF III Liberty Holdings LLC .....	SureWest Communications .....	SureWest Directories.

*For Further Information Contact:*  
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By direction of the Commission.

**Donald S. Clark,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality Agency Information Collection Activities

#### Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, Department of Health and Human Services.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the intention of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) to request that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) allow the proposed information collection project: "Pilot

Study of Proposed Nursing Home Survey on Resident Safety." In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), AHRQ invites the public to comment on this proposed information collection.

This proposed information collection was previously published in the **Federal Register** on December 12th, 2006 and allowed 60 days for public comment. No public comments were received. The purpose of this notice is to allow an additional 30 days for public comment.

**DATES:** Comments on this notice must be received by March 15, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be submitted to: Doris Lefkowitz, Reports Clearance Officer, AHRQ, 540 Gaither Road, Room #5036, Rockville, MD 20850, or by e-mail at [doris.lefkowitz@ahrq.hhs.gov](mailto:doris.lefkowitz@ahrq.hhs.gov).

Copies of the proposed collection plans, data collection instruments, and specific details on the estimated burden can be obtained from AHRQ's Reports Clearance Officer.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Doris Lefkowitz, AHRQ, Reports Clearance Officer, (301) 427-1477.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### Proposed Project

##### *"Pilot Study of Proposed Nursing Home Survey on Resident Safety"*

The activity is an expansion and refinement of AHRQ's Hospital Survey on Patient Safety Culture (HSOPSC) which was developed and released to the public for use in November 2004. This proposed new tool is based on the HSOPSC but also contains new and revised items as well as dimensions that more accurately apply to the nursing home setting. The instrument will be pilot tested with staff in 40 nursing homes. The data collected will be analyzed to determine the psychometric properties of the survey's items and dimensions and provide information for the revision and shortening of the final survey based on an assessment of its reliability and construct validity. The final survey will be made publicly available to enable nursing homes to assess their resident safety culture.

#### Methods of Collection

A purposive sample of 40 nursing homes will be recruited and selected. These nursing homes will represent a distribution of bed size, nature of ownership (non-profit/for-profit), urbanicity (urban/rural), and geographic region of the United States. Recruited nursing homes will be allocated to each category in numbers roughly