polling to determine whether there are more neutral and reliable ways to elicit the information sought. The commenter further suggested that the FDIC eliminate failure to provide check cashing services as a possible answer to questions probing the reasons a respondent does not have or has closed an account.

The commenter also suggested that the FDIC expand the survey, to elicit more detailed information in a number of areas, including the attitudes of the unbanked toward financial education opportunities; the reasons some consumers prefer to operate on a cash basis; what consumers like and dislike about payroll cards and other pre-paid products and the extent to which users of such products tend to be interested in opening checking or savings accounts; and the extent to which price and other factors affect the choices made by unbanked consumers when shopping for financial products and services. Finally, the commenter noted that the survey does not include questions of a demographic nature such as the respondent's age, education, income, line of work, ethnicity, or how long he or she has resided in the country. The commenter, therefore, requested that the FDIC incorporate demographic questions into the survey or clarify that such questions will be included as part of the regularly scheduled questions asked by census takers.

In its development of the survey questions for the National Survey of Unbanked and Underbanked Households, the FDIC attempted to balance its statutory mandate to identify the factors that appear to prevent unbanked individuals from establishing accounts with insured depository institutions and the demographic characteristics of the unbanked population against the need to minimize burden on respondents. To achieve this balance and to ensure that the questions were structured in a way to minimize bias, the FDIC consulted with a nationally recognized polling firm with expert credentials in qualitative and quantitative research and analysis. The FDIC also worked closely with a cognitive testing expert on the faculty of the University of Connecticut and with staff of the Census Bureau's Demographic Surveys Division and the Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics. After two rounds of cognitive testing with corresponding adjustments to survey questions, the FDIC is confident that the survey questions are structured in a way that minimizes possible skewing of survey results.

With respect to suggested deletion of failure to provide check cashing services

as a potential response to questions seeking information on the reasons for not having or closing an account, the FDIC is aware that such services are usually extended to bank customers. However, provision of such services to account holders is not always the case and, in many instances, may be restricted by several factors such as account standing and the institution on which the check is drawn. Therefore, the FDIC believes that failure to provide check cashing services is a valid response option for questions seeking to determine the reasons for not having or closing an account.

Regarding the suggestion that the FDIC expand the survey to elicit more detailed information in a variety of areas, the FDIC agrees that the utility of the survey would be enhanced by the addition of questions that would provide more depth on factors underlying consumer choices and preferences with respect to financial products and services. However, the FDIC is constrained by Census Bureau limits on the length of the survey. Perhaps these issues can be explored in future survey efforts.

On the demographic issues raised by the commenter, the FDIC has clarified that demographic information about respondents is collected by the Current Population Survey, eliminating the need for such questions to be included in the supplemental survey.

Request for Comment

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether these collections of information are necessary for the proper performance of the FDIC's functions, including whether the information has practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the estimate of the burden of the information collections, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collections on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated at Washington, DC, this 19th day of August, 2008.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Robert E. Feldman,

Executive Secretary.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

Correction

In notice document E8–17716 beginning on page 45222 in the issue of Monday, August 4, 2008, make the following correction:

On page 45223, in the first column, under **DATES:**, in the second line, "September 30, 2008" should read "October 3, 2008".

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Change in Bank Control Notices; Acquisition of Shares of Bank or Bank Holding Companies

The notificants listed below have applied under the Change in Bank Control Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)) and § 225.41 of the Board's Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.41) to acquire a bank or bank holding company. The factors that are considered in acting on the notices are set forth in paragraph 7 of the Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)(7)).

The notices are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notices also will be available for inspection at the office of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing to the Reserve Bank indicated for that notice or to the offices of the Board of Governors. Comments must be received not later than September 9, 2008.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City (Todd Offenbacker, Assistant Vice President) 1 Memorial Drive, Kansas City, Missouri 64198–0001:

1. Steven J. Buchanan, Omaha, Nebraska, as a member of Wilber Co. Voting Trust; to retain control of Wilber Co., both of Wilber, Nebraska, parent of First State Bank, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, August 19, 2008.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.
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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 applications 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. Additional information on all bank holding companies may be obtained from the National Information Center website at www.ffiec.gov/nic/.

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 18, 2008.

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

- 1. Bank of America Corporation, and NB Holdings Corporation, both of Charlotte, North Carolina; to acquire 100 percent of the voting securities of Bank of America Illinois, National Association, Chicago, Illinois (in organization), and Bank of America Michigan, National Association, Troy, Michigan (in organization).
- **B. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta** (Steve Foley, Vice President) 1000 Peachtree Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30309:
- 1. Piedmont Bancorp, Inc., Norcross, Georgia; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the outstanding shares of First Choice Community Bank 1874, Newnan, Georgia.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, August 19, 2008.

Robert deV. Frierson.

Deputy 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 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 September 9, 2008.

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

1. Banco de Sabadell, S.A., Sabadell, Spain, and its subsidiary, TransAtlantic Holding Corp., Miami, Florida; to engage de novo in making, acquiring, brokering or servicing loans or other extensions of credit through a newlyformed subsidiary, Interstate Property Holdings, LLC, Miami, Florida, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(1) of Regulation Y.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, August 19, 2008.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board. [FR Doc. E8–19526 Filed 8–21–08; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6210–01–S

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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Agency Information Collection Request; 30-Day Public Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HHS. In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Secretary (OS), Department of Health and Human Services, is publishing the following summary of a proposed collection for public comment. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

To obtain copies of the supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, e-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and OS document identifier, to Sherette.funncoleman@hhs.gov, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (202) 690–5683. Send written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections within 30 days of this notice directly to the OS OMB Desk Officer; faxed to OMB at 202–395–6974...

Proposed Project: Trends in U.S. Public Awareness of Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities (1999–2008)—New-Office of Minority Health (OMH).

Abstract: The proposed survey seeks to collect data for one of OMH's annual performance measures, approved by OMB in February 2007, following Office of Management and Budget (OMB)'s examination of OMH using the Program Assessment Rating Tool (PART). This measure is to "increase awareness of