Title: NYK/WWL South America Space Charter Agreement.

Parties: Nippon Yusen Kaisha (''NYK'') and Wallenius Wilhelmsen Lines AS (''WWL'').

Filing Party: Wayne R. Rohde, Esq.; Sher & Blackwell LLP; 1850 M Street, NW.; Suite 900; Washington, DC 20036.

Synopsis: The amendment changes WWL's name to Wallenius Wilhelmsen Logistics AS and updates WWL's address.

Agreement No.: 011820–001.

Title: WWL/WLS Space Charter Agreement.

Parties: Wallenius Wilhelmsen Lines AS (''WWL'') and World Logistics Service (U.S.A.), Inc. (''WLS'').

Filing Party: Wayne R. Rohde, Esq.; Sher & Blackwell LLP; 1850 M Street, NW.; Suite 900; Washington, DC 20036.

Synopsis: The amendment changes WWL's name to Wallenius Wilhelmsen Logistics AS and updates WWL's address.

Agreement No.: 011836–001.

Title: WWL/K-Line Americas Space Charter Agreement.

Parties: Kawasaki Kisen Kaisha, Ltd. (''K-Line'') and Wallenius Wilhelmsen Lines AS (''WWL'').

Filing Party: Wayne R. Rohde, Esq.; Sher & Blackwell LLP; 1850 M Street, NW.; Suite 900; Washington, DC 20036.

Synopsis: The amendment changes WWL's name to Wallenius Wilhelmsen Logistics AS and updates WWL's address.

Agreement No.: 011848–002.

Title: WWL/K-Line Transatlantic Space Charter Agreement.

Parties: Kawasaki Kisen Kaisha, Ltd. (''K-Line'') and Wallenius Wilhelmsen Lines AS (''WWL'').

Filing Party: Wayne R. Rohde, Esq.; Sher & Blackwell LLP; 1850 M Street, NW.; Suite 900; Washington, DC 20036.

Synopsis: The amendment changes WWL's name to Wallenius Wilhelmsen Logistics AS and updates WWL's address.

By Order of the Federal Maritime Commission.

Dated: January 6, 2006.

Karen V. Gregory,

Assistant 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 an application for license as a Non-Vessel—Operating Common Carrier and Ocean Freight Forwarder—Ocean Transportation Intermediary pursuant to section 19 of the Shipping Act of 1984 as amended (46 U.S.C. app. 1718 and 46 CFR part 515).

Persons knowing of any reason why the following applicants should not receive a license are requested to contact the Office of Transportation Intermediaries, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, DC 20573.

Non-Vessel—Operating Common Carrier Ocean Transportation Intermediary Applicant

Cargo Honduras, Inc., 13746 N Nebraska Avenue, Tampa, FL 33613, Officers: Fredy J. Starkman, President (Qualifying Individual), Rebecca Starkman, Vice President.

Non-Vessel—Operating Common Carrier and Ocean Freight Forwarder Transportation Intermediary Applicants

Global Freight Forwarders Inc., 72 Sharp Street, Suite C11, Hingham, MA 02043, Officers: Paul F. Kalita, Executive Vice President (Qualifying Individual), John M. Rooney, President.

Liberty Container Line, Inc., 600 Inwood Avenue North, Suite 160, Oakdale, MN 55128, Officers: Brad Heier, President (Qualifying Individual), Kenji Go, Director.

Ocean Freight Forwarder—Ocean Transportation Intermediary Applicants

Transglobal Logistics Inc., 200 Middlesex Essex Turnpike, Suite 200, Iselin, NJ 08830, Officers: Allan Joseph Couto, Secretary (Qualifying Individual), Ajay Sehgal, Director.

Transworld Auto, Inc., 5215 Stone Croft Trail, Atlanta, GA 30331, Officer: Jamal Kader, President (Qualifying Individual).

Dated: January 6, 2006.

Karen V. Gregory,

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. Additional information on all bank holding companies may be obtained from the National Information Center Web site at *http://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 February 6, 2006.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Boston (Richard Walker, Community Affairs Officer) P.O. Box 55882, Boston, Massachusetts 02106-2204:

1. Meridian Interstate Bancorp, Inc., East Boston, Massachusetts; to become a holding company by acquiring East Boston Savings Bank, Boston, Massachusetts.

In connection with this application Meridian Financial Services, Inc., East Boston, Massachusetts, has applied to acquire Meridian Interstate Bancorp, Inc.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, January 6, 2006.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT BOARD

Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND DATE: 9 a.m. (EDT) January 17, 2006.

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 December 19, 2005, Board member meeting.
2. Thrift Savings Plan activity report by the Executive Director.
3. Ennis Knupp presentation.
4. Investment policy quarterly review.
5. Quarterly Vendor Financial Statement report.
6. Review of DOL audit report.

Employee Benefits Security Administration Review of the Thrift Savings Plan July 2004 Loan Program Changes, dated August 24, 2005, and Executive Director's response.

Parts Closed to the Public

7. Internal personnel matters.

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

Dated: January 6, 2006.

Elizabeth S. Woodruff,

Secretary to the Board, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

[Docket No. 2005N–0510]

Anti-Counterfeit Drug Initiative Workshop and Vendor Display

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice of public workshop and vendor display.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing a public workshop and vendor display on the use of electronic track and trace technology to combat counterfeit drugs. The purpose of the meeting is as follows: To identify incentives for widespread adoption of radio-frequency identification (RFID), as well as obstacles to the adoption of RFID across the U.S. drug supply chain and possible solutions to those obstacles; to solicit comment on the implementation of the pedigree requirements of the Prescription Drug Marketing Act (PDMA) and the use of an electronic pedigree (e-pedigree); and to learn the state of technology development related to electronic track and trace and e-pedigree technology solutions.

To address these issues, we are inviting interested individuals, organizations, and other stakeholders to present information to FDA's Counterfeit Drug Task Force. We are also inviting vendors of track and trace technologies and e-pedigree solutions relevant to the drug distribution system to display their products for the educational benefit of FDA and attendees. (For this meeting, we are only interested in displays from vendors of track and trace technology and e-pedigree solutions for the PDMA requirement, as opposed to covert or overt counterfeiting technologies, such as holograms or color-shifting inks.)

DATES AND TIMES: The public workshop and vendor display will be held on February 8 and 9, 2006, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. See section V of this document for information on how to register to attend, present at the workshop, or participate in the vendor display. If you would like to present at the workshop or participate in the vendor display, you must register by January 27, 2006.

We are opening a docket to receive your written or electronic comments. Written or electronic comments must be submitted to the docket at the address below by February 24, 2006.

ADDRESSES: The public workshop and vendor display will be held at Holiday Inn Select Bethesda, 8120 Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda, MD 20814.

Submit electronic comments to *http://www.fda.gov/dockets/ecomments*. Submit written comments to Division of Dockets Management (HFA–305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852. All comments should be identified with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

For information about this document: Poppy Kendall, Food and Drug Administration (HF–11), 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301–827–3360, FAX: 301–594–6777, e-mail: *poppy.kendall@fda.gov*.

For information about registration or if you need special accommodations due to a disability: Isabelle Howes, Graduate School, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 490 L'Enfant Plaza, Promenade Level, suite 710, Washington, DC 20024, 202–314–4713, FAX: 202–479–6801, e-mail: *Isabelle_Howes@grad.usda.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Why Are We Holding a Public Workshop and Vendor Display?

On February 18, 2004, we issued a report entitled ''*Combating Counterfeit Drugs: A Report of the Food and Drug Administration*'' (Counterfeit Drug Report) (*http://www.fda.gov/oc/initiatives/counterfeit/report02_04.html*). This comprehensive report highlights several measures that can be taken to better protect Americans from counterfeit drugs. These measures address a range of critical areas:

- Securing the actual drug product, its packaging, and the movement of the product as it travels through the U.S. drug distribution chain;
- Enhancing regulatory oversight and enforcement;
- Increasing penalties for counterfeiters;
- Heightening vigilance and awareness of counterfeit drugs; and
- Increasing international collaboration.

We issued an update to the Counterfeit Drug Report in May 2005. (See *http://www.fda.gov/oc/initiatives/counterfeit/update2005.html*).

We have worked with manufacturers, wholesalers, pharmacies, consumer groups, technology specialists, standard-setting bodies, State and Federal agencies, international governmental entities, and others to advance the measures outlined in the Counterfeit Drug Report.

In the Counterfeit Drug Report, we stated that adoption and widespread use of reliable track and trace technology is feasible by 2007. We stated that, if properly implemented, this technology would help secure the integrity of the supply chain by providing an accurate drug ''pedigree,'' an electronic record (also known as an ''e-pedigree'') documenting the distribution of the drug from the point of manufacture to the final dispenser. We particularly supported the implementation of electronic track and trace mechanisms and noted that RFID is the most promising technology to meet this need. RFID technology involves tagging the drug product package with a tiny radio frequency chip containing essential data in the form of an electronic product code (EPC) or unique electronic serial number. If implemented properly, RFID could allow supply chain stakeholders to track the chain of custody (or pedigree) of every package of medication through every step of the supply chain. A unique electronic serial number could also be embedded in some types of barcodes.

As discussed further in this document, we have delayed the effective date of certain regulations related to the PDMA until December 1, 2006. We delayed the effective date in 2004 in order to give stakeholders in the drug supply chain time to focus on implementing widespread use of e-pedigree across the drug supply chain