

2. To a Federal agency, in response to its request, in connection with the hiring or retention of an employee, the issuance of a security clearance, the reporting of an investigation of an employee, the letting of a contract, or the issuance of license, grant or other benefit by the requesting agency, to the extent that the information is relevant and necessary to the requesting agency's decision in the matter.

3. To the Office of Child Support Enforcement, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services Federal Parent Locator Service (FPLS) and Federal Tax Offset System for use in locating individuals and identifying their income sources to establish paternity, establish and modify orders of support and for enforcement action.

4. To the Office of Child Support Enforcement for release to the Social Security Administration for verifying social security numbers in connection with the operation of the FPLS by the Office of Child Support Enforcement.

5. To the Office of Child Support Enforcement for release to the Department of Treasury for purposes of administering the Earned Income Tax Credit Program (Section 32, Internal Revenue Code of 1986) and verifying a claim with respect to employment in a tax return.

6. To an authorized appeal grievance examiner, formal complaints examiner, equal employment opportunity investigator, arbitrator or other duly authorized official engaged in investigation or settlement of a grievance, complaint, or appeal filed by an employee. A record from this system of records may be disclosed to the Office of Personnel Management in accordance with the agency's responsibility for evaluation and oversight of Federal personnel management.

7. To officers and employees of a Federal agency for purposes of audit.

8. To a Member of Congress or to a congressional staff member in response to an inquiry of the congressional office made at the request of the individual about whom the record is maintained.

9. To officers and employees of the Office of Thrift Supervision in connection with administrative services provided to this agency under agreement with OTS.

10. To GAO for audit; to the Internal Revenue Service for investigation; and to private attorneys, pursuant to a power of attorney.

A copy of an employee's Department of the Treasury Form W-2, Wage and Tax Statement, also is disclosed to the state, city, or other local jurisdiction which is authorized to tax the

employee's compensation. The record will be provided in accordance with a withholding agreement between the state, city or other local jurisdiction and the Department of the Treasury pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 5516, 5517, and 5520, or, in the absence thereof, in response to a written request from an appropriate official of the taxing jurisdiction to the Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, 800 North Capitol Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20573-0001. The request must include a copy of the applicable statute or ordinance authorizing the taxation of compensation and should indicate whether the authority of the jurisdiction to tax the employee is based on place of residence, place of employment, or both. Pursuant to a withholding agreement between a city and the Department of the Treasury (5 U.S.C. 5520), copies of executed city tax withholding certificates shall be furnished to the city in response to written request from an appropriate city official to the Secretary at the above address.

In the absence of a withholding agreement, the Social Security Number will be furnished only to a taxing jurisdiction which has furnished this agency with evidence of its independent authority to compel disclosure of the Social Security Number, in accordance with section 7 of the Privacy Act, Pub. L. 93-579.

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Dated: November 24, 1997.

By the Commission.

Joseph C. Polking,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL MEDIATION AND CONCILIATION SERVICE

Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service (FMCS).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service (FMCS) announces an opportunity for public comment on the proposed extension of its collection of information by Form F-53, Federal Sector Labor Relations: Notice to Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, OMB No. 3076-0005. Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq., agencies are required to publish notice in the

Federal Register regarding each proposed collection of information, including a proposed extension of an existing collection of information, and to allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits public comment on the extension for three (3) years of a existing collection of information relating to federal sector labor-management relations. No revisions or modifications of Form F-53 are contemplated. Form F-53 is scheduled to expire on November 30, 1997; however, OMB has granted the agency a short-term extension until February 19, 1998.

DATES: Comments should be submitted on or before January 27, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be submitted by mail to: Office of the General Counsel, Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, 2100 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., ATTN: Tammi Strozier. Comments may also be submitted by fax to (202) 606-5345, ATTN: Tammi Strozier. All written or faxed comments should bear the notation: Comments on Form F-53. A record has been established for this action. All submitted comments will be available for public inspection in Room 600, 2100 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20427, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except on federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: General Counsel Elizabeth G. Watson, ATTN: Diane R. Liff, Special Counsel, Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, (202) 606-3747; fax: (202) 606-5345; e-mail: drliff@fmcs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Copies of Form F-53 are available from the Office of General Counsel, Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, 2100 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., 20427.

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 7119(a) and related implementing regulations, 29 CFR Part 1425, the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service (FMCS) provides services and assistance to federal agencies and to the labor unions that represent agencies' employees in matters involving contract expiration or reopener negotiations, as well as mid-term or impact and implementation bargaining disputes. In addition, FMCS provides grievance mediation services to agencies and employee unions that jointly request it. Form F-53, Federal Sector Labor Relations: Notice to Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, OMB No. 3076-0005, is a voluntary, one-page, collection of information submitted by federal agencies and labor unions to notify FMCS that such assistance is requested. Form F-53 permits FMCS to gather the

desired information in a timely and uniform manner. The information advises FMCS of the parties involved, type of negotiation, number of employees, date of contract termination or reopening, and the names and phone numbers of contact persons. The information supplied by the parties is collected by the FMCS Notice Processing Unit (NPU) and distributed by NPU to the appropriate FMCS field office for assignment of a federal mediator. Parties are not required to use Form F-53 to request services or assistance. The entities affected by this action are approximately 600 federal agencies and labor unions. The form is filled out once per request, and the time required to fill it out is estimated to be 10 minutes or less. Approximately 1,000 forms are submitted annually. FMCS seeks a three (3) year extension without modification for Form F-53. Form F-53 is scheduled to expire on November 30, 1997; however, OMB has granted the agency a short-term extension until February 19, 1998.

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS: FMCS solicits comments on:

- (1) The necessity of the collection of information for the proper performance of the functions of the agency;
- (2) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden on respondents of the collection of information;
- (3) The clarity and utility of the information collected; and
- (4) The manner by which the burden associated with respondents' collection of information could be minimized.

Dated: November 21, 1997.

Elizabeth G. Watson,
General Counsel.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Change in Bank Control Notices; Acquisitions of Shares of Banks 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 offices 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 December 12, 1997.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City (D. Michael Manies, Assistant Vice President) 925 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri 64198-0001:

1. *Michael D. Platt*, Hardtner, Kansas, James L. Molz, Kiowa, Kansas, David C. Collins, and Roland C. Pederson, both of Burlington, Oklahoma; to acquire voting shares of B-K Agency, Inc. Hardtner, Kansas, and thereby indirectly acquire The Farmers State Bank, Hardtner, Kansas.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, November 24, 1997.

Jennifer J. Johnson,

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 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. 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 December 23, 1997.

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

1. *Wachovia Corporation*, Winston-Salem, North Carolina; to merge with Ameribank Bancshares, Inc., Hollywood, Florida, and thereby indirectly acquire American Bank of Hollywood, Hollywood, Florida.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago (Philip Jackson, Applications Officer) 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60690-1413:

1. *Century Bank Corp.*, Fairmount, Indiana; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 97.8 percent of the voting shares of Citizens Exchange Bank, Fairmount, Indiana.

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

1. *Mississippi Valley Bancshares, Inc.*, Clayton, Missouri; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Southwest Bank, Belleville, Illinois (in organization).

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

1. *Narragansett Financial Corp.*, Fall River, Massachusetts; to become a bank holding company by acquiring Citizens-Union Savings Bank, Fall River, Massachusetts. Comments on this application must be received by December 12, 1997.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, November 21, 1997.

Jennifer J. Johnson,

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