

SUMMARY: Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) proposes to enter into a "prospective purchaser agreement" (PPA) concerning property owned by the Ware Shoals Power and Water, Inc. (WSPW), in Greenwood County, South Carolina. EPA proposes to enter into the PPA with the Town of Ware Shoals. The PPA concerns the acquisition by the Town of Ware Shoals of certain real property presently owned by the WSPW in Ware Shoals, Greenwood County, South Carolina.

The real property in question consists of a 27 acre tract located at 12 Mill Street, East Main Street and Honea Path Street, Ware Shoals, Greenwood County, South Carolina. The Property is the subject of an Agreement to transfer the property from WSPW to the Town of Ware Shoals. Pursuant to the PPA, the Settling Respondent agrees to conduct further environmental assessment at the Site pursuant to a Voluntary Contract with the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control. The PPA will also settle and resolve, subject to reservations and limitations contained in the PPA, the potential liability of the Settling Respondent for the Existing Contamination as defined in the PPA at the Property which may otherwise result from Settling Respondent becoming the owner of the property. The Town of Ware Shoals will be protected from CERCLA liability for past costs which may arise from their participation in the acquisition of the Property, as described above.

EPA will consider public comments on the proposed settlement for thirty (30) days. EPA may withdraw from or modify the proposed settlement should public comments disclose facts or considerations which indicate the proposed settlement is inappropriate, improper or inadequate.

Copies of the proposed settlement are available from: Ms. Paula V. Batchelor, Waste Management Division, U.S. EPA, Region 4, Atlanta Federal Center, 61 Forsyth Street, SW., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8909, 404/562-8887.

Written comments may be submitted to Ms. Batchelor within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of publication.

Dated: August 3, 2000.

Franklin E. Hill,

*Chief, CERCLA Program Services Branch,
Waste Management Division.*

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Notice of Agreement(s) Filed

The Commission hereby gives notice of the filing of the following agreement(s) under the Shipping Act of 1984. Interested parties can review or obtain copies of agreements at the Washington, DC offices of the Commission, 800 North Capitol Street, N.W., Room 940. Interested parties may submit comments on an agreement to the Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, DC 20573, within 10 days of the date this notice appears in the **Federal Register**.

Agreement No.: 011626-005.

Title: The Alianca/Columbus/P&O Nedlloyd Agreement.

Parties: Alianca Navegacao e Logistica Ltda., Columbus Line, P&O Nedlloyd Limited, P&O Nedlloyd B.V.

Synopsis: The proposed amendment adds Crowley American Transport and Oceanica AGW Com. E Rep. Ltda. d/b/a "Mercosul Line" as members of the Agreement; suspends the East Coast United States/East Coast of South America portion of the Agreement; adds an additional vessel to the Agreement's Gulf ports service; reallocates space among the parties; and updates the Agreement's withdrawal provisions. The parties request expedited review.

Agreement No.: 011677-001.

Title: United States Australasia Agreement.

Parties: P&O Nedlloyd Limited, Contship Containerlines Limited, Wallenius Wilhelmsen Lines AS, Australia-New Zealand Direct Line, Columbus Line, CMA CGM S.A.

Synopsis: The proposed modification adds Article 17(K) that suspends overcarriage payments or undercarriage compensation during the initial pool period from November 1, 1999, through October 31, 2000. The modification also corrects the name and address of CMA CGM S.A.

Dated: August 18, 2000.

By Order of the Federal Maritime Commission.

Theodore A. Zook,

Assistant Secretary.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Ocean Transportation Intermediary License Applicant

Notice is hereby given that the following applicants have filed with the Federal Maritime Commission an application for licenses as 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 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, D.C. 20573.

Non-Vessel Operating Common Carrier Ocean Transportation Intermediary Applicants

Honda Express Co, Ltd., 7754-1, Koh-Cho, Suzuka-Shi, Mie Pref. 513-0836, Japan, Officer: Nobuyuki Shimura, President (Qualifying Individual)
 Ronex Shipping and Forwarding B.V., Ridderhaven 17, Ridderkerk 2984 BT, Netherlands, Officer: Ronald J. Schols, President (Qualifying Individual)
 Elemar International Forwarding, Inc., 3475 NW 114 Avenue, Miami, FL 33178, Officer: Victor Matos, President (Qualifying Individual)
 SeaLines International, Inc., 316 Maid Street, East Rutherford, NJ 07073, Officers: Richard E. Burke, President (Qualifying Individual), Fred W. Morgenthaler, Vice President
 Konoike Transport and Engineering (USA), Inc., 1420 Coil Avenue, Wilmington, CA 90744, Officers: Yutaka Urabe, C.F.O. (Qualifying Individual), Kozo Murasawa, C.E.O./President
 Sea-Logix, Inc., Metro Office Park, Compaq Bldg-400, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00936, Officers: Richard Rodriguez, Vice President (Qualifying Individual), John Keenan, Chairman/Director
 Wil Can (USA) Group Inc., 167-10 South Conduit Avenue, Suite 210, Jamaica, NY 11434, Officer: Shen Zhang, General Manager (Qualifying Individual)
 P.K. Shipping, Inc. d/b/a Cargo Express, 5707 Calverton Street, Suite 2E, Baltimore, MD 21228, Officer: Joseph Pfender, Treasurer (Qualifying Individual)
 Webtrans Logistics, Inc. d/b/a ANC International, 601 W. Carob Street, Compton, CA 90220, Officer: John Park, President (Qualifying Individual)
 May Trading Inc. d/b/a Cargo Freight Transportation Co., 1300 E. Main Street, Room 109C, Alhambra, CA 91801, Officer: Eugene Y. Chiang, President (Qualifying Individual)
 Atlantic Trade Shipping Company, LLC d/b/a Grimaldi Group USA, 1903 Monroe, Dearborn, MI 48124, Officer: Houssam Salloum, President

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

GKN Freight Services, Inc., 6400 Durham Road, Highway 501, Timberlake, NC 27583, Officers: P. Gerard Byrne, Exec. Vice President (Qualifying Individual), Dennis Morris, President

Worldwide Group, Inc. d/b/a World Trans Line, 14928 S. Figueroa Street, Gardena, CA 90248, Officer: Choong Ho Chun, President (Qualifying Individual)

Ocean Freight Forwarders—Ocean Transportation Intermediary Applicants

A.G. International Freight Forwarding, Inc., 212 Livermore Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10314, Officers: Aldo Gallelli, Sr., President (Qualifying Individual), Aldo Gallelli, Jr., Vice President

Crossroads Inc., 9250 NW 25th Street, Miami, FL 33172, Officers: Peter R. Sengelmann, President (Qualifying Individual), Remberto Junquera, Vice President

Dated: August 18, 2000.

Theodore A. Zook,

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 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 15, 2000.

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

1. BOU Bancorp, Inc., Ogden, Utah; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Bank of Utah, Ogden, Utah.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, August 17, 2000.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Associate Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

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 6, 2000.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago (Phillip Jackson, Applications Officer) 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60690-1414:

1. *Southern Michigan Bancorp, Inc.*, Coldwater, Michigan; to acquire a 24 percent interest in H.O.M.E. Limited Dividend Housing Association Limited Partnership through Sturgis Bank and Trust Company's, Sturgis, Michigan, wholly owned subsidiary, First Michiana Development Corporation, Holland, Michigan, and thereby engage in community development activities, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(12)(i) of Regulation Y.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, August 17, 2000.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Associate Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

[File No. 992 3121]

FirstPlus Financial Group, Inc.; Analysis to Aid Public Comment

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission.

ACTION: Proposed consent agreement.

SUMMARY: The consent agreement in this matter settles alleged violations of federal law prohibiting unfair or deceptive acts or practices or unfair methods of competition. The attached Analysis to Aid Public Comment describes both the allegations in the draft complaint that accompanies the consent agreement and the terms of the consent order—embodied in the consent agreement—that would settle these allegations.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before September 18, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be directed to: FTC/Office of the Secretary, Room 159, 600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, D.C. 20580.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William Haynes, FTC/S-4429, 600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, D.C. 20580. (202) 326-3107.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to Section 6(f) of the Federal Trade Commission Act, 38 Stat. 721, 15 U.S.C. 46 and § 2.34 of the Commission's Rules of Practice (16 CFR 2.34), notice is hereby given that the above-captioned consent agreement containing a consent