

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 Chicago (Patrick M. Wilder, Assistant Vice President) 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60690-1414:

1. *Capitol Bancorp Ltd.*, Lansing, Michigan; to acquire 51 percent of the voting shares of Bank of Valdosta, Valdosta, Georgia (in organization).

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City (Donna J. Ward, Assistant Vice President) 925 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri 64198-0001:

1. *Gregg Bancshares, Inc.*, Nixa, Missouri; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 97.4 percent of the voting shares of Glasgow Savings Bank, Glasgow, Missouri.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, January 9, 2006.

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 Web site 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 3, 2006.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco (Tracy Basinger, Director, Regional and Community Bank Group) 101 Market Street, San Francisco, California 94105-1579:

1. *Castle Creek Capital III LLC; Castle Creek Capital Partners, III, L.P.; Eggeneyer Capital LLC; and Ruh Capital LLC*, all of Rancho Santa Fe, California; to acquire 24.9 percent of the voting shares of Atlanta Bancorporation, Inc., Alpharetta, Georgia, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of Gibsonville Community Bank, Gibsonville, North Carolina, and thereby engage *de novo* in operating a state savings bank, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(4)(ii) of Regulation Y.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, January 5, 2006.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Federal Open Market Committee; Domestic Policy Directive of December 13, 2005

In accordance with § 271.25 of its rules regarding availability of information (12 CFR part 271), there is set forth below the domestic policy directive issued by the Federal Open Market Committee at its meeting held on December 13, 2005.¹

The Federal Open Market Committee seeks monetary and financial conditions that will foster price stability and promote sustainable growth in output. To further its long-run objectives, the Committee, in the immediate future, seeks conditions in reserve markets consistent with increasing the federal funds rate to an average of around 4¼ percent.

The vote encompassed approval of the paragraph below for inclusion in the statement to be released shortly after the meeting:

“The Committee perceives that, with appropriate monetary policy action, the upside and downside risks to the attainment

¹ Copies of the Minutes of the Federal Open Market Committee Meeting on December 13, 2005, which includes the domestic policy directive issued at the meeting, are available upon request to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington, DC 20551. The minutes are published in the Federal Reserve Bulletin and in the Board's annual report.

of both sustainable growth and price stability should be kept roughly equal. With underlying inflation expected to be contained, the Committee believes that policy accommodation can be removed at a pace that is likely to be measured. Nonetheless, the Committee will respond to changes in economic prospects as needed to fulfill its obligation to maintain price stability.”

By order of the Federal Open Market Committee, January 5, 2006.

Vincent R. Reinhart,

Secretary, Federal Open Market Committee.

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

2006 Travel and Relocation Innovation Award

AGENCY: Office of Governmentwide Policy, General Services Administration (GSA)

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The General Services Administration (GSA) is announcing the 2006 Travel and Relocation Innovation Award. The purpose of the award is to recognize the professionals of travel and/or relocation management.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Visit the National Travel Forum 2006 (NTF 2006) Web site at <http://www.nationaltravelforum.org> and click on “Awards” or contact Jane Groat, Office of Travel, Transportation, and Asset Management (MT), General Services Administration, Washington, DC 20405, (202) 501-4318, jane.groat@gsa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Travel Regulation is contained in 41 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Chapters 300 through 304, and implements statutory requirements and Executive branch policies for travel by Federal civilian employees and others authorized to travel at Government expense.

The General Services Administration (GSA), sponsor of the Interagency Travel Management Committee (ITMC) and the National Travel Forum 2006 (NTF 2006), announces a new travel award to recognize and honor excellence in Federal travel and relocation. This award, available to all Federal employees, will honor individuals and/or teams. In addition to cash awards, one or more entries may receive the Honorable Mention Award. Entries must be received no later than March 31, 2006.

Announcement and presentation of winners will be at GSA's National Travel Forum 2006 (June 26–29, 2006 in Los Angeles, CA).

Dated: January 6, 2006.

Patrick F. McConnell,

Acting Director, Travel Management Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Public Meeting of the President's Council on Bioethics

AGENCY: The President's Council on Bioethics, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The President's Council on Bioethics (Edmund D. Pellegrino, MD, Chairman) will hold its twenty-third meeting, at which, among other things, it will continue the discussion on ethical issues relating to children. Subjects discussed at past Council meetings (though not on the agenda for the present one) include: Cloning, assisted reproduction, reproductive genetics, IVF, ICSI, PGD, sex selection, inheritable genetic modification, patentability of human organisms, neuroscience, aging retardation, lifespan-extension, and organ procurement for transplantation. Publications issued by the Council to date include: Human Cloning and Human Dignity: An Ethical Inquiry (July 2002); Beyond Therapy: Biotechnology and the Pursuit of Happiness (October 2003); Being Human: Readings from the President's Council on Bioethics (December 2003); Monitoring Stem Cell Research (January 2004), Reproduction and Responsibility: The Regulation of New Biotechnologies (March 2004), Alternative Sources of Human Pluripotent Stem Cells: A White Paper (May 2005), and Taking Care: Ethical Caregiving in Our Aging Society (September 2005).

DATES: The meeting will take place Thursday, February 2, 2006, from 9 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. e.t. and Friday, February 3, 2006, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. e.t.

ADDRESSES: The Madison, 15th and M Streets, NW., Washington, DC 20005. Phone 202–862–1600.

Agenda: The meeting agenda will be posted at <http://www.bioethics.gov>.

Public Comments: The Council encourages public input, either in person or in writing. At this meeting, interested members of the public may address the Council, beginning at 11:30 a.m., on Friday, February 3. Comments

are limited to no more than five minutes per speaker or organization. As a courtesy, please inform Ms. Diane Gianelli, Director of Communications, in advance of your intention to make a public statement, and give your name and affiliation. To submit a written statement, mail or e-mail it to Ms. Gianelli at one of the addresses given below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Diane Gianelli, Director of Communications, The President's Council on Bioethics, Suite 700, 1801 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, DC 20006. Telephone: 202/296–4669. E-mail: info@bioethics.gov. Web site: <http://www.bioethics.gov>.

Dated: January 6, 2006.

F. Daniel Davis,

Executive Director, The President's Council on Bioethics.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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Proposed Data Collections Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects. To request more information on the proposed projects or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, call 404–639–4766 and send comments to Seleda Perryman, CDC Assistant Reports Clearance Officer, 1600 Clifton Road, MS–D74, Atlanta, GA 30333 or send an email to omb@cdc.gov.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques

or other forms of information technology. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Proposed Project

National Hospital Ambulatory Medical Care Survey (NHAMCS) 2007–2008 [OMB No. 0920–0278]—Extension—National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Background and Brief Description

The National Hospital Ambulatory Medical Care Survey (NHAMCS) has been conducted annually since 1992. The purpose of NHAMCS is to meet the needs and demands for statistical information about the provision of ambulatory medical care services in the United States. Ambulatory services are rendered in a wide variety of settings, including physicians' offices and hospital outpatient and emergency departments. The target universe of the NHAMCS is in-person visits made to outpatient departments (OPDs) and emergency departments (EDs) of non-Federal, short-stay hospitals (hospitals with an average length of stay of less than 30 days) or those whose specialty is general (medical or surgical) or children's general.

NHAMCS was initiated to complement the National Ambulatory Medical Care Survey (NAMCS, OMB No. 0920–0234) which provides similar data concerning patient visits to physicians' offices. NAMCS and NHAMCS are the principal sources of data on approximately 90 percent of ambulatory care provided in the United States.

NHAMCS provides a range of baseline data on the characteristics of the users and providers of ambulatory medical care. Data collected include patients' demographic characteristics, reason(s) for visit, physicians' diagnosis(es), diagnostic services, medications, and disposition. These data, together with trend data, may be used to monitor the effects of change in the health care system, for the planning of health services, improving medical education, determining health care work force needs, and assessing the health status of the population. In addition, a Cervical Cancer Screening Supplement (CCSS) will be added to collect information on cervical cancer screening practices from hospital OPD clinics. It will allow the CDC/National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (NCCDPHP) to evaluate cervical cancer screening methods and the use of HPV tests.