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 March 23, 2006.

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

1. Community State Bank Employee Stock Ownership Plan and Trust, Union Grove, Wisconsin; to increase its ownership to 33.95 percent of the voting shares of Union Bancorporation, Inc., Union Grove, Wisconsin, and thereby indirectly acquire Community State Bank, Union Grove, Wisconsin.

2. Gerber Bancshares, Inc., Argenta, Illinois; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Gerber State Bank, Argenta, Illinois.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis (Glenda Wilson, Community Affairs Officer) 411 Locust Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63166-2034:

1. First Banks, Inc., Hazelwood, Missouri, and its subsidiary bank, The San Francisco Company, San Francisco, California; to acquire 80 percent of the voting shares of First Independent National Bank, Plano, Texas.

2. First Banks, Inc., Hazelwood, Missouri, and its subsidiary bank holding company, The San Francisco Company, San Francisco, California; to acquire 100 percent of Pittsfield Community Bancorp, Inc., Pittsfield, Illinois, and thereby indirectly acquire Community Bank of Pittsfield, Pittsfield, Illinois.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, February 21, 2006.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board. [FR Doc. E6–2640 Filed 2–23–06; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6210–01–S

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation; Medicaid Program; Meeting of the Medicaid Commission— March 13–15, 2006

AGENCY: Assistant Secretary for Planning & Evaluation (ASPE), HHS. **ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a public meeting of the Medicaid Commission. Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. 2, section 10(a)(1) and (a)(2)). The Medicaid Commission will advise the Secretary on ways to modernize the Medicaid program so that it can provide high-quality health care to its beneficiaries in a financially sustainable way.

DATES: *The Meeting:* March 13–15, 2006. The meeting will begin at 6 p.m. on March 13, 9 a.m. on March 14, and 8:30 a.m. on March 15.

Special Accommodations: Persons attending the meeting who are hearing or visually impaired, or have a condition that requires special assistance or accommodations, are asked to notify the Medicaid Commission by March 3, 2006 (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT).

ADDRESSES: *The Meeting:* The meeting will be held at the following address: Crowne Plaza-Atlanta-Perimeter N.W., 6345 Powers Ferry Road, NW., Atlanta, GA 30339, United States, telephone: 1 (770) 955–1700, fax: 1 (770) 850–0444.

Web site: You may access up-to-date information on the Medicaid Commission at http://aspe.hhs.gov/ medicaid/.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Margaret Reiser, (202) 205–8255.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On May 24, 2005, we published a notice (70 FR 29765) announcing the Medicaid Commission and requesting nominations for individuals to serve on the Medicaid Commission. This notice announces a public meeting of the Medicaid Commission.

Topics of the Meeting

The Commission will discuss options for making longer-term recommendations on the future of the Medicaid program that ensure long-term sustainability. Issues to be addressed may include, but are not limited to: Eligibility, benefit design, and delivery; expanding the number of people covered with quality care while recognizing budget constraints; long term care; quality of care, choice, and beneficiary satisfaction; and program administration.

Procedure and Agenda

This meeting is open to the public. There will be a public comment period at the meeting. The Commission may limit the number and duration of oral presentations to the time available. We will request that you declare at the meeting whether or not you have any financial involvement related to any services being discussed.

After the presentations and public comment period, the Commission will deliberate openly. Interested persons may observe the deliberations, but the Commission will not hear further comments during this time except at the request of the Chairperson. The Commission will also allow an open public session for any attendee to address issues specific to the topic.

Authority: 5 U.S.C. App. 2, section 10(a)(1) and (a)(2).

Dated: February 16, 2006.

Mary M. McGeein,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, Office of Disability, Aging and Long-Term Care.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

Debarment

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HHS. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Deputy Assistant Secretary for the Office of Acquisition Management and Policy of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has taken final agency action in the following case:

Paul H. Kornak, Stratton VA Medical Center, Albany, New York: Upon recommendations from the Office of Research Integrity (ORI), Acting Assistant Secretary for Health for the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), the Office of Research Oversight (ORO), and the Under Secretary for Health, Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), that were based on the criminal convictions of making and using a materially false statement, in violation of 18 U.S.C. 1001(a)(3); mail fraud, in violation of 18 U.S.C. 1341 and 1346; and criminally negligent homicide, in violation of 18 U.S.C. 13 and New York Penal Law § 125.10, the HHS debarring official has permanently debarred Mr. Paul Kornak, former