

Agency also requests that person(s) submitting comments directly to the docket also provide a copy of their comments to the DFO listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. There is no limit on the length of written comments for consideration by the HSRB.

#### E. Background

The EPA Human Studies Review Board will be reviewing its draft report from the April 4–6, 2006 HSRB meeting. Background on the April 4–6, 2006 HSRB meeting can be found at 71 FR 12194 (March 9, 2006) and at the HSRB Web site <http://www.epa.gov/osa/hsrb/>.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–8173–6; Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–ORD–2006–0463]

### External Review Draft, Application of Equilibrium Partitioning Theory to Soil PAH Contamination

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of public comment period.

**SUMMARY:** EPA is announcing a 30-day public comment period for the draft document titled, “Application of Equilibrium Partitioning Theory to Soil PAH Contamination” (EPA/600/R–06/035A). The document was prepared by the Ecological Risk Assessment Support Center managed by the National Center for Environmental Assessment within EPA’s Office of Research and Development.

EPA is releasing this draft document solely for the purpose of pre-dissemination peer review under applicable information quality guidelines. This document has not been formally disseminated by EPA. It does not represent and should not be construed to represent any Agency policy or determination. EPA will consider any public comments submitted in accordance with this notice when revising the document.

**DATES:** The 30-day public comment period begins May 23, 2006, and ends June 22, 2006. Technical comments should be in writing and must be received by EPA by June 22, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** The draft document, “Application of Equilibrium

Partitioning Theory to Soil PAH Contamination,” is available primarily via the Internet on the National Center for Environmental Assessment’s home page under the Recent Additions and Data and Publications menus at <http://www.epa.gov/ncea>. A limited number of paper copies are available from Ms. Donna Tucker, Technical Information Manager, NCEA-Cincinnati; telephone: 513–569–7257; facsimile: 513–569–7916; e-mail: [tucker.donna@epa.gov](mailto:tucker.donna@epa.gov). If you are requesting a paper copy, please provide your name, your mailing address, and the document title, “Application of Equilibrium Partitioning Theory to Soil PAH Contamination”.

Comments may be submitted electronically via <http://www.regulations.gov>, by mail, by facsimile, or by hand delivery/courier. Please follow the detailed instructions provided in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For information on the public comment period, contact the Office of Environmental Information Docket; telephone: 202–566–1752; facsimile: 202–566–1753; or e-mail: [ORD.Docket@epa.gov](mailto:ORD.Docket@epa.gov).

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Information About the Project/ Document

U.S. EPA’s Ecological Risk Assessment Support Center (ERASC) is a knowledge center that provides technical information and addresses scientific questions on topics relevant to ecological risk assessment at hazardous waste sites for EPA’s Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response (OSWER) and Regional Superfund/Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) staff. The topics are submitted by users in the program office and regions. The ERASC is managed by the Office of Research and Development’s (ORD’s) National Center for Environmental Assessment and is located in Cincinnati, Ohio.

The ERASC recently completed an external review draft of the document titled, “Application of Equilibrium Partitioning Theory to Soil PAH Contamination”. It addresses the issue of whether equilibrium partitioning techniques can be used to predict the toxicity of PAH mixtures in soil.

## II. How to Submit Technical Comments to the Docket at <http://www.regulations.gov>

Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–ORD 2006–0463 by one of the following methods:

- <http://www.regulations.gov>: Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

- E-mail: [ORD.Docket@epa.gov](mailto:ORD.Docket@epa.gov).

- Fax: 202–566–1753.

- Mail: Office of Environmental Information (OEI) Docket (Mail Code: 2822T), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460. The phone number is 202–566–1752.

- Hand Delivery: The OEI Docket is located in the EPA Headquarters Docket Center, EPA West Building, Room B102, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The EPA Docket Center Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Public Reading Room is 202–566–1744. Such deliveries are only accepted during the Docket’s normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information.

If you provide comments in writing, please submit one unbound original with pages numbered consecutively, and three copies of the comments. For attachments, provide an index, number pages consecutively with the comments, and submit an unbound original and three copies.

**Instructions:** Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–ORD–2006–0463. It is EPA’s policy to include all comments it receives in the public docket without change and to make the comments available online at <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided, unless a comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through <http://www.regulations.gov> or e-mail. The <http://www.regulations.gov> Web site is an “anonymous access” system, which means EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an e-mail comment directly to EPA without going through <http://www.regulations.gov>, your e-mail address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public docket and made available on the Internet. If you

submit an electronic comment, EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD-ROM you submit. If EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses. For additional information about EPA's public docket visit the EPA Docket Center homepage at <http://www.epa.gov/epahome/dockets.htm>.

*Docket:* Documents in the docket are listed in the <http://www.regulations.gov> index. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, e.g., CBI or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other materials, such as copyrighted material, are publicly available only in hard copy. Publicly available docket materials are available either electronically in <http://www.regulations.gov> or in hard copy at the OEI Docket in the EPA Headquarters Docket Center.

Dated: May 15, 2006.

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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/](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 June 16, 2006.

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

1. *Capital One Financial Corporation*, McLean, Virginia; to merge with North Fork Bancorporation, Inc., Melville, New York, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of North Fork Bank, Mattituck, New York, and Superior Savings of New England, National Association, Branford, Connecticut.

In connection with this application, Applicant also has applied to acquire up to 19.9 percent of the voting shares of North Fork Bancorporation, Inc., Melville, New York.

In addition, North Fork Bancorporation, Inc., Melville, New York; has applied to acquire up to 19.9 percent of the voting shares of Capital One Financial Corporation, McLean, Virginia.

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

1. *Quay Bank Corp.*, Albuquerque, New Mexico; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of High Desert State Bank, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

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

1. *Concord Place, Inc.*, Nassau, Bahamas; to become a bank holding company by acquiring at least 76.6 percent of the voting shares of Los Angeles National Bank, Buena Park, California.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, May 18, 2006.

**Robert deV. Frierson,**

*Deputy Secretary of the Board.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Request for Applications for the Mentoring Partnership Program—Protégé

**AGENCY:** Office on Women's Health, Office of Public Health and Science, Office of the Secretary, HHS.

*Announcement Type:* Cooperative Agreement—FY 2006 Initial announcement.

*Funding Opportunity Number:* Not applicable.

*CFDA Number:* 93.294.

**DATES:** To receive consideration, applications must be received by the Office of Grants Management, Office of Public Health and Science (OPHS), Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), no later than June 22, 2006.

Pre-site visits (if needed): August 21–25, 2006. If the pre-site visits will determine funding they will need to be prior to July 15 (due date of funding memos to Office of Grants Management).

*Award date:* September 1, 2006.

**SUMMARY:** The Office on Women's Health (OWH) within the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is the government's champion and focal point for women's health issues, and works to redress inequities in research, health care services, and education that have historically placed the health of women at risk. The OWH coordinates women's health efforts within DHHS to eliminate disparities in health status and supports culturally sensitive educational programs that encourage women to take personal responsibility for their own health and wellness. To that end, OWH has established public/private partnerships to address critical women's health issues nationwide, namely mentoring partnerships (protégé and mentor) meant to strengthen the capacity of non-profit organizations that provide HIV/AIDS prevention services to women at risk and/or living with HIV/AIDS. Women of color represent over 80 percent of the reported AIDS cases. Younger women are increasingly at higher risk for HIV/AIDS. Thus, the Mentoring Partnership Program—Protégé intends to demonstrate how small, non-profit, community-based, faith-based, and women's service organizations will be strengthened, programs/service effectiveness increased, and gender-focused and culturally competent practices instituted so that efforts to reach women most at risk and/or living with HIV/AIDS are increased. The non-profit community-based, faith-based, and