

indicated. The applications 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 April 6, 2009.

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

1. *Premier Financial Bancorp, Inc.*, Huntington, West Virginia, to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Abigail Adams National Bancorp, Inc., and thereby indirectly acquire The Adams National Bank, both of Washington, D.C., and Consolidated Bank and Trust Company, Richmond, Virginia.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, March 9, 2009.

**Robert deV. Frierson,**

*Deputy Secretary of the Board.*

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## FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT BOARD

### Sunshine Act; Notice of Meeting

**TIME AND DATE:** 10 a.m. (Eastern Time), March 16, 2009.

**PLACE:** 4th Floor Conference Room, 1250 H Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005.

**STATUS:** Parts will be open to the public and parts closed to the public.

#### MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED

##### *Parts Open to the Public*

- Approval of the minutes of the February 17, 2009 Board member meeting.
- Thrift Savings Plan activity report by the Executive Director.
  - Monthly Participant Activity Report.

b. Investment Performance Report.

c. Legislative Report.

##### *Parts Closed to the Public*

3. Propriety Information.

4. Personnel.

#### **CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

Thomas J. Trabucco, Director, Office of External Affairs, (202) 942-1640.

Dated: March 9, 2009.

**Thomas K. Emswiler,**

*Secretary, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology; HIT Standards Committee and HIT Policy Committee Nomination Letters

**ACTION:** Notice on letters of nomination.

**SUMMARY:** The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Act), Public Law 111-5 amends the Public Health Service Act (PHSA) to add new sections 3002 and 3003. The new section 3003 of the PHSA establishes the HIT Standards Committee to make recommendations to the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology on standards, implementation specifications, and certification criteria for the electronic exchange and use of health information for purposes of health information technology adoption. The HIT Standards Committee members are to be appointed by the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services with the National Coordinator taking a leading role. Membership of the HIT Standards Committee should at least reflect the following categories of stakeholders and will include other individuals: providers, ancillary healthcare workers, consumers, purchasers, health plans, technology vendors, researchers, relevant Federal agencies, and individuals with technical expertise on health care quality, privacy and security, and on the electronic exchange and use of health information.

In addition, we also seek nominations to the HIT Policy Committee (established by the new section 3002 of the PHSA), which makes recommendations to the National Coordinator on the implementation of a nationwide health information technology infrastructure. The HIT Policy Committee will consist of at least 20 members. Three of these members

will be appointed by the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services. Of the three members, one must be a representative of the Department of Health and Human Services and one must be a public health official. If, 45 days after the enactment of the Act, an official authorized under the Act to make appointments to the HIT Policy Committee has failed to make an appointment(s), the Act authorizes the Secretary of HHS to make such appointments. The Department of Health and Human Services is consequently accepting nominations for the HIT Policy Committee.

New section 3008 of the PHSA allows the Secretary to recognize the NeHC (if modified to be consistent with the requirements of section 3002 and 3003 of the Act and other federal laws) as either the HIT Policy Committee or the HIT Standards Committee. At this time, the Department of Health and Human Services is evaluating options regarding the National eHealth Collaborative and its role in relation to those Committees.

For appointments to either the HIT Standards Committee or the HIT Policy Committee, I am announcing the following: Letters of nomination and resumes should be submitted by March 16, 2009 to ensure adequate opportunity for review and consideration of nominees prior to appointment of members.

**ADDRESSES:** Office of the National Coordinator, Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20201, Attention: Judith Sparrow, Room 729D. E-mail address:

[HIT\\_FACA\\_nominations@hhs.gov](mailto:HIT_FACA_nominations@hhs.gov).

Please indicate in your letter or e-mail to which Committee your nomination belongs.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** ONC/HHS, Judith Sparrow, (202) 205-4528.

**Authority:** The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Pub. L. 111-5), section 13101.

Dated: March 9, 2009.

**Robert M. Kolodner,**

*National Coordinator for Health Information Technology, Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology.*

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