and the office directors of the Office of Examination, Office of General Counsel, and Office of Regulatory Policy, or the directors of successor offices, as voting members of the REC. A representative from the Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation will be invited to participate in REC activities as a nonvoting member. The Chairman of the FCA Board will also designate one of the voting REC members as Chairman of the REC.

Due to the statutory independence of the Office of Secondary Market Oversight (OSMO), there will be different REC membership when considering issues related to Farmer Mac.

Referrals to the REC

Recommended supervisory strategies or enforcement actions concerning an FCS institution or person will be referred to the REC when any of the conditions exist, as specified below, or when a specified condition does not exist, but consideration of an enforcement action or review by the REC is appropriate. The REC will review the proposed actions and draft enforcement documents and assess the recommendations for pursuing any such actions. The REC may revise the recommendations and will document its concurrence or nonconcurrence with the supervisory strategy or enforcement action.

Conditions Warranting Referral to the REC

Any one of the following conditions requires a referral to the REC for its consideration of supervisory strategies or enforcement actions.

- 1. A "4" or "5" composite FIRS rating is assigned to an FCS institution;
- 2. The institution or person is deemed unable or unwilling to address a material: (a) Unsafe or unsound condition or practice; or (b) violation or ongoing violation of law or regulation;
- 3. The institution or person is about to engage in a material unsafe or unsound practice or is about to commit a willful or material violation of law or regulation that exposes the institution to significant risk;
- 4. Conditions meet the statutory criteria for a suspension or removal;
- 5. Conditions meet the statutory criteria for assessing a civil money penalty and the factors to be considered in determining the amount of a civil money penalty justify the imposition of the penalty;
- Conditions meet the statutory criteria to place an FCS institution in conservatorship or receivership;

- 7. An institution or person fails to comply with an Enforcement Document or is unwilling or unable to address a violation of a condition imposed in writing; or
- 8. Conditions justify termination or modification of an existing Enforcement Document.

As appropriate, referrals for the REC's consideration also may be made for conditions not specified above.

Notification of the REC

The REC will be notified when any institution is assigned a "3" composite FIRS rating and informed of the Agency's supervisory strategies.

Consultation With the REC

For institutions under a formal Enforcement Document, or assigned a composite FIRS rating of "4" or "5", requests for prior approvals, or other actions, will be referred to the REC for consultation.

Referral to the FCA Board

The REC will refer to the FCA Board for its consideration all recommendations concurred with by the REC for the placement of an Enforcement Document on a FCS institution or person. In the unlikely instance, when an institution receives a composite "4" or "5" FIRS rating and a formal Enforcement Document is not recommended to the FCA Board, the REC will promptly document and report the Agency's supervisory strategy to the FCA Board.

Reporting to the FCA Board

The REC Chairman will report at least quarterly to the FCA Board if matters are referred to or reviewed by the REC, but FCA Board action is not subsequently requested.

Actions by the REC

The REC will develop procedures to address the responsibilities outlined herein.

Due to OSMO's statutory independence, the Director of OSMO will develop procedures for actions affecting Farmer Mac.

Dated this 7th day of August 2009 by order of the Board.

Signed by: Roland E. Smith, Secretary, Farm Credit Administration Board.

Dated: October 26, 2009.

Roland E. Smith,

Secretary, Farm Credit Administration Board. [FR Doc. E9–26230 Filed 10–29–09; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6705–01–P

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Federal Advisory Committee Act; Advisory Committee on Diversity for Communications in the Digital Age

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, this notice advises interested persons that the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) Advisory Committee on Diversity for Communications in the Digital Age ("Diversity Committee") will hold a meeting on December 3, 2009 at 2 p.m. in the Commission Meeting Room of the Federal Communications Commission, Room TW-C305, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554. This will be the third meeting of the full Diversity Committee under its renewed charter and new membership.

DATES: December 3, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, Room TW–C305 (Commission Meeting Room), 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Barbara Kreisman, 202–418–1605; Barbara.Kreisman@FCC.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: At this meeting the Media Issues working group will present a formal best practices recommendation.

Members of the general public may attend the meeting. The FCC will attempt to accommodate as many people as possible. However, admittance will be limited to seating availability. The public may submit written comments before the meeting to: Barbara Kreisman, the FCC's Designated Federal Officer for the Diversity Committee by e-mail: Barbara.Kreisman@fcc.gov or U.S.

Postal Service Mail (Barbara Kreisman, Federal Communications Commission, Room 2–A665, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554).

Open captioning will be provided for this event. Other reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. Requests for such accommodations should be submitted via e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or by calling the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at (202) 418–0530 (voice), (202) 418–0432 (tty). Such requests should include a detailed description of the accommodation needed. In addition, please include a way we can contact you if we need more information. Please

allow at least five days advance notice; last minute requests will be accepted, but may be impossible to fill.

Additional information regarding the Diversity Committee can be found at http://www.fcc.gov/DiversityFAC.

Federal Communications Commission.

Barbara A. Kreisman,

Chief, Video Division, Media Bureau. [FR Doc. E9–26226 Filed 10–29–09; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6712–01–P

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 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/.

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 November 30, 2009.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis (Glenda Wilson, Community Affairs Officer) P.O. Box 442, St. Louis, Missouri 63166–2034:

1. First National Security Company, Hot Springs, Arkansas; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Heritage Capital Corporation, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of Heritage Bank, both of Jonesboro, Arkansas.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City (Todd Offenbacker, Assistant Vice President) 1 Memorial Drive, Kansas City, Missouri 64198–0001:

1. Stockmens Financial Corporation and Stockmens Limited Partnership, both of Rapid City, South Dakota; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Valentine Bancorporation, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of First National Bank of Valentine, both of Valentine, Nebraska.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, October 27, 2009.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board. [FR Doc. E9–26166 Filed 10–29–09; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6210–01–8

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 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 November 16, 2009.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago (Colette A. Fried, Assistant Vice President) 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60690–1414: Ida Grove Bancshares, Inc., Ida Grove, Iowa; to engage de novo in leasing personal or real property, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(3) of Regulation Y.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, October 27, 2009.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board. [FR Doc. E9–26167 Filed 10–29–09; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6210–01–8

FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Notice of Agreement Filed

The Commission hereby gives notice of the filing of the following agreement under the Shipping Act of 1984. Interested parties may submit comments on the agreement to the Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, DC 20573, within ten days of the date this notice appears in the Federal Register. A copy of the agreement is available through the Commission's Web site (http://www.fmc.gov) or by contacting the Office of Agreements at (202) 523–5793 or tradeanalysis@fmc.gov.

Agreement No.: 012063–002.

Title: Grand Alliance/Zim
Transpacific Vessel Sharing Agreement.
Parties: Hapag-Lloyd
Aktiengesellschaft; Nippon Yusen

Aktiengesellschaft; Nippon Yusen Kaisha; Orient Overseas Container Line Limited; and Zim Integrated Shipping Services Limited.

Filing Party: Wayne R. Rohde, Esq., Sher & Blackwell LLP, 1850 M Street, NW., Suite 900, Washington, DC 20036.

Synopsis: The amendment would suspend the operation of the SCE service on a temporary basis and authorize the parties to cooperate on the Grand Alliance's NCE service. The parties request expedited review.

By Order of the Federal Maritime Commission.

Dated: October 26, 2009.

Tanga S. FitzGibbon,

Assistant Secretary.

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GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE

Advisory Council on Government Auditing Standards; Notice of Meeting

The Advisory Council on Government Auditing Standards will meet Tuesday, November 17, 2009, from 8:15 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., in room 6N30 of the Government Accountability Office building, 441 G Street, NW., Washington, DC.