

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, October 18, 2019.

Michele Taylor Fennell,

Assistant Secretary of the Board.

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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, if any, are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The applications will also 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 section 3 of 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), and interested persons may express their views in writing on the standards enumerated in section 4. Unless otherwise noted, nonbanking activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

Comments regarding each of these applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors, Ann E. Misback, Secretary of the Board, 20th and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington DC 20551-0001, not later than November 25, 2019.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (Kathryn Haney, Assistant Vice President) 1000 Peachtree Street NE, Atlanta, Georgia 30309. Comments can also be sent electronically to Applications.Comments@atl.frb.org:

1. *Community First Bancshares, MHC, and Community First Bancshares, Inc., both of Covington, Georgia*; a mutual savings and loan holding company and a mid-tier stock savings and loan holding company, respectively, to

become bank holding companies by acquiring ABB Financial Group, Inc., and thereby indirectly acquire Affinity Bank, both of Atlanta, Georgia, under section 3 of the BHC Act. In connection with this application, Community First Bancshares, MHC and Community First Bancshares, Inc. to retain ownership of Newton Federal Bank, Covington, Georgia, a savings association, for the time that they are bank holding companies and thereby engage in operating a savings association pursuant to section 4(c)(8) of the BHC Act. Finally, Community First Bancshares, MHC, and Community First Bancshares, Inc. to become a mutual savings and loan holding company and a mid-tier savings and loan holding company, respectively, pursuant to section 10(e) of the Home Owners' Loan Act, following the merger of Affinity Bank with and into Newton Federal Bank.

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FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT

Board Member Meeting

77 K Street NE, 10th Floor, Washington, DC 20002

October 28, 2019, 8:30 a.m., In-Person

Open Session

1. Approval of the September 16, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes
2. Investment Benchmark Update
3. Monthly Reports
 - (a) Participant Activity Report
 - (b) Legislative Report
4. Quarterly Reports
 - (c) Investment Policy
 - (d) Budget Review
 - (e) Audit Status
5. Office of Enterprise Planning Annual Report
6. Update on Implementation of Additional Withdrawal Options

Closed Session

Information covered under 5 U.S.C. 552b (c)(6) and (c)(9)(B).

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Kimberly Weaver, Director, Office of External Affairs, (202) 942-1640.

Dated: October 18, 2019.

Megan Grumbine,

General Counsel, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board.

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

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Notice of Announcement of Industry Engagement Event

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

ACTION: Meeting notice.

SUMMARY: GSA is hosting an industry engagement event to highlight how section 889 of Title VII of the NDAA for FY 2019 (hereinafter Sec. 889) will affect GSA's business and supply chain. Toward that end, GSA invites industry partners and associations to join in a broad based dialogue.

DATES: This industry engagement event will be held on Wednesday, November 6, 2019, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., Eastern Standard Time (EST).

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in the Department of Interior (DOI) Yates Auditorium at 1849 C St. NW, Washington, DC 20240. There is no virtual attendance for this meeting. Information about the industry event can be found under the heading

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Maria Swaby, GSA Procurement Ombudsman, 202-208-0291 or Mr. Michael Thompson, Senior Policy Advisor, 202-208-1568.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year 2019, Title VII, Section 889, Prohibition on certain telecommunications and video surveillance services or equipment, identifies sources of "covered telecommunications equipment or services" and, in paragraph (a)(1)(B), states that, as of August 13, 2020, "The head of an executive agency may not enter into a contract (or extend or renew a contract) with an entity that uses any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system."

GSA is seeking to build industry awareness of this statutory language and hear different perspectives on the business impact on GSA and its supply chain. This meeting is NOT part of the FAR Rule-Making process. Rather it is specifically focused on GSA contractors and on the GSA mission.

GSA invites industry representatives, including representatives from the