

authorized to take certain actions to encourage remediation of those conditions. Specifically, the Commission may take actions “against any foreign carrier that is a contributing cause, or whose government is a contributing cause, to those conditions.” 46 U.S.C. 42304(a). Potential actions include imposing limits and/or fees on Canadian-flagged vessels that visit U.S. ports and requesting that the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and the U.S. Coast Guard refuse clearance and deny entry of such vessels into the U.S., or detain such vessels. *See* 46 U.S.C. 42304, 42305. Any such fees could be substantial, as they are authorized by law at a level up to \$2,559,636 per voyage. *See* 46 CFR 506.4. Under section 42304(b), the Commission “may consult with, seek the cooperation of, or make recommendations as to other appropriate agencies of the United States government” prior to taking such action. When the Commission initiates a Chapter 423 investigation, it will notify the U.S. Secretary of State and may request that the Secretary “seek resolution of the matter through diplomatic channels.” 46 CFR 555.7. Before any action is taken under 46 U.S.C. 42304 or 42305, the relevant determination is submitted for Presidential review, within 10 days of receipt, under 46 U.S.C. 42306.

At this initial stage of the investigation, the Commission will focus on providing a route for interested parties, including the Government of Canada, as well as Canadian carriers operating in the Great Lakes trade, to provide information, perspectives, and proposed solutions.

III. Investigation and Initial Request for Comments

The Commission has determined that the above situation meets the threshold requirements for consideration under the relevant statutory and regulatory authority. *See* 46 U.S.C. 42302; 46 CFR 555.3, 555.5. The Commission has therefore determined to initiate an investigation into whether the situation has created conditions that adversely affect the operations of United States carriers as described above. *See* 46 U.S.C. 42302; 46 CFR 555.5, 555.6. To that end, the Commission has designated the General Counsel to lead an investigation into the conditions and to prepare a report on the investigation’s findings and recommendations for Commission consideration.

Interested persons are requested to submit written comments containing arguments, experiences, and/or data relevant to the above-described

conditions, with a particular focus on the situation of vessels that will become subject to the Canadian regulation described above in September 2024. It would be especially helpful for the agency to receive comments addressing what options exist for carriers to seek an exemption from the Canadian regulations going into effect in September 2024, and whether any such processes differ based on whether the carrier is a U.S. carrier or a Canadian carrier.

The Commission’s jurisdiction under 46 U.S.C. 42302 is broad, and the agency welcomes comments not only from the Government of Canada, but also from container shipping interests, bulk cargo interests, vessel owners, individuals and groups with relevant information on commercial and environmental considerations, and anyone else with relevant information or perspectives on this matter.

As the Commission proceeds with this investigation, it may determine to request additional comment or gather information through other means as authorized under 46 U.S.C. 42303 and 46 CFR 555.5, 555.6.

By the Commission.

Dated: May 16, 2024.

David Eng,
Secretary.

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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 public portions of 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(s) indicated below and at the offices of the Board of Governors. This information may also be obtained on an expedited basis, upon request, by contacting the appropriate Federal Reserve Bank and from the Board’s

Freedom of Information Office at <https://www.federalreserve.gov/foia/request.htm>. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the standards enumerated in the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1842(c)).

Comments received are subject to public disclosure. In general, comments received will be made available without change and will not be modified to remove personal or business information including confidential, contact, or other identifying information. Comments should not include any information such as confidential information that would not be appropriate for public disclosure.

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 Street and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington DC 20551–0001, not later than June 21, 2024.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of New York (Ivan Hurwitz, Head of Bank Applications) 33 Liberty Street, New York, New York 10045–0001. Comments can also be sent electronically to Comments.applications@ny.frb.org:

1. *HCB Newco Corp., Mineola, New York*; to become a bank holding company by acquiring Hanover Bancorp, Inc., Mineola, New York, and thereby indirectly acquiring Hanover Community Bank, Garden City Park, New York.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

Michele Taylor Fennell,

Deputy Associate Secretary of the Board.

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

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GSA Bulletin (ETS 24–01) Transition to E-Gov Travel Service, Next Generation (ETSNext)

AGENCY: Office of Travel, Employee Relocation, and Transportation; General Services Administration, (GSA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The GSA Bulletin ETS 24–01 is issued to bring awareness to all critical agency leadership and program offices so that preparation and action takes place to ensure the ETSNext transition happens on a timely, well-planned basis. The GSA Bulletin ETS 24–01 is cosigned by the Office of