

processing, it will also 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, including whether consummation of the proposal can "reasonably be expected to produce benefits to the public, such as greater convenience, increased competition, or gains in efficiency, that outweigh possible adverse effects, such as undue concentration of resources, decreased or unfair competition, conflicts of interests, or unsound banking practices" (12 U.S.C. 1843). Any request for a hearing on this question must be accompanied by a statement of the reasons a written presentation would not suffice in lieu of a hearing, identifying specifically any questions of fact that are in dispute, summarizing the evidence that would be presented at a hearing, and indicating how the party commenting would be aggrieved by approval of the proposal.

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 May 2, 1996.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago (James A. Bluemle, Vice President) 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60690:

1. *Hartwick Bancshares, Inc.*, Hartwick, Iowa; to engage *de novo* in making and servicing loans, pursuant to § 225.25(b)(1) of the Board's Regulation Y.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, April 12, 1996.

Jennifer J. Johnson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Dkt. C-3616]

Arizona Institute of Reproductive Medicine, Ltd.; Prohibited Trade Practices, and Affirmative Corrective Actions

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission.

ACTION: Consent Order.

SUMMARY: In settlement of alleged violations of federal law prohibiting unfair or deceptive acts or practices and unfair methods of competition, this consent order prohibits, among other things, an Arizona institute and its president from misrepresenting the success rate of their in vitro fertilization

program or any other infertility treatment services. In addition, the consent order stipulates that any comparison with other success rates be based upon the same calculating methodology. Finally, the order requires the respondents to possess competent and reliable scientific evidence for any future comparative success-rate claims for fertility services.

DATES: Complaint and Order issued September 25, 1995.¹

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael Katz or Matthew Daynard, FTC/H-200, Washington, D.C. 20580. (202) 326-3291.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

On Monday, July 3, 1995, there was published in the Federal Register, 60 FR 34535, a proposed consent agreement with analysis In the Matter of Arizona Institute of Reproductive Medicine, Ltd., for the purpose of soliciting public comment. Interested parties were given sixty (60) days in which to submit comments, suggestions or objections regarding the proposed form of the order.

No comments having been received, the Commission has ordered the issuance of the complaint in the form contemplated by the agreement, made its jurisdictional findings and entered an order to cease and desist, as set forth in the proposed consent agreement, in disposition of this proceeding.

(Sec. 6, 38 Stat. 721; 15 U.S.C. 46. Interprets or applies sec. 5, 38 Stat. 719, as amended; 15 U.S.C. 45)

Donald S. Clark,

Secretary.

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[Dkt. C-3617]

Body Wise International, Inc.; Prohibited Trade Practices, and Affirmative Corrective Actions

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission.

ACTION: Consent order.

SUMMARY: In settlement of alleged violations of federal law prohibiting unfair or deceptive acts or practices and unfair methods of competition, this consent order prohibits, among other things, a California-based company from falsely representing that any nutritional supplement, food or drug contains any ingredient that can cause or contribute to achieving or maintaining weight loss

¹ Copies of the Complaint and the Decision and Order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch, H-130, 6th Street & Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20580.

without diet or exercise, and bars unsubstantiated weight-loss, weight-loss maintenance, cholesterol reduction, or other health benefit claims for such products. In addition, the consent order prohibits the deceptive use of consumer testimonials or professional endorsements, and requires clear disclosures of any financial connection between endorsers and the respondent or its products.

DATES: Complaint and Order issued September 25, 1995.¹

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

David Newman, San Francisco Regional Office, Federal Trade Commission, 901 Market St., Suite 570, San Francisco, CA 94103, (415) 356-5270.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

On Wednesday, July 5, 1995, there was published in the Federal Register, 60 FR 35025, a proposed consent agreement with analysis In the Matter of Body Wise International, Inc., for the purpose of soliciting public comment. Interested parties were given sixty (60) days in which to submit comments, suggestions or objections regarding the proposed form of the order.

No comments having been received, the Commission has ordered the issuance of the complaint in the form contemplated by the agreement, made its jurisdictional findings and entered an order to cease and desist, as set forth in the proposed consent agreement, in disposition of this proceeding.

(Sec. 6, 38 Stat. 721; 15 U.S.C. 46. Interprets or applies sec. 5, 38 Stat. 719, as amended; 15 U.S.C. 45, 52)

Donald S. Clark,

Secretary.

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[Dkt. C-3621]

The Council of Fashion Designers of America, et al.; Prohibited Trade Practices, and Affirmative Corrective Actions

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission.

ACTION: Consent order.

SUMMARY: In settlement of alleged violations of federal law prohibiting unfair or deceptive acts or practices and unfair methods of competition, this consent order prohibits, among other things, a New York corporation and a trade association of fashion designers from entering into, organizing, implementing or continuing any

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agreement to fix the price, terms or conditions of compensation for modeling or modeling agency services, and requires the respondents to send a letter, along with the Commission's complaint and order, to all members and officers of the organizations, as well as the specified modeling agencies and designer.

DATES: Complaint and Order issued October 17, 1995.¹

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Antalics, FTC/S-2627, Washington, D.C. 20580, (202) 326-2821.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On Monday, July 3, 1995, there was published in the Federal Register, 60 FR 34537, a proposed consent agreement with analysis In the Matter of Council of Fashion Designers of America, et al., for the purpose of soliciting public comment. Interested parties were given sixty (60) days in which to submit comments, suggestions or objections regarding the proposed form of the order.

No comments having been received, the Commission has ordered the issuance of the complaint in the form contemplated by the agreement, made its jurisdictional findings and entered an order to cease and desist, as set forth in the proposed consent agreement, in disposition of this proceeding.

(Sec. 6, 38 Stat. 721; 15 U.S.C. 46. Interprets or applies sec. 5, 38 Stat. 719, as amended; 15 U.S.C. 45)

Donald S. Clark,
Secretary.

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[Dkt. C-3631]

Federal News Service Group, Inc., et al.; Prohibited Trade Practices, and Affirmative Corrective Actions

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission.

ACTION: Consent order.

SUMMARY: In settlement of alleged violations of federal law prohibiting unfair or deceptive acts or practices and unfair methods of competition, this consent order prohibits, among other things, a District of Columbia corporation that sells verbatim news transcripts, and its president, from agreeing, or soliciting an agreement, to allocate customers or divide markets with any provider of news transcripts; entering into, continuing, or renewing

any agreement that prevents Reuters America from competing with the respondents in the production, marketing or sale of news transcripts; renewing its news transcript supply agreement with Reuters America for five years; agreeing, or soliciting agreements, with competitors to fix or maintain resale prices for news transcripts; and requiring or pressuring any competitor to maintain or adopt any resale price for news transcripts.

DATES: Complaint and Order issued December 18, 1995.¹

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Antalics, FTC/S-2627, Washington, D.C. 20580. (202) 326-2821.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On Thursday, October 5, 1995, there was published in the Federal Register 60 FR 52186, a proposed consent agreement with analysis In the Matter of Federal News Service Group, Inc., et al., for the purpose of soliciting public comment. Interested parties were given sixty (60) days in which to submit comments, suggestions or objections regarding the proposed form of the order.

No comments having been received, the Commission has ordered the issuance of the complaint in the form contemplated by the agreement, made its jurisdictional findings and entered an order to cease and desist, as set forth in the proposed consent agreement, in disposition of this proceeding.

(Sec. 6, 38 Stat. 721; 15 U.S.C. 46. Interprets or applies sec. 5, 38 Stat. 719, as amended; 15 U.S.C. 45)

Donald S. Clark,
Secretary.

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[Dkt. C-3629]

Hoechst AG; Prohibited Trade Practices, and Affirmative Corrective Actions

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission.

ACTION: Consent Order.

SUMMARY: This consent order settles alleged violations of federal law prohibiting unfair or deceptive acts or practices and unfair methods of competition arising from the \$7.1 billion merger of Hoechst AG and Marion Merrell Dow, Inc. The consent order, among other things, requires Hoechst—a pharmaceutical firm—to provide Biovail Corporation International with a

letter of access to the toxicology data necessary to secure additional FDA approvals for a hypertension and cardiac drug called Tiazac (diltiazem). It also requires Hoechst to return any confidential information obtained from Biovail; to refrain from using the information; to dismiss a patent infringement lawsuit filed by Marion Merrell Dow regarding Tiazac; to withdraw a citizen petition Marion Merrell Dow filed with the Food and Drug Administration relating to Tiazac; and to agree not to file any subsequent litigation against Biovail regarding diltiazem. In addition, the consent order requires Hoechst to divest the rights to either Trental or Beraprost (two drugs intended to treat intermittent claudication, a painful leg cramping condition); to divest the rights to Pentasa (or the generic formulation), which is one of two oral forms of mesalamine used to treat ulcerative colitis and Crohn's Disease; and to divest the rights to Rifadin (or the generic formulation), which is used to treat tuberculosis. The required divestitures have to be made to Commission-approved entities, within nine months of the date of the order.

DATES: Complaint and Order issued December 5, 1995.¹

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Laura Wilkinson, FTC/S-2308, Washington, D.C. 20580 (202) 326-2830.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On Tuesday, September 26, 1995, there was published in the Federal Register, 60 FR 49609, a proposed consent agreement with analysis In the Matter of Hoechst AG, for the purpose of soliciting public comment. Interested parties were given sixty (60) days in which to submit comments, suggestions or objections regarding the proposed form of the order.

Comments were filed and considered by the Commission. The Commission has ordered the issuance of the complaint in the form contemplated by the agreement, made its jurisdictional findings and entered an order to divest, as set forth in the proposed consent agreement, in disposition of this proceeding.

(Sec. 6, 38 Stat. 721; 15 U.S.C. 46. Interpret or apply sec. 5, 38 Stat. 719, as amended; sec. 7, 38 Stat. 731, as amended; 15 U.S.C. 45, 18)

Donald S. Clark,
Secretary.

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