

agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) that does not display a valid control number. Comments are requested concerning (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Written comments should be submitted on or before February 18, 1999. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contact listed below as soon as possible.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all comments to Les Smith, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20554 or via the Internet to [lesmith@fcc.gov](mailto:lesmith@fcc.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For additional information or copies of the information collections contact Les Smith at (202) 418-0217 or via the Internet at [lesmith@fcc.gov](mailto:lesmith@fcc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*OMB Control Number:* 3060-0841.  
*Title:* Public Notice—Additional Processing Guidelines for DTV.  
*Form Number(s):* FCC 301 and FCC 340.

*Type of Review:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

*Respondents:* Businesses or other for-profit entities; Not-for-profit institutions.

*Number of Respondents:* 75.  
*Estimated Time per Response:* 3 hours.

*Frequency of Response:*  
Recordkeeping; On occasion reporting requirements; Third party disclosure.

*Total Annual Burden:* 225 hours.  
*Total Annual Costs:* \$270,000.

*Needs and Uses:* The Commission released a public notice on August 10, 1998, that explains how "nonchecklist" applications (i.e., applications that do not conform to certain criteria to enable fast-track processing) will be processed for DTV station construction permits. This public notice explains what should

be included in engineering showings and other types of application exhibits and cover letters. This public notice for "nonchecklist" applications should help to resolve processing uncertainties, enable the preparation of complete and quality applications, and hasten the authorization of DTV service. The data provided will be used by FCC staff to ensure that interference to other DTV and NTSC stations is minimized.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Magalie Roman Salas,**

*Secretary.*

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[PR Docket Nos. 93-61 and GN 96-228; FCC 99-2]

### Small Business Size Standards

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice; seeking comment.

**SUMMARY:** In this Notice, the Commission is seeking further comment on the small business size standard definitions adopted for the auction of Location Monitoring Service and Wireless Communication Service spectrum.

**DATES:** Comment deadline: January 20, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** To file formally, parties must submit an original and four copies to the Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 Twelfth Street, SW., TW-A325, Washington, D.C. 20554. In addition, parties must submit one copy to Amy Zoslov, Chief, Auctions and Industry Analysis Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, Room 5202, 2025 M Street N.W., Washington, D.C. 20554.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ken Burnley or Arthur Lechtman, Auctions and Industry Analysis Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, at (202) 418-0660.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This Public Notice was released on January 13, 1999, and is available in its entirety, including all attachments, for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau's Public Reference Room, Room 5608, 2025 M Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., and also may be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor,

International Transcription Services, (202) 857-3800, fax (202) 857-3805, 1231 20th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036. It is also available on the Commission's website at <http://www.fcc.gov>.

### Synopsis of Public Notice

In accordance with a recent ruling by the Small Business Administration (SBA), the Commission is seeking further comment on small business size standards adopted for the auction of Location and Monitoring Service (LMS) and Wireless Communications Service (WCS) spectrum. This ruling is detailed in the attached letter from the Administrator of the Small Business Administration. The Commission seeks comment on these issues for purposes of obtaining SBA approval of the LMS and WCS size standards. This action will not affect the outcome of the WCS auction or the payment obligations of WCS licensees.

The LMS auction is scheduled to begin on February 23, 1999. In our rules for that auction, the Commission adopted small business size standards and associated bidding credits for LMS to remove entry barriers and ensure the participation of small businesses in the LMS auction and in the provision of service. The Commission sought comment, in general, on small business size standards for LMS, and one party commented on this issue. This commenter, Comtrak, recommended that the Commission adopt two small business categories in the LMS auction: (1) a "small business" category, for businesses with average gross revenues not to exceed \$10 million; and (2) a "very small business" category, for businesses with average gross revenues not to exceed \$3 million. Comtrak also recommended that the Commission rely solely on gross revenues, and not the number of employees, for the purpose of determining an entity's eligibility for small business incentives, as it has done in previous auctions. None of the commenters addressed capital requirements supporting the suggested small business thresholds.

The rules the Commission adopted for LMS define a "small business" as an entity with average annual gross revenues for the preceding three years not to exceed \$15 million. They define a "very small business" as an entity with average annual gross revenues for the preceding three years not to exceed \$3 million. Thus, in accordance with the Part 1 rules concerning competitive bidding, small businesses will receive a 25 percent bidding credit and very small businesses will receive a 35 percent bidding credit.

The WCS auction closed on April 25, 1997. In the expedited rulemaking proceeding for this service, the Commission adopted tiered small business size standards and associated bidding credits. The Commission took this action to ensure that small businesses have the opportunity to participate in the provision of spectrum-based services, as required by Section 309(j) of the Communications Act. The record in the WCS proceeding supported the establishment of small business provisions. Several commenters urged the Commission to use tiered definitions, with levels similar to those employed for broadband PCS. As was the case with LMS, none of the commenters discussed capital requirements supporting the suggested small business thresholds.

The Commission adopted the same small business definitions for WCS as it did for broadband PCS. Thus, it defined a "small business" as an entity with average annual gross revenues for the preceding three years not to exceed \$40 million. The Commission defined a "very small business" as an entity with average annual gross revenues for the preceding three years not to exceed \$15 million. The Commission established bidding credits of 25 percent for small businesses and 35 percent for very small businesses.

The SBA recently informed the Commission that the SBA is unable to approve the LMS and WCS definitions because the Commission did not seek comment on specific small business proposals in the *LMS Further Notice* and the *WCS Notice*. Herein, the Commission takes this opportunity to solicit comments on the specific small business size standards that it adopted for LMS and WCS. Comments are due on or before January 13, 1999. To file formally, parties must submit an original and four copies to the Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, Federal Communications Commission, 445 Twelfth Street, SW., TW-A325, Washington, DC 20554. In addition, parties must submit one copy to Amy Zoslov, Chief, Auctions and Industry Analysis Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, Room 5202, 2025 M Street NW., Washington, DC 20554. Comments will be available for public inspection during regular business hours in the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Public Reference Room, Room 5608, 2025 M Street NW., Washington, DC 20554.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Shirley S. Suggs,**

*Chief, Publications Branch.*

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## FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

### Change in Bank Control Notices; Acquisitions of Shares of Banks or Bank Holding Companies

The notificants listed below have applied under the Change in Bank Control Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)) and § 225.41 of the Board's Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.41) to acquire a bank or bank holding company. The factors that are considered in acting on the notices are set forth in paragraph 7 of the Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)(7)).

The notices are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notices also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing to the Reserve Bank indicated for that notice or to the offices of the Board of Governors. Comments must be received not later than February 2, 1999.

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

1. *Jack Ray Ferguson*, Candler, North Carolina; *Gilbert R. Miller*, Miller's Creek, North Carolina; *Dwight E. Pardue*, North Wilkesboro, North Carolina; *Robert F. Ricketts*, North Wilkesboro, North Carolina; *R. Colin Shoemaker*, Wilkesboro, North Carolina; and *Ronald S. Shoemaker*, Miller's Creek, North Carolina; all to acquire additional voting shares of Community Bancshares, Inc., Wilkesboro, North Carolina, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of Wilkes National Bank, Wilkesboro, North Carolina.

**B. Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland** (Paul Kaboth, Banking Supervisor) 1455 East Sixth Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44101-2566:

1. *Leo A. Altier*, Corning, Ohio; *Lois A. Altier*, Corning, Ohio; *William H. Altier*, Zanesville, Ohio; *John F. Altier*, Crooksville, Ohio; *Paul W. Altier*, Corning, Ohio; *Christine M. Altier*, Columbus, Ohio; *Mary Ann Flowers*, Lancaster, Ohio; *Pamela R. Compston*, New Lexington, Ohio; *Donald M. Altier*, Somerset, Ohio; and *Angela Hopkins*, Cedar Hill, Texas; to acquire voting shares of North Valley Bank, Corning, Ohio.

**C. Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis** (Randall C. Sumner, Vice President) 411

Locust Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63102-2034:

1. *The Arnold Family Group*, Marked Tree, Arkansas; to retain voting shares of Marked Tree Bancshares, Inc., Marked Tree, Arkansas, and thereby indirectly retain voting shares of Marked Tree Bank, Marked Tree, Arkansas.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, January 13, 1999.

**Robert deV. Frierson,**

*Associate 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, are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The application 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. Unless otherwise noted, nonbanking activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

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 February 12, 1999.

**A. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta** (Lois Berthaume, Vice President) 104 Marietta Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-2713:

1. *Flag Financial Corporation*, LaGrange, Georgia; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of First Flag Bank, LaGrange, Georgia (formerly First Federal Savings Bank of LaGrange),