

Implementation of Section 309(j) of the Communications Act—Competitive Bidding for Commercial Broadcast and Instructional Television Fixed Service Licenses (MM Docket No. 97–234)

Reexamination of the Policy Statement on Comparative Broadcast Hearings (GC Docket No. 92–52)

Proposals to Reform the Commission's Comparative Hearing Process to Expedite the Resolution of Cases (GEN. Docket No. 90–264)

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Federal Communications Commission.

Magalie Roman Salas,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency is submitting a request for review and approval of a new information collection. This request is submitted under the emergency processing procedures in Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulation 5 CFR 1320.13. FEMA is requesting that this information collection be approved by June 18, 1999 for the use through December 1999 due to the hurricane season that began June 1.

FEMA plans to follow this emergency request with a 3-year approval. The request will be processed under OMB's normal clearance procedures in accordance with the provisions of OMB regulation 5 CFR 1320.10. To help us

with the timely processing of the emergency and normal clearance submissions to OMB, FEMA invites the general public to comment on the proposed collection of information. This notice and request for comments is in accordance with the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506 (c)(2)(A)). It seeks comments concerning the collection of information to be used to establish a settlement on the amount the insured will receive under a National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) policy for the cost of bringing a structure into compliance with floodplain management requirements. It will also be used to identify whether or not the insured qualifies for coverage under the Increased Cost of Compliance (ICC).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION. This collection is in accordance with FEMA responsibilities under Section 555 of Public Law 103–325 and is part of all NFIP policies newly issued or renewed on or after June 1, 1997. ICC coverage pays for expenses a property owner must incur above and beyond the cost to repair the physical damage the structure actually sustained from a flooding event to comply with State or local floodplain management ordinances or laws. Such expenses may include the cost of building elevation, floodproofing, relocation, demolition, or any combination. Policyholders with 3-year policies have the option of canceling their flood insurance policies on the anniversary date and obtaining ICC coverage under rewritten policies.

Collection of Information:

Title: Increased Cost of Compliance.

Type of Information Collection: New.

OMB Number: None.

Form Numbers. FEMA Form 81–99, Increased Cost of Compliance Proof of Loss; and FEMA Form 81–42A, Increased Cost of Compliance Adjuster Report.

Abstract. The National Flood Insurance Program, (NFIP) authorized by P.L. 90–448 (1968) and expanded by P.L. 93–234 (1973) provides low-cost Federally subsidized flood insurance for existing buildings exposed to flood risk. In return, communities must enact and administer construction safeguards to ensure that new construction in the floodplain will be built to eliminate or minimize future flood damage. In accordance with P.L. 93–234, the purchase of flood insurance is mandatory when Federal or Federally-related financial assistance is being provided for acquisition or construction of buildings located or to be located within FEMA-identified Special Flood Hazard Areas of communities which are participating in the Program. Section 555 of the National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994, Title V of the Riegle Community Development and Investment Act of 1994 (Public Law 103–325), requires the NFIP to provide the coverage under the Standard Flood Insurance Policy for the increased costs of complying with the land use and control measures established under section 1361 of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended. FEMA Form 81–99, Increased Cost of Compliance (ICC) Proof of Loss will be used by the insured and adjuster to establish a settlement on the amount the insured will receive. FEMA Form 81–42A, Increased Cost of Compliance Adjuster Report will be used by the Adjuster to identify whether or not the insured qualifies for coverage under ICC. These forms are necessary for the continued proper performance of the Agency's functions related to indemnifying policyholders for flood damages to their properties.

Affected public: Individuals and households; Business or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions, and Farms.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 7,895.

FEMA forms	Number of respondents (A)	Frequency of response (B)	Hours per response (C)	Annual burden hours (A × B × C)
81–99	3,500	On Occasion25	875
81–42A	3,500	On Occasion	2	7,000
Total	3,500	2.25	7,875

Estimated Cost. \$1,750,000.

Comments

Written comments are solicited to:

- evaluate whether the proposed data collections and reporting requirements are necessary for the proper performance of FEMA's

functions and program activities, including whether the data have practical utility;

- evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed data collections and reporting requirements;

- determine an estimated cost of the proposed data collections and reporting requirements to the respondents;

- enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and,

- minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who

are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

OMB should receive comments concerning the approval of this collection of information under OMB's emergency processing procedures within 30 days of the date of this notice. FEMA will, however, continue to accept comments concerning this collection of information through August 24, 1999.

ADDRESSEE: Interested persons should submit written comments to the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, ATTN: Desk Officer for FEMA, 725 17th Street, NW, Room 10102, Washington DC 20503, or to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, ATTN: Information Collections Officer, 500 C Street, SW, Room 316, Washington, DC 20472.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information contact Timothy P. Johnson, Federal Insurance Administration, at (202) 646-3418. For copies of the proposed collection of information contact Muriel B. Anderson at (202) 646-2625, FAX (202) 646-3524, or e-mail: muriel.anderson@fema.gov.

Dated: June 11, 1999.

Muriel B. Anderson,

Acting Director, Program Services Division, Operations Support Directorate.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Public Meeting: Application by Fleet Financial Group, Inc., Boston, Massachusetts, To Merge With BankBoston Corporation, Boston, MA

AGENCY: Federal Reserve System.

ACTION: Notice of Meeting.

SUMMARY: On July 7, 1999, a public meeting will be held regarding the notice submitted by the Fleet Financial Group, Inc., Boston, Massachusetts (Fleet Financial), to acquire BankBoston Corporation, Boston, Massachusetts (BankBoston), and its banking and nonbanking subsidiaries pursuant to the Bank Holding Company Act (BHC Act) and related statutes. The purpose of the public meeting is to collect information relating to factors the Board is required to consider under the BHC Act.

DATES: The Meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 7, 1999, at 9:00 a.m. EDT.

ADDRESSES: Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, 600 Atlantic Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert M. Brady, Vice President, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, 600 Atlantic Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts. Facsimile: 617/973-3219.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On May 17, 1999, Fleet Financial requested the Board's approval to merge with BankBoston under the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1841 *et seq.*) and related statutes. The factors the Board must consider in evaluating the proposal under the BHC Act are: the effects of the proposal on the financial and managerial resources and future prospects of the companies and banks involved in the proposal; competition in the relevant markets; and the convenience and needs of the communities to be served. With respect to competition, the proposal involves the merger of the two largest banking organizations in new England and will involve sizable divestitures throughout the region. Convenience and needs considerations include a review of the records of performance of Fleet Financial and BankBoston under the Community Reinvestment Act, which requires the Board to take into account in its review of a bank acquisition or merger proposal each institution's record of meeting the credit needs of its entire community, including low- and moderate-income neighborhoods, consistent with the safe and sound operation of the institution. 12 U.S.C. 2903.

The transaction also involves the proposed acquisition of a number of nonbanking companies engaged in activities permissible for bank holding companies. The Board must determine whether conducting the proposed nonbanking activities can reasonably be expected to produce benefits to the public that outweigh possible adverse effects, such as undue concentration of resources, decreased or unfair competition, conflicts of interest, or unsound banking practices.

Procedures for Hearing

Testimony at the public meeting will be presented to a panel consisting of a Presiding Officer and other panel members appointed by the Presiding Officer. In conducting the public meeting, the Presiding Officer will have the authority and discretion to ensure that the meeting proceeds in a fair and orderly manner. In contrast to a formal administrative hearing, the rules for taking evidence in an administrative proceeding will not apply to this public

meeting. Panel members may question witnesses, but no cross-examination of witnesses will be permitted. The public meeting will be transcribed and information regarding procedures for obtaining a copy of the transcript will be announced at the public meeting.

On the basis of the requests received, the Presiding Officer will prepare a schedule for persons wishing to testify and establish the order of presentation. To ensure an opportunity for all interested commenters to present their views, the Presiding Officer may limit the time for presentation. Persons not listed on the schedule may be permitted to speak at the public meeting if time permits at the conclusion of the schedule of witnesses at the discretion of the Presiding Officer. Copies of testimony may, but need not, be filed with the Presiding Officer before a person's presentation.

Request To Testify

All persons wishing to testify at the public meeting must submit a written request to Robert M. Brady, Vice President, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, 600 Atlantic Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts 02106 (facsimile: 617/973-3219), not later than 5:00 p.m. EDT, Wednesday, June 30, 1999. The request must include the following information: (i) A brief statement of the nature of the expected testimony and the estimated time required for the presentation; (ii) Address and telephone number (and facsimile number, if available) of the person testifying; and (iii) Identification of any special needs, such as from persons desiring translation services, persons with a physical disability who may need assistance, or persons requiring visual aids for their presentation. To the extent available, translators will be provided to persons wishing to present their views in a language other than English if this information is included in the request to testify. Persons interested only in attending the meeting do not need to submit a written request to attend.

By order of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, June 22, 1999.

Jennifer J. Johnson,

Secretary of the Board.

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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