

EPA reviewed the submission from New York State for consistency with the Guidance in accordance with 40 CFR 131 and 132.5. EPA determined that for the most part the State of New York has adopted water quality standards and NPDES permits program revisions which are consistent with section 118(c) of the Clean Water Act and 40 CFR part 132. However, there are certain parts of the State's submission that are inconsistent with the requirements of the Clean Water Act or 40 CFR part 132 and will be subject to EPA disapproval if not corrected. On April 11, 2000, in a letter from EPA Region 2 to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, EPA described in detail those provisions determined to be inconsistent with the Guidance and subject to disapproval if not remedied by the State. The inconsistencies relate to the following components of the State's submission in conformance with section 118(c) of the CWA and 40 CFR part 132: (1) Application of the State's chronic aquatic life water quality criteria in certain waters of the Great Lakes Basin; (2) water quality criteria for mercury for the protection of wildlife; (3) Procedure 3 of Appendix F of the Guidance for developing total maximum daily loads and so-called "phased" total maximum daily loads; (4) Procedure 5 for determining reasonable potential to exceed water quality standards for both industrial and municipal dischargers, including the use of fish tissue data, and the consideration of intake credits; (5) Procedure 6 for determining reasonable potential for whole effluent toxicity, and including limits in the permit when a determination of reasonable potential for whole effluent toxicity has been made; (6) Procedure 7 for expressing water quality-based effluent limits (WQBELs) in terms of both mass and concentration; (7) Procedure 8 for including calculated WQBELs in the permit when the WQBEL is below the quantification level, the need to require a pollution minimization plan in all such cases; and, (8) Procedure 9 for limiting the availability of compliance schedules to existing discharges to the Great Lakes Basin. Based on our review to date, EPA believes that, with the above exceptions, the submission by New York is consistent with the Guidance. Today, EPA is soliciting public comment regarding all aspects of the April 11, 2000 letter. In particular, EPA solicits comments on the provisions identified in the April 11, 2000 letter as being inconsistent with the CWA and the Guidance, on EPA's proposed course of action if New York

State fails to remedy those inconsistencies, and on EPA's belief that the remainder of the State's submission is consistent with the Guidance. EPA's letter also describes the provisions of the Guidance that EPA would identify in a final rule as applying to discharges in the New York portion of the Basin if the identified inconsistencies are not addressed by the State. EPA may decide to identify in such a rule the provisions described in our letter, or other relevant provisions of the Guidance that the Agency determines upon completion of this process to be appropriate, and the Agency broadly solicits comment regarding what provisions would be appropriate to identify in such a rule.

During the next 90 days, EPA intends to continue working with New York State to address the inconsistencies identified in the April 11, 2000 letter. If the State fails to remedy any of the inconsistencies identified in the letter, EPA will publish a notice in the **Federal Register** identifying the disapproved elements and the corresponding portions of Part 132 that will apply to waters within the Great Lakes Basin in New York State.

William J. Muszynski,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region 2.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Technological Advisory Council Meeting

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, Pub. L. 92-463, as amended, this notice advises interested persons of the fifth meeting of the Technological Advisory Council ("Council"), which will be held at the Federal Communications Commission in Washington, DC.

DATES: Wednesday, June 28, 2000 at 10 a.m.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th St., SW, Room TW-C305, Washington, DC 20554.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kent Nilsson at knilsson@fcc.gov or 202-418-0845.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Council was established by the Federal Communications Commission to provide a means by which a diverse array of recognized technical experts

from a variety of interests such as industry, academia, government, citizens groups, etc., can provide advice to the FCC on innovation in the communications industry.

The purpose of this fifth meeting will be to hear and discuss the progress of the three focus groups established by the Council to consider the issues the FCC presented to it at its April 30, 1999 meeting.

These issues include: (1) The current state of the art for software defined radios, cognitive radios, and similar devices, future developments for these technologies, and ways that the availability of such technologies might affect the FCC's traditional approaches to spectrum management; and the current state of knowledge of electromagnetic noise levels and the effects of such noise on the reliability of existing and future communications systems; (2) the current technical trends in telecommunications services, changes that might decrease, rather than increase, the accessibility of telecommunications services by persons with disabilities and ways the FCC might best communicate to designers of emerging telecommunications network architectures, the requirements for accessibility; and (3) the telecommunications common carrier network interconnection scenarios that are likely to develop, including the technical aspects of cross network (*i.e.*, end-to-end) interconnection, quality of service, network management, reliability, and operations issues, as well as the deployment of new technologies such as dense wave division multiplexing and high speed packet/cell switching. The Council may also consider such other issues as come before the Council at the meeting.

Members of the general public may attend the meeting. The Federal Communications Commission will attempt to accommodate as many persons as possible. However, admittance will be limited to the seating available. Depending on the Council's progress at this meeting, public participation may be permitted at the discretion of the Council's Chairman. Interested persons may submit written comments to David Farber, the Council's Designated Federal Officer, before the meeting either by e-mail (dfarber@fcc.gov) or by U.S. mail to David Farber, Chief Technologist, Room 7-C155, Office of Engineering & Technology, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20554.

Federal Communications Commission.

William F. Caton,

Deputy Secretary.

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FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

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

AGENCY: Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

ACTION: Notice of information collection to be submitted to OMB for review and approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

SUMMARY: In accordance with requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the FDIC hereby gives notice that it plans to submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request for OMB review and approval of the information collection system described below.

Type of Review: New collection.

Title: Applicant Background Questionnaire.

OMB Number: New collection.

Form Number : 2100/14.

Annual Burden: Estimated annual number of respondents: 16,000; Estimated time per response: 3 minutes; Average annual burden hours: 800 hours.

Expiration Date of OMB Clearance: New collection.

OMB Reviewer: Alexander T. Hunt, (202) 395-7860, Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Washington, DC 20503.

FDIC Contact: Tamara R. Manly, (202) 898-7453, Office of the Executive Secretary, Room F-4058, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, 550 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20429.

Comments: Comments on this collection of information are welcome and should be submitted on or before May 30, 2000, to both the OMB reviewer and the FDIC contact listed above.

ADDRESSES: Information about this submission, including copies of the proposed collection of information, may be obtained by calling or writing the FDIC contact listed above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Applicant Background Questionnaire will be completed voluntarily by FDIC job applicants who are not currently FDIC employees. Responses to questions on the survey will provide information

on gender, age, disability, race/national origin, and the applicant's source of vacancy announcement information. Data will be used by the Office of Diversity and Economic Opportunity and the Personnel Services Branch to evaluate the effectiveness of various recruitment methods used by the FDIC to ensure that the agency meets workforce diversity objectives.

Dated: April 24, 2000.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Robert E. Feldman,

Executive 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 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 (12 U.S.C. 1843). Unless otherwise noted, nonbanking activities will be conducted throughout the United States. Additional information on all bank holding companies may be obtained from the National Information Center website at www.ffiec.gov/nic/.

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 May 23, 2000.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis (Randall C. Sumner, Vice President) 411 Locust Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63166-2034:

1. *National Commerce Bancorporation*, Memphis, Tennessee; to merge with CCB Financial Corporation, Durham, North Carolina, and thereby indirectly acquire Central Carolina Bank and Trust Co., Durham, North Carolina, and Central Carolina Bank—Georgia, Columbus, Georgia.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City (D. Michael Manies, Assistant Vice President) 925 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri 64198-0001:

1. *FNB Financial Services, Inc.*, Durant, Oklahoma; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of FNB Lockney, Lockney, Texas.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, April 24, 2000.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Associate Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Sunshine Meeting Notice

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

TIME AND DATE: 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 3, 2000.

PLACE: Marriner S. Eccles Federal Reserve Board Building, 20th and C Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20551.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Personnel actions (appointments, promotions, assignments, reassignments, and salary actions) involving individual Federal Reserve System employees.

2. Any matters carried forward from a previously announced meeting.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Lynn S. Fox, Assistant to the Board; 202-452-3204.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: You may call 202-452-3206 beginning at approximately 5 p.m. two business days before the meeting for a recorded announcement of bank and bank holding company applications scheduled for the meeting; or you may contact the Board's Web site at <http://www.federalreserve.gov> for an electronic announcement that not only lists applications, but also indicates procedural and other information about the meeting.

Dated: April 26, 2000.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Associate Secretary of the Board.

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