| Trans # | Acquiring | Acquired | Entities | | | |
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| Transactions Granted Early Termination—07/30/2001 | | | | | | |
| 20011563 | W. Galen Weston | Unilever N.V | Bestfoods Baking Co., Inc., Thomas | | | |
| 20012106 | | Dr. Reddy's Laboratories Limited | Dr. Reddy's Laboratorires Limited | | | |
| 20012142 | PRIMEDIA Inc | Emap plc | Emap, Inc. | | | |
| 20012179 | Penauille Polyservices, S.A | Deutsche Lufthansa AG | GlobeGround GmbH | | | |
| Transactions Granted Early Termination—08/01/2001 | | | | | | |
| 20012144 | Duke Energy Corporation | Enron Corp | New Albany Power I, L.L.C. | | | |
| 20012150 | Technip | Coflexip, S.A | Coflexip, S.A. | | | |
| 20012176 | XCare.net, Inc | Healthcare.com Corporation | Healthcare.com Corporation | | | |
| 20012186 | Conectiv | Chris D. Galligan, a natural person | Haymoor, LLC | | | |
| Transactions Granted Early Termination—08/02/2001 | | | | | | |
| 20012143 | Barrick Gold Corporation | Homestake Mining Company | Homestake Mining Company | | | |
| 20012170 | Sanmina Corporation | Alcatel | Alcatel USA Sourcing, L.P. | | | |
| Transactions Granted Early Termination—08/03/2001 | | | | | | |
| 20012166 | Florida Rock Industries, Inc | Golder, Thoma, Cressey, Rauner Fund IV, L.P | Bama Crushed Corporation BHY Ready Mix, Inc. Bradley Stone & Sand, Inc. Deklab Stone, Inc. Gove Materials Corporation Mulberry Rock Corporation SRM Aggregates, Inc. | | | |
| 20012167 | Cargill Incorporated | Emmpak Foods, Inc | Emmpak Foods, Inc. | | | |
| 20012192 | Centerpoint Broadband Tech- nologies, Inc | Zaffire, Inc | Zaffire, Inc. | | | |
| 20012193 | G. Drew Conway | Renaissance Worldwide, Inc | Renaissance Worldwide, Inc. | | | |
| 20012196 | | Schreiner Luchtvaart Groep B.V | Schreiner Aviation Training B.V. | | | |
| 20012202 | aaiPharma Inc | AstraZeneca plc | AstraZeneca plc | | | |
| 20012217 | William B. Turner | Synovus Financial Corp | Synovus Financial Corp. | | | |

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sandra M. Peay or Parcellena P. Fielding, Contact Representatives, Federal Trade Commission, Premerger Notification Office, Bureau of Competition, Room 303, Washington, DC 20580, (202) 326–3100.

By Direction of the Commission.

Donald S. Clark,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

Granting of Request for Early Termination of the Waiting Period Under the Premerger Notification Rules

Section 7A of the Clayton Act, 15 U.S.C. 18a, as added by Title II of the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, requires persons contemplating certain mergers or acquisitions to give the Federal Trade Commission and the Assistant Attorney General advance notice and to wait designated periods before consummation of such plans. Section 7A(b)(2) of the Act permits the agencies, in individual cases, to terminate this waiting period prior to its expiration and requires that notice of this action be published in the **Federal Register**.

The following transactions were granted early termination of the waiting period provided by law and the permerger notification rules. The grants were made by the Federal Trade Commission and the Assistant Attorney General for the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice. Neither agency intends to take any action with respect to these proposed acquisitions during the applicable waiting period.

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| Transactions Granted Early Termination—08/06/2001 | | | | | |
| 20012163 | Madison Dearborn Capital Partners IV, L.P. | Thomas O. Hicks | Southwest Sports Television, L.P. | | |
| 20012197 20012199 | Atlas Air Worldwide Holdings, Inc Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, L.P. | General Electric Company Occidental Petroleum Corporation | Polar Air Cargo, Inc. Occidental Texas Pipeline, L.P. | | |

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| | Transactions Granted Earl | y Termination—08/08/2001 | |
| 20010071 | Premdor Inc | International Paper Company | International Paper Investment Corporation; International Paper Masonite Holdings Co., Ltd; International Paper Trademark Company; Masonite Corpora- tion; Pintu Acquisition Com- pany, Inc. |
| 20012161 20012162 20012175 | - | Charming Shoppes, Inc | Charming Shoppes, Inc. LBH, Inc. Luxury Imports of Palm Beach, Inc.; Palm Beach Lincoln, Mercury, Inc. |
| 20012180 20012194 20012206 | Affiliated Computer Services, Inc | BNP Paribas Lockheed Martin Corporation Sanofi-Synthelabo | Via North America, Inc. Lockheed Martin IMS Corporation. Sanofi-Synthelabo, Inc. |
| 20012207 | poration. Osburne Jay Call | Robert J. Welsh | Welsh, Inc. |
| | Transactions Granted Earl | y Termination—08/10/2001 | |
| 20012148 | | Novant Health, Inc | PARTNERS National Health |
| 20012201 20012205 20012218 | | DaimlerChrysler AG Hino Motors, Ltd Roper Starch Worldwide, Inc | Plans of North Carolina, Inc. debris Financial Services, Inc. Hino Motors, Ltd. Roper Starch Worldwide, Inc. |
| 20012219 20012224 | Cisco Systems, Inc EQT Northern Europe AG | Allegro Systems, Inc | Allegro Systems, Inc. Duni AB. |
| 20012227 20012228 | The Profit Recovery Group International, Inc. Howard Schultz | The Profit Recovery Group International, Inc. | Howard Schultz & Association International, Inc. The Profit Recovery Group Inter- national, Inc. |
| 20012229 | · · | Edison International | Gordonsville Energy, L.P. |
| 20012233 20012237 | | Microsoft Corporation Thomas A. Morton Family Trust | Expedia, Inc. McMorgan & Co. |
| 20012238 | Forstmann Little & Co. Equity Partnership—VII, L.P. | McLeodUSA Incorporated | McLeodUSA Incorporated. |
| 2001224420012249 | | Voting Trust dated December 10, 1998. | Lucent Technologies Inc. Crothall Services Group. |
| | Transactions Granted Earl | y Termination—08/13/2001 | |
| 20011943 | First Health Group Corp | HCA-The Healthcare Company | CCN Managed Care, Inc. |
| 20012198 20012215 | General Motors Corporation Nokia Corporation | The 1960 Trust | Cooper River Funding, Inc. Amber Networks, Inc. |
| | Transactions Granted Earl | y Termination—08/14/2001 | |
| 20012164 | Sonoco Products Company Sonoco Products Company Conexant Systems, Inc OCM/GFI Power Opportunities Fund. L.P. | Robert J. Cloud Thomas L. Olson SiRF Holdings, Inc Enron Corp | U.S. Paper Mills Corporation. U.S. Paper Mills Corporation. SiRF Holdings, Inc. UtiliQuest, LLC. |
| 20012223 | Cox Enterprises, Inc | Cox Enterprises, Inc | Manheim Remarketing Limited Partnership. |
| 20012240 | The Governor and Company of the Bank of Scotland. | Halifax Group plc | Halifax Group plc. |
| 20012241 | Halifax Group plc | The Governor and Company of the Bank of Scotland. | The Governor and Company of the Bank of Scotland. |
| 20012243 | Reuters plc | ProTrader Group Limited Partnership. | ProTrader Group Limited Partnership. |
| 20012248 | Brinker International, Inc | The Sydran Group, LLC | Sydran Foods Services III, L.P. |
| 20012226 | Transactions Granted Earl | - | Securent Technologies Inc |
| 20012236 | RSA Security Inc | Securant Technologies, Inc | Securant Technologies, Inc. |
| | Transactions Granted Earl | | |
| 20011962 20012251 | LSI Logic Corporation | Subramonian Shankar Welfide Corporation | American Megatrends, Inc. Welfide Corporation. |

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| 20012272 | Pegasus Partners II, L.P | Golden Books Family Entertainment, Inc., debtor-in-possession. | |

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By Direction of the Commission.

Donald S. Clark,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics: Meeting

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services announces the following advisory committee meeting.

Name: National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics (NCVHS).

Times and Dates: 9:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m., September 24, 2001, 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m., September 25, 2001.

Place: Conference Room 705A, Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue S.W., Washington D.C. 20201. Status: Open.

Purpose: The National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics is scheduled to meet on September 24-25, 2001. The NCVHS is the Department's statutory public advisory body on health data, statistics, and health information policy. In addition, the Committee advises HHS on the implementation of the Administrative Simplification provisions of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPPA). The meeting will focus on a variety of health data policy and privacy issues. Department officials will update the Committee on recent activities of the HHS Data Council and the status of HHS activities in implementing the administrative simplification provisions of HIPAA. A briefing from the HHS Deputy Chief Information Officer is planned, and GAO staff will brief the Committee on confidentiality practices and issues in record linkage for research purposes.

The Committee is also expected to discuss and take action on recommendations to HHS from the Privacy and Confidentiality Subcommittee relating to the implementation of the HIPAA Health Information Privacy regulation, following a subcommittee public hearing on the subject in August. Subcommittee breakout sessions also are planned.

All topics are tentative and subject to change. Prior to the meeting, please check the NCVHS web site, where a detailed agenda will be posted when available.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Substantive information as well as

summaries of NCVHS meetings and a roster of committee members may be obtained by visiting the NCVHS website (http://ncvhs.hhs.gov) where an agenda for the meeting will be posted when available. Additional information may be obtained by calling James Scanlon, NCVHS Executive Staff Director, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, DHHS, Room 440-D. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20201, telephone (202) 690-7100, or Marjorie S. Greenberg, Executive Secretary, NCVHS, NCHS, CDC, Room 1100, Presidential Building, 6525 Belcrest Road, Hyattsville, Maryland 20782, telephone (301) 458-4245.

Note: In the interest of security, the Department has instituted stringent procedures for entrance to the Hubert H. Humphrey Building by non-government employees. Thus, individuals without a government identification card may need to have the guard call for an escort to the meeting room.

Dated: September 4, 2001.

James Scanlon,

Director, Division of Data Policy. [FR Doc. 01-22820 Filed 9-11-01; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4151-05-M

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

[CMS-2119-N]

Medicare, Medicaid, and CLIA Programs; Continuance of the Approval of the College of American Pathologists as a CLIA Accreditation Organization

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the continuance of the approval of the College of American Pathologists (CAP) as an accreditation organization for laboratories under the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments

of 1988 (CLIA). We found that the accreditation process of this organization provides reasonable assurance that the laboratories accredited by it meet the conditions required by CLIA statute and regulations. Consequently, laboratories that voluntarily become accredited by CAP in lieu of direct Federal oversight and continue to meet CAP requirements would meet the CLIA condition level requirements for laboratories and, therefore, are not subject to routine inspection by State survey agencies to determine their compliance with CLIA requirements. However, they are subject to Federal validation and complaint investigation surveys.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This notice is effective for the period September 12, 2001 through September 30, 2007.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Val Coppola, (410) 786-3531.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background and Legislative Authority

On July 31, 1992, we published a final rule in the Federal Register (57 FR 33992) that implemented section 353(e)(2) of the Public Health Service Act. Under this rule CMS may approve a private, nonprofit organization to accredit clinical laboratories (that is, an approved accreditation organization) under the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988 (CLIA) if the organization meets certain requirements. An organization's requirements for accredited laboratories must be equal to, or more stringent than, the applicable CLIA program requirements in 42 CFR part 493 (Laboratory Requirements). A laboratory accredited by an approved accreditation organization that meets and continues to meet all of the accreditation organization's requirements would be considered to meet CLIA condition level requirements as if it was inspected against CLIA regulations. The regulations in 42 CFR part 493, subpart E (Accreditation by a Private, Nonprofit Accreditation Organization or Exemption Under an Approved State Laboratory Program) specify the requirements an accreditation organization must meet in order to be approved. CMS approves an accreditation organization for a period not to exceed 6 years.