shares of First Midwest Bank of Poplar Bluff, Poplar Bluff, Missouri.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, November 5, 2003.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy 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 (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 Web site 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 December 5, 2003.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Boston (Richard Walker, Community Affairs Officer) 600 Atlantic Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts 02106-2204:

1. New Alliance Bancshares, Inc., New Haven, Connecticut; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of The New Haven Savings Bank, New Haven, Connecticut, and Connecticut Bankshares, Inc., Manchester, Connecticut; Alliance Bancorp of New England, Inc., Vernon, Connecticut; Tolland Bank, Vernon, Connecticut; and The Savings Bank of Manchester, Manchester, Connecticut.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (Sue Costello, Vice President) 1000 Peachtree Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30303:

1. CBS Financial Corporation, Smyrna, Georgia; to become a bank holding company by acquiring control of Community Bank of the South, Smyrna, Georgia.

C. Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis (Richard M. Todd, Vice President and Community Affairs Officer) 90 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55480-0291:

1. State Bank of Cokato ESOP II, Cokato, Minnesota; to acquire additional shares, for a total of 100 percent of the voting shares of Cokato Bancshares, Inc., Cokato, Minnesota, and thereby indirectly acquire State Bank of Cokato, Cokato, Minnesota.

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

Office of Governmentwide Policy; Cancellation of an Optional Form by the Department of State

AGENCY: General Services Administration.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of State is cancelling the following Optional Form because of low demand in the Federal Supply Service: OF 144, Temporary Duty (TDY) Official Travel Authorization.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Charles Cunnigham, Department of State, 202.312–9605.

DATES: Effective November 12, 2003.

Dated: November 3, 2003.

Barbara M. Williams,

Deputy Standard and Optional Forms Management Officer, General Services Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Notice of Upcoming Public Consultation

AGENCY: Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Notice of upcoming public consultation.

SUMMARY: The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), in conjunction with the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI), will be holding a one-day Consultation Session on December 2, 2003 at the Sheraton Wild Horse Pass Resort in Phoenix, Arizona.

DATES: December 2, 2003.

Consultation Submission Information: Those interested in submitting Consultation Session topics for the agenda or participating in the tribal planning committee to assist in the development of the Consultation Session agenda should contact NCAI Fellow Christina Morrow at (202) 466–7767 or *cmorrow@ncai.org.*

If you are proposing a topic to be addressed in the Consultation Session, please be sure to include a brief description of the topic and the name and contact information of the suggested presenter.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: ACF would like to invite Tribal leaders to participate in a formal Consultation Session, facilitated by NCAI. The Consultation Session will take place on Tuesday, December 2, 2003, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., the day before the ACF National Native American Conference. ACF senior leadership will be present for the Consultation Session.

The intent of this Consultation Session is for ACF officials to hear firsthand from tribal leaders, as well as representatives from tribal organizations and community-based non-profits, about the implementation of ACF programs in native communities. Of particular interest are the challenges that tribes and tribal organizations face in accessing ACF program funding and using programmatic funding to support social and economic development activities in Native American communities. ACF offices such as the Administration for Native Americans, the Office of Child Support Enforcement, the Office of Community Services, the Office of Family Assistance, the Child Care Bureau, the Children's Bureau, the Head Start

Bureau, and the Family and Youth Services Bureau will be represented.

Because of the limited time for this day-long Consultation Session, ACF has partnered with the NCAI to plan and facilitate the session. NCAI will be responsible for coordinating the stakeholders who wish to participate in the Consultation Session. NCAI will work with a tribal planning committee to develop a structured agenda, identifying key issues to be raised and spokespersons to present testimony on the issues.

For further information for the ACF National Native American Conference contact: Stacia Henderson at 703–821–2226 x232 at Native American Management Services, Inc. (NAMS) or toll-free 866–313–2955 or on-line at: *http://www.acfconference@namsinc.org.*

Dated: November 5, 2003.

Quanah Crossland Stamps,

Commissioner, Administration for Native Americans.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 2003N–0481]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Food Additive Petitions

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (the PRA), Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information and to allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on food additive petitions.

DATES: Submit written or electronic comments on the collection of information by January 12, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Submit electronic comments on the collection of information to: *http://www.fda.gov/dockets/ecomments.* Submit written comments on the collection of information to the Division of Dockets Management (HFA–305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852. All comments should be identified with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Denver Presley, Office of Management Programs (HFA–250), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301–827–1472.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. ''Collection of information'' is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c) and includes agency requests or requirements that members of the public submit reports, keep records, or provide information to a third party. Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)) requires Federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed [extension/reinstatement] of an existing collection of information, before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, FDA is publishing notice of the proposed collection of information set forth in this document.

With respect to the following collection of information, FDA invites comments on these topics: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of FDA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of FDA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques, when appropriate, and other forms of information technology.

Food Additive Petitions—21 CFR Part 571

Section 409(a) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the act) (21 U.S.C. 348(a)) provides that a food additive shall be deemed to be unsafe unless its use is permitted by a regulation that prescribes the condition(s) under which it may safely be used, or unless it is exempted by regulation for investigational use. Section 409(b) of the act specifies the information that must be submitted by a petition in order to establish the safety of a food additive and to secure the issuance of a regulation permitting its use.

To implement the provision of section 409 of the act, procedural regulations have been issued under part 571 (21 CFR part 571). These procedural regulations are designed to specify more thoroughly the information that must be submitted to meet the requirement set down in broader terms by the law. The regulations add no substantive requirements to those indicated in the law, but attempt to explain the requirements and provide a standard format for submission to speed the processing of the petition. Labeling requirements for food additives intended for animal consumption are also set forth in various regulations contained in 21 CFR parts 572, 573, and 580. The labeling regulations are considered by FDA to be cross referenced to § 571.1, which is the subject of this same OMB clearance for food additive petitions.

FDA estimates the burden of this collection of information as follows:

TABLE 1—ESTIMATED ANNUAL REPORTING BURDEN[1]

21 CFR Section	Number of Respondents	Annual Frequency per Response	Total Annual Responses	Hours per Response	Total Hours
571.1(c) moderate category	1	1	1	1,800	1,800
571.1(c) complex category	1	1	1	6,000	6,000
571.6	2	2	4	1,300	5,200