

FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM**Change in Bank Control Notices; Acquisition of Shares of Bank 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 office 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 December 22, 2003.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City (James Hunter, Assistant Vice President) 925 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri 64198-0001:

1. *Jeffrey Reder*, Westminster, Colorado; William Schmidt, Westminster, Colorado; and Tschudy Schmidt, Fort Collins, Colorado; to acquire additional voting shares of Mountain States Bancorporation, Denver, Colorado, and thereby indirectly acquire additional voting shares of Mountain States Bank, Denver, Colorado.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, December 2, 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 website at <http://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 January 1, 2004.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland (Nadine W. Wallman, Assistant Vice President) 1455 East Sixth Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44101-2566:

1. *National City Corporation*, Cleveland, Ohio; to merge with Allegiant Bancorp, Inc., and thereby acquire Allegiant Bank, both of St. Louis, Missouri.

In connection with this application, National City Corporation also has applied to acquire Allegiant Community Development Corporation, Allegiant Investment Counselors, Inc., and Equality Commodity Corporation, all in St. Louis, Missouri, and thereby engage in community development financing and investment activities; financing and investment advisory activities; and flood determination services activities pursuant to Sections 225.28(b)(12)(i), 225.28(b)(6), and 225.28(b)(2) of Regulation Y.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago (Patrick Wilder, Managing Examiner) 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60690-1414:

1. *Bank of Montreal*, Toronto, Canada, Bankmont Financial Corp., Wilmington, Delaware, and Harris Bankcorp, Inc., Chicago, Illinois; to merge with Lakeland Financial Corp., Round Lake Heights, Illinois, and thereby indirectly acquire Lakeland Community Bank, Round Lake Heights, Illinois.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, December 2, 2003.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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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 January 2, 2004.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City (James Hunter, Assistant Vice President) 925 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri 64198-0001:

1. *Lindoe, Inc.*, Ordway, Colorado, to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of First National Bank of Lake City & Creede, Lake City, Colorado.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas (W. Arthur Tribble, Vice President) 2200 North Pearl Street, Dallas, Texas 75201-2272:

1. *Southwest Bancorporation of Texas, Inc.*, Houston, Texas, and Southwest Holding Delaware, Inc., Wilmington, Delaware, to acquire 100 percent of Reunion Bancshares, Inc., Dallas, Texas, and indirectly acquire Reunion Bancshares-Delaware, Inc., Dover, Delaware, and Lone Star Bank, Dallas, Texas.

In connection with this application, Southwest Bancorporation of Texas, Inc., Houston, Texas, and Southwest Holding Delaware, Inc., Wilmington, Delaware also have applied to acquire Reunion Mortgage Services, Inc., Dallas, Texas, and thereby engage in nonbanking activities pursuant to section 225.28(b)(1) of Regulation Y.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, December 3, 2003.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Sunshine Act Meeting

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

TIME AND DATE: 11:30 p.m., Monday, December 15, 2003.

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 items carried forward from a previously announced meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michelle A. Smith, Director, Office of Board Members; 202-452-2955.

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.

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

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

Oncologic Drugs Advisory Committee; Amendment of Notice

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing an amendment to the notice of meeting of the Oncologic Drugs Advisory Committee. This meeting was announced in the **Federal Register** of November 18, 2003 (68 FR 65076-65077). The amendment is being made to reflect a change in the *Location* portion of the document. There are no other changes.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Johanna Clifford, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (HFD-21), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, or by express delivery to: 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1093, Rockville, MD 20852, 301-827-7001, or FDA Advisory Committee Information Line, 1-800-741-8138 (301-443-0572 in the Washington, DC area), code 3014512542. Please call the Information Line for up-to-date information on this meeting.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the **Federal Register** of November 18, 2003 (68 FR 65076-65077), FDA announced that a meeting of the Oncologic Drugs Advisory Committee would be held on December 16, 2003. On page 65077, in the first column, the *Location* portion of the meeting is amended to read as follows:

Location: CDER Advisory Committee conference rm. 1066, 5630 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD.

This notice is issued under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. app. 2) and 21 CFR part 14, relating to advisory committees.

Dated: December 3, 2003.

William K. Hubbard,

Associate Commissioner for Policy and Planning.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

Findings of Scientific Misconduct

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Office of Research Integrity (ORI) and the Acting Assistant Secretary for Health have taken final action in the following case:

Jianhua (James) Xu, M.S., University of Alberta: Based on the University of Alberta (UA) Report, the respondent's admissions, and additional analysis conducted by ORI in its oversight review, the U.S. Public Health Service (PHS) found that Jianhua (James) Xu, M.S., former technician at UA, engaged in scientific misconduct in research funded by National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI), National Institutes of Health (NIH), grant R01 HL61751-01.

Mr. Xu performed experiments on the enzyme lipid phosphate phosphatase-1 (LPP-1) from a family of enzymes that affect signal transduction by glycerolipid and sphingolipid phosphate esters as second messengers. A typical experiment involved the investigation of the effects on various glycerolipids, sphingolipids, and other related effector compounds on the activity of LPP-1 either in tissue culture cells or isolated enzyme preparations. Mr. Xu falsified data by adding vanadate to inhibit the enzyme LPP-1, in experiments that purported to show that the inhibition was the result of adding natural lipid effectors. He was also observed deliberately falsifying other colleagues' experiments in a similar manner.

Mr. Xu admits that he alone was responsible for the falsification.

Specifically, Mr. Xu committed scientific misconduct by falsifying data for Figures 1A, 1B, 1C, 2B, 2D, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8A that he published in: James Xu, *et al.* "Lipid phosphate phosphatase-1 and Ca²⁺ control lysophosphatidate signaling through EDG-2 receptors." *Journal of Biological Chemistry* 275:27520-27530, 2000. The paper was retracted in *Journal of Biological Chemistry* 278:38104, 2003.

Due to the falsified data, Manuscript #C0007049 by Xu, *et al.* entitled "Transactivation of platelet-derived growth factor receptors by lysophosphatidate causes tryrosine phosphorylation of lipid phosphate phosphatase-1 and feedback inhibition of EDG-2 receptor activation" was withdrawn. Also, ORI concluded Mr. Xu committed scientific misconduct by deliberately falsifying experiments of other colleagues in the laboratory by adding vanadate to their experiments without the authorization or knowledge of his colleagues.