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On June 15, 2004, the Media Bureau ("Bureau") released a Public Notice seeking comment on constitutionally permissible ways to further the mandates of section 257 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, 47 U.S.C. 257, which directs the Commission to identify and eliminate market entry barriers for small telecommunications businesses, and section 309(j) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. 309(j), which requires the Commission to further opportunities in the allocation of spectrum-based services for small businesses and businesses owned by women and minorities.¹ The deadlines to file comments and reply comments were originally set as July 22, 2004, and August 6, 2004, respectively.² At the request of the Minority Media and Telecommunications Council ("MMTC"), the Bureau extended the comment deadline to September 10, 2004, and the reply comment deadline to October 8, 2004.³

MMTC now requests that these deadlines be further extended to October 10, 2004, for comments and to November 8, 2004, for reply comments.⁴ MMTC states that the three consultants it has engaged to assist with MMTC's comments need more time to complete their research and analyses, as the task has proved more complex than originally believed. Given the complexity of the legal issues involved, the heightened constitutional standards that apply, and our consequent interest in obtaining a rigorous and comprehensive analysis, we believe that granting MMTC's request for more time will serve the public interest. The new deadline to file comments will be October 12, 2004, and the new deadline to file reply comments will be November 8, 2004.⁵

¹ 69 FR 34672, June 22, 2004.

² *Comment and Reply Comment Dates Set for Comments on Ways to Further Section 257 Mandate and to Build on Earlier Studies*, Public Notice, MB Docket No. 04-228, DA 04-1758 (MB June 22, 2004).

³ 69 FR 42996, July 19, 2004.

⁴ MMTC Motion for Further Extension of Time (Sept. 7, 2004).

⁵ We are extending the comment deadline to October 12, 2004, because the date requested by MMTC, October 10, 2004, is a Sunday, and October 11, 2004, is a Federal holiday.

Federal Communications Commission.

Thomas L. Horan,

Legal Advisor, Media Bureau.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Notice of Agreements Filed

The Commission hereby gives notice of the filing of the following agreements under the Shipping Act of 1984.

Interested parties may obtain copies of agreements by contacting the Commission's Office of Agreements at 202-523-5793 or via e-mail at tradeanalysis@fmc.gov. Interested parties may submit comments on an agreement to the Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, DC 20573, within 10 days of the date this notice appears in the **Federal Register**.

Agreement No.: 011834-001.

Title: Maersk Sealand/Hapag-Lloyd/Mediterranean U.S. East Coast Slot Charter Agreement.

Parties: A.P. Moller Maersk A/S and Hapag-Lloyd Container Linie GmbH.

Filing Party: Wayne R. Rohde, Esq.; Sher & Blackwell; 1850 M Street, NW.; Suite 900; Washington, DC 20036.

Synopsis: The amendment adds the trade from the U.S. East Coast to Italian ports in the Gioia Tauro to Genoa range to the geographic scope of the agreement.

Agreement No.: 011852-010.

Title: Maritime Security Discussion Agreement.

Parties: American President Lines, Ltd.; APL Co. Pte Ltd.; Australia-New Zealand Direct Line; China Shipping Container Lines, Co., Ltd.; Canada Maritime; CMA CGM, S.A.; Contship Container Lines; COSCO Container Lines Company, Ltd.; CP Ships (UK) Limited; Evergreen Marine Corp.; Hanjin Shipping Company, Ltd.; Hapag Lloyd Container Linie GmbH; Hyundai Merchant Marine Co., Ltd.; Italia di Navigazione, LLC; Kawasaki Kisen Kaisha Ltd.; Lykes Lines Limited, LLC; Mitsui O.S.K. Lines, Ltd.; Nippon Yusen Kaisha; Orient Overseas Container Line Limited; P&O Nedlloyd Limited; TMM Lines Limited, LLC; Yang Ming Marine Transport Corp.; Zim Israel Navigation Co., Ltd.; Alabama State Port Authority; APM Terminals North America, Inc.; Ceres Terminals, Inc.; Cooper/T. Smith Stevedoring Co., Inc.; Eagle Marine Services Ltd.; Global Terminal & Container Services, Inc.; Howland Hook Container Terminal, Inc.; Husky Terminal & Stevedoring, Inc.; International Shipping Agency; International Transportation Service,

Inc.; Lambert's Point Docks Inc.; Long Beach Container Terminal, Inc.; Maersk Pacific Ltd.; Maher Terminals, Inc.; Marine Terminals Corp.; Maryland Port Administration; Massachusetts Port Authority; Metropolitan Stevedore Co.; P&O Ports North American, Inc.; Port of Tacoma; South Carolina State Ports Authority; Stevedoring Services of America, Inc.; Trans Bay Container Terminal, Inc.; TraPac Terminals; Universal Maritime Service Corp.; Virginia International Terminals; and Yusen Terminals, Inc.

Filing Parties: Carol N. Lambos; Lambos & Junge; 29 Broadway, 9th Floor; New York, NY 10006 and Charles T. Carroll, Jr.; Carroll & Froelich, PLLC; 2011 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW.; Suite 301; Washington, DC 20006.

Synopsis: The amendment deletes Maersk Sealand and Safmarine as parties to the agreement.

Dated: September 10, 2004.

By Order of the Federal Maritime Commission.

Bryant L. VanBrakle,

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 October 8, 2004.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of New York (Jay Bernstein, Bank Supervision Officer) 33 Liberty Street, New York, New York 10045-0001:

1. *Excel Bancorp LLC*, New York, New York to become a bank holding company by acquiring 96.93 percent of the voting shares of Excel Bank, National Association, New York, New York.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis (Jacqueline G. Nicholas, Community Affairs Officer) 90 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55480-0291:

1. *First National Bancorp, Inc.*, Brewster, Minnesota; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Nobles Agency, Inc., Brewster, Minnesota, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of The First National Bank of Brewster, Brewster, Minnesota. Applicant also proposes through the acquisition of Nobles Agency, Inc., Brewster, Minnesota, to engage in insurance agency activities in a town with a population not exceeding 5,000, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(11)(iii)(A) of Regulation Y.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, September 9, 2004.

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 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 October 12, 2004.

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

1. *United Community Banks, Inc.*, Blairsville, Georgia; to merge with Liberty National Bancshares, Inc., and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of Liberty National Bank, both of Conyers, Georgia.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City (Donna J. Ward, Assistant Vice President) 925 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri 64198-0001:

1. *Country Bancshares, Inc.*, Jamesport, Missouri; to retain 9.14 percent of the voting shares of Branson Bancshares, Inc., and thereby indirectly retain voting shares of Branson Bank, both of Branson, Missouri.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, September 10, 2004.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Notice of Proposals to Engage in Permissible Nonbanking Activities or to Acquire Companies that are Engaged in Permissible Nonbanking Activities

The companies listed in this notice have given notice under section 4 of the Bank Holding Company Act (12 U.S.C. 1843) (BHC Act) and Regulation Y (12 CFR Part 225) to engage *de novo*, or to

acquire or control voting securities or assets of a company, including the companies listed below, that engages either directly or through a subsidiary or other company, in a nonbanking activity that is listed in § 225.28 of Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.28) or that the Board has determined by Order to be closely related to banking and permissible for bank holding companies. Unless otherwise noted, these activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

Each notice is available for inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notice also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the question whether the proposal complies with the standards of section 4 of the BHC Act. 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 the applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than October 12, 2004.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland (Cindy C. West, Banking Supervisor) 1455 East Sixth Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44101-2566:

1. *Park National Corporation*, Newark, Ohio; to acquire First Federal Bancorp, Inc., and thereby indirectly acquire First Federal Savings Bank of Eastern Ohio, both of Zanesville, Ohio, and thereby engage in operating a savings association, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(4)(ii) of Regulation Y.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, September 10, 2004.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

Email Authentication Summit

AGENCIES: The Federal Trade Commission ("FTC" or the "Commission") and the National Institute of Standards and Technology ("NIST"), United States Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice announcing email authentication summit, request for comments, and solicitation of requests to participate.

DATES: The Email Authentication Summit will be held on November 9-10, 2004, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Federal Trade Commission, Satellite