

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 April 16, 2004.

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

1. *Central Banccompany*, Jefferson City, Missouri; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Community Bancs of Oklahoma, Inc., Tulsa, Oklahoma, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of Community Bank & Trust Company, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

2. *Peoples Holding Company*, Tupelo, Mississippi; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Peoples Merger Corporation, Knoxville, Tennessee, and thereby indirectly acquire Renasant Bancshares, Inc., Germantown, Tennessee, and thereby indirectly acquire Renasant Bank, Germantown, Tennessee. In connection with this application, People Merger Corporation also has applied to become a bank holding company.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, March 18, 2004.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

Time and Date: 11:30 a.m., Monday, March 29, 2004.

Place: Marriner S. Eccles Federal Reserve Board Building, 20th and C Streets NW., Washington, DC 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, March 19, 2004.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation; Medicare Program; Establishment of the Technical Review Panel on the Medicare Trustees Reports and Request for Nominations for Members

AGENCY: Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the establishment of the Technical Review Panel on the Medicare Trustees Reports and solicits nominations for members of the panel. The Medicare Board of Trustees has requested the Secretary of Health and Human Services (who is one of the Trustees) to establish a panel of technical experts to review the assumptions and methods underlying the Hospital Insurance (HI) and Supplementary Medical Insurance (SMI) Trust Fund annual reports. This notice also announces that on March 11, 2004 the Secretary signed the charter establishing the panel. The charter will terminate two years from the date the charter is signed, unless renewed by the Secretary.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Nominations for members will be considered if we receive them at the appropriate address, as provided below, before 5 p.m. on April 9, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Mail or deliver written nominations to the following address: Hubert H. Humphrey Building, Room 443-F.8, 200 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20201. Because of staffing and resource limitations, we cannot accept nominations by facsimile (FAX) or email transmission.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Andrew Cosgrove, (202) 205-8681.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Board of Trustees of the Medicare Trust Funds (the Hospital Insurance (HI) and Supplementary Medical Insurance (SMI) Trust Funds) report annually on the financial condition of the trust funds. The reports describe the trust funds' current and projected financial condition, within the next 10 years (the "short term") and indefinitely into the future (the "long term"). The Medicare Board of Trustees has requested the Secretary of Health and Human Services (who is one of the Trustees) to establish a panel of technical experts to review the assumptions and methods underlying the HI and SMI annual reports. The panel will consist of up to 7 members, selected by the Secretary or a designee, and a Chair, *who is appointed by the Secretary or a designee.*

The panel will meet periodically throughout its existence, until it has completed its work. The work of the panel is technical in nature and will concentrate on the long term financing of the Medicare program. We will prepare the agenda for the panel's activities, which will set the items for discussion.

We are requesting nominations for members to serve on the panel. Panel members serve with compensation, and travel, meals, lodging, and related expenses will be reimbursed in accordance with standard government travel regulations. We have a special interest in ensuring that women, minorities, and the physically challenged are adequately represented on the panel and encourage nominations of qualified candidates from those groups.

II. Provisions of This Notice

A. Criteria for Nominees

Nominees should possess knowledge, experience, and expertise in areas such as the Medicare program, health economics, and actuarial science, or any other relevant expertise.

It is not necessary that any nominee possesses expertise in all of the areas listed, but each should have significant, relevant experience in at least one area. Members of the panel will serve for the entire duration of the panel.

Any interested person may nominate one or more qualified individuals. Self-nominations will also be accepted. Each nomination must include a letter of nomination, a curriculum vita of the nominee, and a statement from the