

*General description of report:* This information collection is voluntary (15 U.S.C. 78q-l(c)(1)) and is not given confidential treatment.

*Abstract:* Banks, bank holding companies, and trust companies subject to the Federal Reserve's supervision that are low-volume transfer agents voluntarily file the FR 4013 notice on occasion with the Federal Reserve Board. Transfer agents are institutions that provide securities transfer, registration, monitoring, and other specified services on behalf of securities issuers. The purpose of the notice, which is effective until the agent withdraws it, is to claim exemption from certain rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). The Federal Reserve uses the notices for supervisory purposes because the SEC has assigned to the Federal Reserve responsibility for collecting the notices and verifying their accuracy through examinations of the respondents. The notice is made by letter; there is no reporting form.

*3. Report title:* Annual Survey of Eligible Bankers Acceptances

*Agency form number:* FR 2006

*OMB control number:* 7100-0055

*Frequency:* annual

*Reporters:* U.S. commercial banks, U.S. branches and agencies of foreign banks, Edge and agreement corporations

*Annual reporting hours:* 46

*Estimated average hours per response:* 0.65

*Number of respondents:* 70

Small businesses are not affected.

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*Abstract:* The FR 2006 report provides information on eligible U.S. dollar acceptances that are payable in the United States. The data are used for constructing the monetary aggregates, a nonfinancial debt aggregate, and a measure of short-and intermediate-term business credit.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, February 25, 1998.

**William W. Wiles,**

*Secretary of the Board.*

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## FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

### Change in Bank Control Notices; Acquisitions of Shares of Banks 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 offices 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 March 17, 1998

**A. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago** (Philip Jackson, Applications Officer) 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60690-1413:

*1. Gregory D. Shields,* Rowley, Iowa; to acquire additional voting shares of Shields Agency, Inc., Rowley, Iowa, and thereby indirectly acquire Rowley Savings Bank, Rowley, Iowa.

**B. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City** (D. Michael Manies, Assistant Vice President) 925 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri 64198-0001:

*1. The Pieper Family Limited Partnership, LLLP,* Calhan, Colorado; to acquire voting shares of Pieper Bancorp, Inc., Calhan, Colorado, and thereby indirectly acquire Farmers State Bank of Calhan, Calhan, Colorado.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, February 25, 1998.

**Jennifer J. Johnson,**

*Deputy Secretary of the Board.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Office of the Secretary

#### Office of Minority Health; Availability of Funds for Grants for the Bilingual/Bicultural Service Demonstration Grant Program

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, Office of Minority Health.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of funds and request for Applications for the Bilingual/Bicultural Service Demonstration Program.

**AUTHORITY:** This program is authorized under section 1707(d)(1) of the Public Health Service Act, as amended by Public Law 101-527, the Disadvantaged Minority Health Improvement Act of 1990.

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this Fiscal Year 1998 Bilingual/Bicultural Service Demonstration Grant Program is to:

(1) Improve and expand the capacity for linguistic and cultural competence of health care professionals and paraprofessionals working with limited-English-proficient (LEP) minority communities and

(2) Improve the accessibility and utilization of health care services among the LEP minority populations.

These grants are intended to demonstrate the merit of programs that involve partnerships between minority community-based organizations and health care facilities in a collaborative effort to address cultural and linguistic barriers to effective health care service delivery and to increase access to effective health care for the LEP minority populations living in the United States.

The Public Health Service (PHS) is committed to achieving the health promotion and disease prevention objectives of Healthy People 2000, a PHS-led national activity to reduce morbidity and mortality and to improve the quality of life. Potential applicants may obtain a copy of Healthy People 2000 which is available through the Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402-9325 or telephone (202) 783-8238 (Full Report: Stock No. 017-001-00474-0). Another reference is the Healthy People 2000 Review—1997. One free copy may be obtained from the National Center for Health Statistics, 6525 Belcrest Road, Room 1064, Hyattsville, MD 20782 or telephone (301) 436-8500. (DHHS Publication No. (PHS) 98-1256)

### Background

Large numbers of minorities in the United States are linguistically isolated. According to the 1990 U.S. Census, 31.8 million persons or 13 percent of the total U.S. population (ages 5 and above) speak a language other than English at home. Almost 2 million people do not speak English at all and 4.8 million people do not speak English well. The 1990 U.S. Census also found that various minority populations and subgroups are linguistically isolated: Approximately 4 million Hispanics; approximately 1.6 million Asians and Pacific Islanders; approximately 282,000 Blacks; and approximately 77,000 Native Americans and Alaska Natives.

Besides the social, cultural and linguistic barriers, which affect the delivery of adequate health care, there are other factors that contribute to the poor health status of LEP minority people. These factors include: