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Interested persons may submit replies (an original and 15 copies) to the Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, DC 20573 on or before December 10, 1999.¹ Replies must also be served on counsel for Petitioner: Edward D. Greenberg, Galland, Kharasch, Greenberg, Fellman & Swirsky P.C., 1054 31st St., NW, Washington, DC 20007. Replies shall contain the complete factual and legal presentation of the replying party as to the desired resolution of the petition, pursuant to 46 CFR 502.68(d).

Copies of the petition are available for examination at the Office of the Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, 800 North Capitol St., N.W., Room 1046, Washington, DC.

Bryant L. VanBrakle,
Secretary.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Agency Information Collection

Activities: Announcement of Board Approval Under Delegated Authority and Submission to OMB

AGENCY: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

SUMMARY:

Background. Notice is hereby given of the final approval of proposed information collection(s) by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Board) under OMB delegated authority, as per 5 CFR 1320.16 (OMB Regulations on Controlling Paperwork Burdens on the Public). Board-approved collections of information are incorporated into the official OMB inventory of currently approved collections of information. Copies of the OMB 83-Is and supporting statements and approved collection of information instruments are placed into OMB's public docket files. The Federal Reserve may not conduct or sponsor, and the respondent is not required to respond to, an information collection that has been extended, revised, or implemented on or after October 1, 1995, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Chief, Financial Reports Section--Mary M. West--Division of Research and Statistics, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington,

DC 20551 (202-452-3829); OMB Desk Officer--Alexander T. Hunt--Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 3208, Washington, DC 20503 (202-395-7860).

Discontinuation of the following report:

1. *Report title:* Commercial Bank Report of Consumer Credit.

Agency form number: FR 2571.

OMB Control number: 7100-0080.

Effective Date: Mid-year 2000.

Frequency: Monthly.

Reporters: Commercial Banks.

Annual reporting hours: 2,475 hours.

Estimated average hours per response: 33 minutes.

Number of respondents: 375 commercial banks.

Small businesses are affected.

General description of report: This information collection is voluntary (12 U.S.C. 248(a)(2)) and is given confidential treatment (5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4)).

Abstract: The FR 2571 collects information on outstanding consumer credit, by type, as of the last business day of the month, from a sample of commercial banks. This survey, however, has become less reliable in recent years. Sales of loan portfolios between banks inside and outside of the FR 2571 sample cause the estimated amount of consumer credit held or securitized by commercial banks to fluctuate sharply relative to that held or securitized by the commercial bank universe. Extensive ad hoc adjustments are often needed to keep the consumer credit data in what is believed to be a reasonable range. The accuracy of these adjustments is unknown until staff benchmark total commercial bank consumer credit to the quarterly Consolidated Reports of Condition and Income (Call Report; FFIEC 031-034).

Current Actions The Federal Reserve will discontinue the FR 2571 as of mid-year 2000. Questions on revolving consumer loans and securitized total and revolving consumer loans were added to the bank credit reports: the Weekly Report of Assets and Liabilities for Large Banks (FR 2416), the Weekly Report of Selected Assets (FR 2644), and the Weekly Report of Assets and Liabilities for Large U.S. Branches and Agencies of Foreign Banks (FR 2069).

Final approval under OMB delegated authority of the extension for three years, with revision of the following reports:

1. *Report title:* Weekly Report of Assets and Liabilities for Large Banks.

Agency form number: FR 2416.

OMB control number: 7100-0075.

Effective Date: Mid-June 2000.

Frequency: Weekly.

Reporters: U.S.-chartered commercial banks.

Annual reporting hours: 18,850.

Estimated average hours per response: 7.25 hours.

Number of respondents: 50.

Small businesses are not affected.

General description of report: This information collection is voluntary (12 U.S.C. §§ 225(a) and 248(a)(2)) and is given confidential treatment (5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4)).

2. *Report title:* Weekly Report of Selected Assets.

Agency form number: FR 2644.

OMB control number: 7100-0075.

Effective Date: Mid-June 2000.

Frequency: Weekly.

Reporters: U.S.-chartered commercial banks.

Annual reporting hours: 66,924.

Estimated average hours per response: 1.17 hours.

Number of respondents: 1,100.

Small businesses are affected.

General description of report: This information collection is voluntary (12 U.S.C. §§ 225(a) and 248(a)(2)) and is given confidential treatment (5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4)).

3. *Report title:* Weekly Report of Assets and Liabilities for Large U.S. Branches and Agencies of Foreign Banks.

Agency form number: FR 2069.

OMB control number: 7100-0030.

Effective Date: Mid-June 2000.

Frequency: Weekly.

Reporters: U.S. branches and agencies of foreign (non-U.S.) banks.

Annual reporting hours: 27,891.

Estimated average hours per response: 5.83.

Number of respondents: 92.

Small businesses are not affected.

General description of report: This information collection is voluntary (12 U.S.C. 3105(b)(2)) and is given confidential treatment (5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4)).

Abstract: The FR 2416 is a detailed, 43-item balance sheet that covers domestic offices of large U.S.-chartered commercial banks. The FR 2644 collects 11 items covering investments and loans plus total assets and three memorandum items, two that disaggregate total borrowings between bank and nonbank sources and one for mortgage-backed securities. The FR 2069 is a detailed, 28-item balance sheet that covers large U.S. branches and agencies of foreign banks. These reports are collected as of each Wednesday.

These three voluntary reports are mainstays of the Federal Reserve's reporting system from which data for analysis of current banking developments are derived. The FR 2416

¹ In addition to the official paper filing, a party may also provide the Commission with a copy of its filing by diskette or by e-mail at Secretary@fmc.gov.

is used on a stand-alone basis as the "large domestic bank series." The other two reports are samples for estimating outstandings for the universe, using data for benchmarks from the quarterly commercial bank Consolidated Reports of Condition and Income (FFIEC 031-034; OMB No. 7100-0036) and the Report of Assets and Liabilities of U.S. Branches and Agencies of Foreign Banks (FFIEC 002; OMB No. 7100-0032) (Call Reports). All three reports, together with data from other sources, are used for constructing weekly estimates of bank credit, of sources and uses of bank funds, and of a balance sheet for the banking system as a whole. These estimates are used in constructing the bank credit component of the domestic nonfinancial debt aggregate.

The Federal Reserve publishes the data in aggregate form in a statistical release that is followed closely by other government agencies, the banking industry, the financial press, and other users. This weekly H.8 statistical release, "Assets and Liabilities of Commercial Banks in the United States," provides a balance sheet for the banking industry as a whole and disaggregated by its large domestic, small domestic, and foreign related components

Current Actions: Effective mid-June 2000, the Federal Reserve will reduce the authorized size of the FR 2416 panel. Several reporters currently on the branch and agency (FR 2069) panel will be dropped because most of their assets have been shifted to other reporters.

The Federal Reserve will have a net addition of three items to the FR 2416 and the FR 2644; these three items were reported on the monthly Commercial Bank Survey of Consumer Credit (FR 2571; OMB No. 7100-0080). The Federal Reserve is discontinuing the FR 2571, which was contingent upon the addition of these items to the weekly condition/bank credit reports. The Federal Reserve also will add a memorandum item to the FR 2416 and the FR 2069 and clarify the FR 2416 and the FR 2644 instructions for reporting derivatives.

Final approval under OMB delegated authority of the extension for three years, without revision of the following reports:

1. **Report title:** The Recordkeeping and Disclosure Requirements Associated with Loans Secured by Real Estate Located in Flood Hazard Areas Pursuant to Section 208.25 of Regulation H.

Agency form number: unnum Reg H-2.

OMB control number: 7100-0280.
Frequency: Event-generated.
Reporters: State Member Banks.
Annual reporting hours: 58,885.

Estimated average hours per response: Notice of special flood hazards to borrowers and servicers, Notice to FEMA of servicer, and Notice to FEMA of change of servicer: 5 minutes each; Retention of standard FEMA form: 2.5 minutes.

Number of respondents: 988. Small businesses are affected.

General description of report: This information collection is mandatory (12 CFR 208.25). Since the Federal Reserve does not collect any information, no issue of confidentiality would normally arise. Should any of these records come into the possession of the Federal Reserve System, such information would be given confidential treatment (5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4) and (b)(6)).

Abstract: The regulation requires the state member banks (SMBs) to notify a borrower and servicer when loans secured by real estate are determined to be in a special flood hazard area. The SMB must then notify the borrower and servicer whether flood insurance is available. If a loan secured by real estate is in a special flood hazard area, the SMB must notify the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) of the identity of, and any change of, the servicer of the loan. Lastly, the SMB must retain a copy of the Standard Flood Hazard Determination Form used to determine whether the property securing a loan is in a special flood hazard area.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, November 15, 1999.

Jennifer J. Johnson,

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 December 3, 1999.

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

1. **Guaranty Bancshares, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan**, Mount Pleasant, Texas; to retain additional voting shares of Guaranty Bancshares, Inc., Mount Pleasant, Texas, and thereby indirectly retain additional voting shares of Guaranty Bank, Mount Pleasant, Texas.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, November 15, 1999.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Associate 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.

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 13, 1999.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (Cynthia Goodwin, Vice President) 104 Marietta Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-2713: