

Absent extraordinary circumstances, the Bureau will debar you.<sup>16</sup> Within 90 days of receipt of any opposition to your suspension and proposed debarment, the Bureau, in the absence of extraordinary circumstances, will provide you with notice of its decision to debar.<sup>17</sup> If the Bureau decides to debar you, its decision will become effective upon the earlier of your receipt of a debarment notice or publication of the decision in the **Federal Register**.<sup>18</sup>

If and when your debarment becomes effective, you will be prohibited from participating in activities associated with or related to the schools and libraries support mechanism for three years from the date of debarment.<sup>19</sup> The Bureau may, if necessary to protect the public interest, extend the debarment period.<sup>20</sup>

Please direct any response, if by messenger or hand delivery, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 236 Massachusetts Avenue, NE., Suite 110, Washington, DC 20002, to the attention of Diana Lee, Attorney Advisor, Investigations and Hearings Division, Enforcement Bureau, Room 4-C330, with a copy to Vickie Robinson, Assistant Chief, Investigations and Hearings Division, Enforcement Bureau, Room 4-C330, Federal Communications Commission. If sent by commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail), the response should be sent to the Federal Communications Commission, 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, Maryland 20743. If sent by first-class, Express, or Priority mail, the response should be sent to Diana Lee, Attorney Advisor, Investigations and Hearings Division, Enforcement Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW., Room 4-C330, Washington, DC 20554, with a copy to Vickie Robinson, Assistant Chief, Investigations and Hearings Division, Enforcement Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW., Room 4-C330, Washington, DC 20554. You shall also transmit a copy of the response via e-mail to [diana.lee@fcc.gov](mailto:diana.lee@fcc.gov) and to [vickie.robinson@fcc.gov](mailto:vickie.robinson@fcc.gov).

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Lee via mail, by telephone at (202) 418-1420 or by e-mail at [diana.lee@fcc.gov](mailto:diana.lee@fcc.gov). If Ms. Lee is unavailable, you may contact Ms. Vickie Robinson, Assistant Chief, Investigations and Hearings Division, by telephone at (202) 418-1420 and by e-mail at [vickie.robinson@fcc.gov](mailto:vickie.robinson@fcc.gov). Sincerely yours,  
Hillary S. DeNigro,  
Chief, Investigations and Hearings Division, Enforcement Bureau.  
cc: Kristy Carroll, Esq., Universal Service Administrative Company (via e-mail), Aaron

<sup>16</sup> *Second Report and Order*, 18 FCC Rcd at 9227, ¶ 74.

<sup>17</sup> *See id.*, 18 FCC Rcd at 9226, ¶ 70; 47 CFR 54.521(e)(5).

<sup>18</sup> *Id.* The Commission may reverse a debarment, or may limit the scope or period of debarment upon a finding of extraordinary circumstances, following the filing of a petition by you or an interested party or upon motion by the Commission. 47 CFR 54.521(f).

<sup>19</sup> *Second Report and Order*, 18 FCC Rcd at 9225, ¶ 67; 47 CFR 54.521(d), 54.521(g).

<sup>20</sup> *Id.*

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## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Notices

**DATE & TIME:** Wednesday, February 20, 2008 at 10 a.m.

**PLACE:** 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC.

**STATUS:** This meeting will be closed to the public.

**ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:** Compliance matters pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 437g. Audits conducted pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 437g, Section 438(b), and Title 26, U.S.C. Matters concerning participation in civil actions or proceedings or arbitration. Internal personnel rules and procedures or matters affecting a particular employee.

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**PREVIOUSLY SCHEDULED OPEN MEETING:** Thursday, February 21, 2008. This meeting has been cancelled.

**PERSON TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION:** Mr. Robert Biersack, Press Officer, Telephone: (202) 694-1220.

**Mary W. Dove,**  
*Secretary of the Commission.*

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## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

[Notice 2008-4]

### Price Index Increases for Expenditure Limitations

**AGENCY:** Federal Election Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of expenditure limitation increases.

**SUMMARY:** As mandated by provisions of the Bipartisan Campaign Reform Act of 2002 ("BCRA"), the Federal Election Commission ("FEC" or "the Commission") is adjusting certain expenditure limitations set forth in the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("FECA" or "the Act"), to account for increases in the consumer price index. Additional details appear in the supplemental information that follows.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 1, 2008.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Kevin R. Salley, Information Division, 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC 20463; (202) 694-1100 or (800) 424-9530.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, 2 U.S.C. 431 *et seq.*, as amended by the Bipartisan Campaign Reform Act of 2002<sup>1</sup>, coordinated party expenditure limits (2 U.S.C. 441a(d)(2), (3)(A) and (B)) are adjusted annually by the increase in the consumer price index. *See* 2 U.S.C. 441a(c)(1), 11 CFR 109.32 and 11 CFR 110.17. The Commission is publishing this notice to announce these limits for 2008.

### Coordinated Party Expenditure Limits for 2008

Under 2 U.S.C. 441a(c), the Commission must adjust the expenditure limitations established by 2 U.S.C. 441a(d) (the limits on expenditures by national party committees, state party committees, or their subordinate committees in connection with the general election campaign of candidates for Federal office) annually to account for inflation. This expenditure limitation is increased by the percent difference between the price index, as certified to the Commission by the Secretary of Labor, for the 12 months preceding the beginning of the calendar year and the price index for the base period (calendar year 1974).

#### 1. Expenditure Limitation for House of Representatives in States with More Than One Congressional District.

Both the national and state party committees have an expenditure limitation for each general election held to fill a seat in the House of Representatives in States with more than one congressional district. This limitation also applies to those States that elect individuals to the office of Delegate or Resident Commissioner.<sup>2</sup> The formula used to calculate the expenditure limitation in such States multiplies the base figure of \$10,000 by the price index (4.205), rounding to the nearest \$100. *See* 2 U.S.C. 441a(d)(3)(B) and 11 CFR 109.32(b). Based upon this formula, the expenditure limitation for 2008 general elections for House candidates in these States is \$42,100.

<sup>1</sup> Public Law No. 107-155, 116 Stat. 81 (Mar. 27, 2002).

<sup>2</sup> Currently, these States include the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the territories of American Samoa, Guam, and the United States Virgin Islands. *See* [http://www.house.gov/house/MemberWWW\\_by\\_State.shtml](http://www.house.gov/house/MemberWWW_by_State.shtml) and <http://about.dc.gov/statehood.asp>.

2. *Expenditure Limitation for Senate and for House of Representatives in States With Only One Congressional District*

Both the national and state party committees have an expenditure limitation for a general election held to fill a seat in the Senate or in the House of Representatives in States with only one congressional district. The formula

used to calculate this expenditure limitation considers not only the price index but also the voting age population ("VAP") of the state. The VAP of each state is published annually in the **Federal Register** by the Department of Commerce, 11 CFR 110.18. The general election expenditure limitation is the greater of: the base figure (\$20,000) multiplied by the price index (which totals \$84,100); or \$0.02 multiplied by

the VAP of the state, multiplied by the price index. Amounts are rounded to the nearest \$100. See 2 U.S.C. 441a(d)(3)(A) and 11 CFR 109.32(b). The chart below provides the state-by-state breakdown of the 2008 general election expenditure limitations for Senate elections. The expenditure limit for 2008 House elections in states with only one congressional district<sup>3</sup> is \$84,100.

SENATE GENERAL ELECTION EXPENDITURE LIMITATIONS—2008 ELECTIONS

| State          | VAP<br>(in thousands) | VAP × .02 × the<br>price<br>index<br>(4.205) | Senate<br>expenditure<br>limit (the greater<br>of the amount in<br>column 3 or<br>\$84,100) |
|----------------|-----------------------|--|---|
| Alabama        | 3,504                 | \$294,700                                    | \$294,700   |
| Alaska         | 501                   | 42,100                                       | 84,100  |
| Arizona        | 4,669                 | 392,700                                      | 392,700   |
| Arkansas       | 2,134                 | 179,500                                      | 179,500   |
| California     | 27,169                | 2,284,900                                    | 2,284,900   |
| Colorado       | 3,669                 | 308,600                                      | 308,600   |
| Connecticut    | 2,682                 | 225,600                                      | 225,600   |
| Delaware       | 659                   | 55,400                                       | 84,100  |
| Florida        | 14,208                | 1,194,900                                    | 1,194,900   |
| Georgia        | 7,013                 | 589,800                                      | 589,800   |
| Hawaii         | 998                   | 83,900                                       | 84,100  |
| Idaho          | 1,092                 | 91,800                                       | 91,800  |
| Illinois       | 9,653                 | 811,800                                      | 811,800   |
| Indiana        | 4,759                 | 400,200                                      | 400,200   |
| Iowa           | 2,277                 | 191,500                                      | 191,500   |
| Kansas         | 2,080                 | 174,900                                      | 174,900   |
| Kentucky       | 3,238                 | 272,300                                      | 272,300   |
| Louisiana      | 3,214                 | 270,300                                      | 270,300   |
| Maine          | 1,038                 | 87,300                                       | 87,300  |
| Maryland       | 4,260                 | 358,300                                      | 358,300   |
| Massachusetts  | 5,017                 | 421,900                                      | 421,900   |
| Michigan       | 7,625                 | 641,300                                      | 641,300   |
| Minnesota      | 3,937                 | 331,100                                      | 331,100   |
| Mississippi    | 2,150                 | 180,800                                      | 180,800   |
| Missouri       | 4,454                 | 374,600                                      | 374,600   |
| Montana        | 738                   | 62,100                                       | 84,100  |
| Nebraska       | 1,328                 | 111,700                                      | 111,700   |
| Nevada         | 1,905                 | 160,200                                      | 160,200   |
| New Hampshire  | 1,018                 | 85,600                                       | 85,600  |
| New Jersey     | 6,622                 | 556,900                                      | 556,900   |
| New Mexico     | 1,470                 | 123,600                                      | 123,600   |
| New York       | 14,884                | 1,251,700                                    | 1,251,700   |
| North Carolina | 6,843                 | 575,500                                      | 575,500   |
| North Dakota   | 497                   | 41,800                                       | 84,100  |
| Ohio           | 8,715                 | 732,900                                      | 732,900   |
| Oklahoma       | 2,718                 | 228,600                                      | 228,600   |
| Oregon         | 2,885                 | 242,600                                      | 242,600   |
| Pennsylvania   | 9,646                 | 811,200                                      | 811,200   |
| Rhode Island   | 825                   | 69,400                                       | 84,100  |
| South Carolina | 3,348                 | 281,600                                      | 281,600   |
| South Dakota   | 599                   | 50,400                                       | 84,100  |
| Tennessee      | 4,685                 | 394,000                                      | 394,000   |
| Texas          | 17,281                | 1,453,300                                    | 1,453,300   |
| Utah           | 1,829                 | 153,800                                      | 153,800   |
| Vermont        | 490                   | 41,200                                       | 84,100  |
| Virginia       | 5,886                 | 495,000                                      | 495,000   |
| Washington     | 4,932                 | 414,800                                      | 414,800   |
| West Virginia  | 1,425                 | 119,800                                      | 119,800   |
| Wisconsin      | 4,280                 | 359,900                                      | 359,900   |
| Wyoming        | 397                   | 33,400                                       | 84,100  |

<sup>3</sup> Currently, these states are: Alaska, Delaware, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Vermont,

and Wyoming. See [http://www.house.gov/house/MemberWWW\\_by\\_State.shtml](http://www.house.gov/house/MemberWWW_by_State.shtml).

**3. Expenditure Limitation for President**

The national party committees have an expenditure limitation for their general election nominee for President. The formula used to calculate the Presidential expenditure limitation considers not only the price index but also the total VAP of the United States. The Department of Commerce also publishes the total VAP of the United States annually in the **Federal Register**. 11 CFR 110.18. The formula used to calculate this expenditure limitation is

\$0.02 multiplied by the total VAP of the United States (227,719,424), multiplied by the price index. Amounts are rounded to the nearest \$100. See 2 U.S.C. 441a(d)(2) and 11 CFR 109.32(a). Based upon this formula, the expenditure limitation for 2008 Presidential nominees is \$19,151,200.

**Contribution Limitations for Individuals, Non-Multicandidate Committees and for Certain Political Party Committees Giving to U.S. Senate Candidates for the 2007–2008 Election Cycle**

For the convenience of the readers, the Commission is also republishing the contribution limitations for individuals, non-multicandidate committees and for certain political party committees giving to U.S. Senate candidates for the 2007–2008 election cycle:

| Statutory provision          | Statutory amount  | 2007–2008 limitation  |
|------------------------------|---|---|
| 2 U.S.C. 441a(a)(1)(A) ..... | \$2,000 .....   | \$2,300.  |
| 2 U.S.C. 441a(a)(1)(B) ..... | \$25,000 .....  | \$28,500.   |
| 2 U.S.C. 441a(a)(3)(A) ..... | \$37,500 .....  | \$42,700.   |
| 2 U.S.C. 441a(a)(3)(B) ..... | \$57,500 (of which no more than \$37,500 may be attributable to contributions to political committees that are not political committees of national political parties). | \$65,500 (of which no more than \$42,700 may be attributable to contributions to political committees that are not political committees of national political parties). |
| 2 U.S.C. 441a(h) .....       | \$35,000 .....  | \$39,900.   |

Dated: February 7, 2008.

**David M. Mason,**  
 Chairman, Federal Election Commission.  
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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/](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 March 11, 2008.

**A. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago**  
 (Burl Thornton, Assistant Vice President) 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60690-1414:

1. *Bank Iowa Corporation, West Des Moines, Iowa*; to acquire up to 100 percent of Hansen Bancorporation, Lawler, Iowa, and thereby indirectly acquire State Bank of Lawler, New Hampton, Iowa.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, February 11, 2008.

**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/](http://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 March 11, 2008.

**A. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta**  
 (David Tatum, Vice President) 1000 Peachtree Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30309:

1. *First NBC Bank Holding Company, New Orleans, Louisiana*; to merge with Dryades Bancorp, Inc., and thereby acquire Dryades Savings Bank, F.S.B., both of New Orleans, Louisiana, and thereby engage in operating a savings association, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(4)(ii) of Regulation Y.