

accordance with 18 CFR 342.3(d). This index, which is the percent change (expressed as a decimal) in the annual average Producer Price Index for Finished Goods from 1999 to 2000, minus one percent, is 0.027594. Oil pipelines must multiply their July 1, 2000–June 30, 2001 index ceiling levels by 1.027594 to compute their index ceiling levels for the period July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Notice of Annual Change in The Producer Price Index For Finished Goods, Minus One Percent

The Commission's regulations include a methodology for oil pipelines to change their rates through use of an index system that established ceiling levels for such rates. The index system as set forth at 18 CFR 342.3 is based on the annual change in the Producer Price Index for Finished Goods (PPI–FG), minus one percent. The regulations provide that each year the Commission will publish an index reflecting the final change in the PPI–FG, minus one percent, after the final PPI–FG is made available by the Bureau of Labor Statistics in May of each calendar year.

The annual average PPI–FG index figure for 1999 was 133.0 and the annual average PPI–FG index figure for 2000 was 138.0.¹ Thus, the percent change (expressed as a decimal) in the annual average PPI–FG from 1999 to 2000, minus one percent, is 0.027594.² Oil pipelines must multiply their July 1, 2000–June 30, 2001 index ceiling levels by 1.027594³ to compute their index ceiling levels for the period July 1, 2001, through June 30, 2002, in accordance with 18 CFR 342.3(d). For guidance in calculating the ceiling levels for each

period beginning January 1, 1995,⁴ see *Explorer Pipeline Company*, 71 FERC ¶ 61,416 at n.6 (1995).

Document Availability

In addition to publishing the full text of this document in the Federal Register, the Commission also provides all interested persons an opportunity to inspect or copy the contents of this document during normal business hours in the Public Reference Room at 888 First Street, N.E., Room 2A, Washington, D.C. 20426.

The Commission Issuance Posting System (CIPS) provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission from November 14, 1994, to the present. CIPS can be accessed via Internet through FERC's Home Page (<http://www.ferc.fed.us>) on CIPS in ASCII and WordPerfect 6.1. User assistance is available at 202–208–2222 or by E-mail to cips.master@ferc.fed.us.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM98–1–000]

Regulations Governing Off-the-Record Communications; Public Notice

May 18, 2001.

This constitutes notice, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2201(h), of the receipt

of exempt and prohibited off-the-record communications.

Order No. 607 (64 FR 51222, September 22, 1999) requires Commission decisional employees, who make or receive an exempt or a prohibited off-the-record communication relevant to the merits of a contested on-the-record proceeding, to deliver a copy of the communication, if written, or a summary of the substance of any oral communication, to the Secretary.

Prohibited communications will be included in a public, non-decisional file associated with, but not part of, the decisional record of the proceeding. Unless the Commission determines that the prohibited communication and any responses thereto should become part of the decisional record, the prohibited off-the-record communication will not be considered by the Commission in reaching its decision. Parties to a proceeding may seek the opportunity to respond to any facts or contentions made in a prohibited off-the-record communication, any may request that the Commission place the prohibited communication and responses thereto in the decisional record. The Commission will grant such requests only when it determines that fairness so requires. Any person identified below as having made a prohibited off-the-record communication should serve the document on all parties listed on the official service list for the applicable proceeding in accordance with Rule 2010, 18 CFR 385.2010.

Exempt off-the-record communications will be included in the decisional record of the proceeding, unless the communication was with a cooperating agency as described by 40 CFR 1501.6, made under 18 CFR 385.2201(e)(1)(v).

The following is a list of exempt and prohibited off-the-record communications received in the Office of the Secretary within the preceding 14 days. The documents may be viewed on the Internet at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202–208–2222 for assistance).

Exempt

1. CP00–165–000, 04–30–01, Larry E. Golden
2. Project No. 2042, 05–10–01, Timothy B. Bechelder
3. Project No. 1354, 05–08–01, Nicholas Markevich
4. CP01–49–000, 05–08–01, Bobby Miller
5. CP01–49–000, 05–08–01, Bobby Miller
6. Project No. 2042, 05–08–01, Timothy B. Bachelder

¹ The final figure for the annual average PPI–FG is published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics in mid-May of each year. This figure is publicly available from the Division of Industrial Prices and Price Indexes of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, at (202) 606–7705, and is available in print in August in Table 1 of the annual data supplement to the BLS publication *Producer Price Indexes*. The PPI data are also available via the Internet. The Internet address is <<http://www.fedstats.gov>>. This site contains data from a number of government agencies; to obtain the BLS data, click on agencies, then click on Bureau of Labor Statistics, then click on data, Most Requested Series, scroll to Producer Price Indexes-Commodities (Finished Goods), for the latest available data.

² $[138.0 - 133.0] / 133.0 = 0.037594 - .01 = 0.027594$.

³ $1 + 0.027594 = 1.027594$.

⁴ For a listing of all prior multipliers issued by the Commission, see the Commission's website, www.ferc.fed.us. The table of multipliers can be found under the headings "Oil" and "Index."

7. Project No. 1354, 05-08-01, Frank Winchell
8. Project No. 1354, 05-08-01, Karen Miller
9. Project No. 3090, 05-10-01, Maureen Winters
10. Project No. 1354, 05-14-01, Native American community representatives
11. Project No. 2016-044, 05-15-01, Pam Klatt

Prohibited

1. Project Nos. 2071-015 and 2111-011, 04-18-01, Ken S. Berg

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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 June 18, 2001.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond (A. Linwood Gill, III, Vice

President) 701 East Byrd Street, Richmond, Virginia 23261-4528:

1. *Greer Bancshares Incorporated*, Greer, South Carolina; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Greer State Bank, Greer, South Carolina, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of Century South Bank of Alabama, Oxford, Alabama; Century South Bank of Central Georgia, National Association, Macon, Georgia; Century South Bank of Dahlonga, Dahlonga, Georgia; Century South Bank of Danielsville, Danielsville, Georgia; Century South Bank of Dawsonville, Dawsonville, Georgia; Century South Bank of Ellijay, Ellijay, Georgia; Century South Bank of Fannin County, National Association, Blue Ridge, Georgia; Century South Bank of Lavonia, Lavonia, Georgia; Century South Bank of Northeast Georgia, National Association, Gainesville, Georgia; Century South Bank of Polk County, Copperhill, Tennessee, and Century South Bank of the Coastal Region, National Association, Savannah, Georgia.

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

1. *TRB Bancorp, Inc.*, Dallas, Texas; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Greenbelt Bancshares, Inc., Quanah, Texas, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of The Security National Bank of Quanah, Quanah, Texas.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, May 18, 2001.

Robert deV. Frierson

Associate Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

Notice of Meeting; Hair Analysis, Exploring State-of-the-Science Panel Discussion

Name: Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) announces panel discussion: Hair Analysis, Exploring the State-of-the-Science.

Times and Dates: 8 a.m.-5 p.m., June 12, 2001; 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m., June 13, 2001.

Place: Radisson Hotel, Executive Park Atlanta, 2061 N. Druid Hills Road, Atlanta, GA, 30329. To make hotel

reservations, please call the hotel directly at 404-321-4174. Reference the "Hair Analysis Panel" to receive the group rate of \$78.00 plus 12% tax. You must make your reservation before May 20, 2001. After this date any remaining rooms will be released from our block and sold on a space and rate available basis.

Purpose: ATSDR is holding a panel discussion to review and discuss the current state-of-the-science related to hair analysis. ATSDR has invited a cross-section of scientists with expertise in fields including hair analysis, toxicology, and medicine to participate in 1½ days of discussions on a variety of topics, including analytical methods, factors affecting the interpretation of analytical results, toxicologic considerations, and data gaps/research needs. Panel discussions will explore whether hair analysis is a useful tool in evaluating exposures to hazardous substances present in the environment. ATSDR will use the scientific input received as part of the discussions to develop a framework for determining when measuring contaminant levels in hair can help support scientifically defensible public health evaluations.

Status: Open to the public, limited only by space available. Seating is limited so please register in advance so that we can hold a space for you. Register by contacting ATSDR's contractor, Eastern Research Group, Inc. (ERG). ERG's meeting registration line is 781-674-7374; when you call this number, reference the "Hair Analysis Panel." A limited amount of time will be set aside for members of the public to present brief oral comments regarding hair analysis scientific issues. Oral presentations will be limited to 10 minutes, and the number of people giving oral comments may be limited by the time available. Opportunity for making oral comment will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis; therefore, the public is encouraged to register in advance to present oral comments by contacting ERG's registration line at 781-674-7374. The public may also submit written comments. ATSDR will incorporate oral and written comments into its summary report. The report will capture the salient points of panel discussions and observer comments. After the meeting, the agency will consider all scientific input received to support the development of interim guidance regarding the use of hair analysis in ATSDR's public health evaluations.

Background Information: ATSDR conducts public health assessments to evaluate possible public health implications of contaminants associated