

45. In order to implement “or” bids, we would need to modify the method by which we determine retained bids. Rather than using the method described in “II.B. Definitions: Winning and Retained Bids,” we would determine retained bids as follows:

- Retain a global package bid if it is the provisional winner. Do not retain attached “or” bids.
- Retain a national package bid if it would be part of the provisional winning set including national packages and individual license bids, but excluding global and regional packages. Do not retain attached “or” bids.
- Retain a regional package bid if it would be part of the provisional winning set including regional packages and individual license bids, but excluding global and national packages. Do not retain attached “or” bids.
- Retain individual license bids if it would be part of the provisional winning set including individual license bids, but excluding global, national and regional package bids. Do not retain attached “or” bids.

We seek comment on this proposal, including whether the number of “or” bids per bidder be limited.

B. Bid Cancellation

46. Another method that could overcome the reluctance of bidders that have retained but non-provisional winning bids from bidding on other licenses that they consider substitutes is to allow bidders to *cancel* their bids. If we adopted such a procedure, bidders would be permitted to cancel only non-provisional winning retained bids; provisional winning bids could not be cancelled. Allowing non-provisional winning retained bid cancellation could avoid the possible complexity of “or” bids and provide bidders more flexibility to pursue backup strategies—and to explore ways to beat package bids. However, it also could facilitate adverse strategic bidding, similar to that associated with allowing withdrawal of provisional winning bids. Allowing cancellation of retained but non-provisional winning bids could also make it *more* difficult for bidders for single licenses or smaller packages to beat package bids. Moreover, if bidders were permitted to freely cancel non-provisional winning retained bids, the total of retained bids would not necessarily always increase during the auction and we might be unable to ensure an acceptable pace of the auction. We therefore tentatively conclude not to permit bidders to cancel bids. We seek comment, however, on this.

47. If we permitted cancellation of non-provisional winning bids, we would also likely adopt the option of retaining all bids. The possibility that bids may be cancelled means that many, or all, bids are potentially part of a winning set of bids, and thus it may be appropriate to retain all bids. Rather than the auction system canceling non-provisional winning bids automatically, bidders would be required to cancel those bids. If we were to adopt this approach, it would also be necessary to modify the activity rules and the procedures for calculating minimum acceptable bids. The currently proposed activity rule could provide inadequate incentives to move the auction along if the same activity credit were given to all bids regardless of their likelihood of winning. We seek comment on this proposal.

C. Bid Composition Restriction

48. We seek comment on bid composition restrictions. For example, the Milgrom-McAfee bid composition restriction would not allow a bidder that is active in a round on a package, but not on a subset of that package, to bid subsequently for the subset. Such a restriction could help mitigate the *threshold problem*. It would tend to deter bidders that are interested in multiple license but do not have strong synergies from strategically making package bids to create a threshold problem for bidders interested in subsets of the package. Such a rule would, however, somewhat limit bidders’ flexibility. We seek comment on this device and similar restrictions.

IV. Conclusion

49. This proceeding has been designated as a “permit-but-disclose” proceeding in accordance with the Commission’s *ex parte* rules. 47 CFR 1.1200(a), 1.1206. Persons making oral *ex parte* presentations are reminded that memoranda summarizing the presentations must contain summaries of the substance of the presentations and not merely a listing of the subjects discussed. More than a one or two sentence description of the views and arguments presented is generally required. See 47 CFR 1.1206(b). Other rules pertaining to oral and written *ex parte* presentations in permit-but-disclose proceedings are set forth in § 1.1206(b) of the Commission’s rules, 47 CFR 1.1206(b).

Federal Communications Commission.

Louis J. Sigalos,

Deputy Chief, Auctions and Industry Analysis Division.

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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 June 19, 2000.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis (JoAnne F. Lewellen, Assistant Vice President), 90 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55480–0291:

1. *John L. Franklin*, Sidney, Montana; to acquire voting shares of 1st United Bancorporation, Inc., Sidney, Montana, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of 1st Bank, Sidney, Montana.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, May 30, 2000.

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. 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 29, 2000.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago (Phillip Jackson, Applications Officer) 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60690-1414:

1. *Mahaska Investment Company ESOP*, Oskaloosa, Iowa; to acquire an additional 2.29 percent, for a total of 13.87 percent in aggregate, of the voting shares of Mahaska Investment Company, Oskaloosa, Iowa, and thereby indirectly acquire additional voting shares of Mahaska State Bank, Oskaloosa, Iowa; Pella State Bank, Pella, Iowa; Central Valley Bank, Ottumwa, Iowa; and Midwest Federal Savings & Loan of Eastern Iowa, Burlington, Iowa.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis (JoAnne F. Lewellen, Assistant Vice President) 90 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55480-0291:

1. *F & M Financial Services, Inc.*, Preston, Minnesota; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of F & M Community Bank, N. A., Chatfield, Minnesota, a de novo bank.

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

1. *JTB Bancshares, Inc.*, Mission Hills, Kansas; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Whiting Bankshares, Inc., Whiting, Kansas, and thereby indirectly acquire The State Bank of Whiting, Whiting, Kansas.

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Robert deV. Frierson,
Associate 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/.

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 June 19, 2000.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago (Phillip Jackson, Applications Officer) 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60690-1414:

1. *First Community Bancshares, Inc.*, Bargersville, Indiana; to acquire Blue River Federal Savings Bank, Edinburgh, Indiana, and thereby engage in operating a savings association, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(4)(ii) of Regulation Y. Comments on this application must be received not later than June 29, 2000.

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

1. *Admiral Family Banks, Inc.*, Alsip, Illinois; to engage *de novo* in leasing

activities, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(3) of Regulation Y.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, May 30, 2000.

Robert deV. Frierson,
Associate Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

[File No. 981 0108]

Service Corporation International; Analysis To Aid Public Comment

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission.

ACTION: Proposed consent agreement.

SUMMARY: The consent agreement in this matter settles alleged violations of federal law prohibiting unfair or deceptive acts or practices or unfair methods of competition. The attached Analysis To Aid Public Comment describes both the allegations in the draft complaint that accompanies the consent agreement and the terms of the consent order—embodied in the consent agreement—that would settle these allegations.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before June 19, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be directed to: FTC/Office of the Secretary, Room 159, 600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20580.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Harold Kirtz or Andrea Foster, Federal Trade Commission, Southeast Region, Suite 5M35, Midrise Bldg., 60 Forsyth St., S.W., Atlanta, GA 30303. (404) 656-1357.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to Section 6(f) of the Federal Trade Commission Act, 38 Stat. 721, 15 U.S.C. 46 and Section 2.34 of the Commission's Rules of Practice (16 CFR 2.34) notice is hereby given that the above-captioned consent agreement containing a consent order to cease and desist, having been filed with and accepted, subject to final approval, by the Commission, has been placed on the public record for a period of thirty (30) days. The following Analysis To Aid Public Comment describes the terms of the consent agreement, and the allegations in the complaint. An electronic copy of the full text of the consent agreement package can be obtained from the FTC Home Page (for May 18, 2000), on the World Wide Web, at "<http://www.ftc.gov/ftc/formal.htm>." A paper copy can be obtained from the FTC Public Reference Room, Room H-130, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW,