the accuracy of the burden of the information collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

At the end of the comment period, the comments and recommendations received will be analyzed to determine the extent to which the collection should be modified prior to submission to OMB for review and approval. Comments submitted in response to this notice also will be summarized or included in the FDIC's request to OMB for approval of this collection. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated in Washington, DC this 17th day of February, 2004.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. **Robert E. Feldman**,

Executive Secretary.

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FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

Notice of Agency Meeting

Pursuant to the provisions of the "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5 U.S.C. 552b), notice is hereby given that, at 10:20 a.m. on Tuesday, February 17, 2004, the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation met in closed session to consider matters relating to the Corporation's resolution, enforcement, and corporate activities.

In calling the meeting, the Board determined, on motion of Director James E. Gilleran (Director, Office of Thrift Supervision), seconded by Vice Chairman John M. Reich, concurred in by Director Thomas J. Curry, Ms. Julie Williams, acting in the place and stead of Director John D. Hawke, Jr. (Comptroller of the Currency), and Chairman Donald E. Powell, that Corporation business required its consideration of the matters on less than seven days' notice to the public; that the public interest did not require consideration of the matters in a meeting open to public observation; and that the matters could be considered in a closed meeting by authority of subsections (c)(2), (c)(4), (c)(6), (c)(8), (c)(9)(A)(ii), (c)(9)(B), and (c)(10) of the "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5

U.S.C. 552b(c)(2), (c)(4), (c)(6), (c)(8), (c)(9)(A)(ii), (c)(9)(B), and (c)(10)).

The meeting was held in the Board Room of the FDIC Building located at 550 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC.

Dated: February 18, 2004. Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Robert E. Feldman,

Executive Secretary. [FR Doc. E4–342 Filed 2–20–04; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6714–01–P

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

Special Executive Session

DATE & TIME: Tuesday, February 17, 2004, at 2 p.m.

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

STATUS: This meeting was closed to the public pursuant to 11 CFR 2.4(b)(7).

DATE & TIME: Thursday, February 26, 2004, at 10 a.m.

PLACE: 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC (ninth floor).

STATUS: This meeting will be open to the public.

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED: Correction and approval of minutes.

Draft Advisory Opinion 2004–02: National Committee for an Effective

Congress by counsel, Judith L. Corley. Future meeting dates.

Routine administrative matters.

PERSON TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION: Robert W. Biersack, Acting Press Officer. Telephone: (202) 694–1220.

Mary W. Dove,

Secretary of the Commission. [FR Doc. 04–4008 Filed 2–19–04; 2:45 pm] BILLING CODE 6215–01–M

FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Change in Bank Control Notices; Acquisition of Shares of Bank 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 office 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 9, 2004.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis (Jacqueline G. Nicholas, Community Affairs Officer) 90 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55480-0291:

1. Martha A. Soter, Tucson, Arizona; Fred J. Christenson, Fairfield, Connecticut; Molly A. Hershede, Phoenix, Arizona; John W. Thomson, Sioux Falls, individually and as trustee of the Nane A. Thomson Trust; Nane A. Thomson, Sioux Falls; the Nane A. Thomson Trust, Sioux Falls; James R. Thomson, Centerville, individually and as trustee of the Sarah A. Thomson Trust, the Christopher Thomson Trust, the Alex B. Cole Trust, and the Erin T. Cole Trust; the Sarah A. Thomson Trust. Centerville; the Christopher Thomson Trust, Centerville, all in South Dakota; John E. Lindahl, Wayzata, as trustee of the Sarah A. Thomson Trust, the Christopher Thomson Trust, the Alex B. Cole Trust, and the Erin T. Cole Trust; John L. Thomson, Minneapolis, individually and as trustee of the John Lubar Thomson Trust, the Maddie C. Thomson Trust and the Joseph N. Thomson Trust; Kristine L. Thomson, Minneapolis, all of Minnesota; as trustee of the John Lubar Thomson Trust, the Maddie C. Thomson Trust and the Joseph N. Thomson Trust; David J. Lubar, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, as trustee of the John Lubar Thomson Trust, the Maddie C. Thomson Trust and the Joseph N. Thomson Trust; the John Lubar Thomson Trust, Minneapolis; the Maddie C. Thomson Trust, Minneapolis; the Joseph N. Thomson Trust, Minneapolis, all in Minnesota; Ann L. Cole, Sioux Falls; the Alex B. Cole Trust, Centerville; and the Erin T. Cole Trust, Centerville, all in South Dakota; to acquire additional voting shares of Thomson Holdings, Inc., Centerville, South Dakota, and thereby to indirectly acquire additional voting shares of First Midwest Bank, Centerville, South Dakota.

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

1. Ms. Dianne Jaggars Stone, Hico, Texas; to acquire additional voting shares of First National Bancshares of Hico, Inc., Hico, Texas, and thereby indirectly acquire additional voting shares of The First National Bank of Hico, Hico, Texas. Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, February 18, 2004.

Robert deV. Frierson, Deputy Secretary of the Board. [FR Doc. 04–3854 Filed 2–20–04; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6210–01–S

FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Change in Bank Control Notices; Acquisition of Shares of Bank 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 office 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 8, 2004.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City (James Hunter, Assistant Vice President) 925 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri 64198–0001:

1. Robert J. Barmann, Jr., Maryville, Missouri; James L. Baber, Weston, Missouri; and Robert M. McGinness, Platte City, Missouri; to acquire control of Wells Bancshares, and thereby indirectly acquire control of Wells Bank of Platte City, both of Platte City, Missouri.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, February 17, 2004.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board. [FR Doc. E4–345 Filed 2–20–04; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6210–01–S

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 March 19, 2004.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago (Patrick M. Wilder, Managing Examiner) 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60690-1414:

1. LDF, Inc., Chicago, Illinois; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Labe Bank, Chicago, Illinois.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis (Randall C. Sumner, Vice President) 411 Locust Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63166-2034:

1. Bancorp IV, Inc., Stilwell, Kansas; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of the Bank of Montgomery County, Wellsville, Missouri.

2. Bank of the Ozarks, Inc., Little Rock, Arkansas; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Sun Bank, Sunray, Texas.

3. Security Bancorp of Tennessee, Inc., Halls, Tennessee; to acquire 44.93 percent of the voting shares of Patriot of Tennessee Corporation, Millington, Tennessee, and thereby indirectly acquire Patriot Bank, Millington, Tennessee.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, February 18, 2004.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board. [FR Doc. 04–3853 Filed 2–20–04; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6210–01–S

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 Web site 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 March 18, 2004.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond (A. Linwood Gill, III, Vice President) 701 East Byrd Street, Richmond, Virginia 23261–4528:

1. American Community Bancshares, Inc., Charlotte, North Carolina; to merge with FNB Bancshares, Inc., Gaffney, South Carolina, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of First National Bank of the Carolinas, Gaffney, South Carolina.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, February 17, 2004.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board. [FR Doc. E4–344 Filed 2–20–04; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6210–01–S