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 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 January 13, 2003.

A. Federal Keserve Bank of Cleveland (Stephen J. Ong, Vice President) 1455 East Sixth Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44101-2566:

1. Sky Financial Group; Bowling Green, Ohio; to acquire Metropolitan Financial Corporation, Highland Hills, Ohio, and thereby indirectly acquire Metropolitan Bank and Trust Company, Highland Hills, Ohio, and thereby engage in operating a savings association, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(4)(ii) of Regulation Y.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, December 16, 2002.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board. [FR Doc.02–32005 Filed 12–19–02; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6210–01–8

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 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 January 13, 2003.

- A. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (Sue Costello, Vice President) 1000 Peachtree Street, NE., Atlanta, Georgia 30303:
- 1. Financial Investors of the South, Inc., Birmingham, Alabama; to acquire up to 15 percent of the voting shares of Consumer National Bank, Jackson, Mississippi.
- B. Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis (Randall C. Sumner, Vice President) 411 Locust Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63166-2034:
- 1. Lea M. McMullan Trust, and Citizens Union Bancorp of Shelbyville, Inc., both of Shelbyville, Kentucky; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of LaRue Bancshares, Inc., Hodgenville, Kentucky, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of The Peoples State Bank, Hodgenville, Kentucky.
- C. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City (Susan Zubradt, Assistant Vice President) 925 Grand Avenue, Kansas City. Missouri 64198-0001:
- 1. Hometown Banc Corp, Grand Island, Nebraska; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Five Points Bank of Hastings, Hastings, Nebraska (formerly known as Hometown Bank, Hastings, Nebraska).

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, December 16, 2002.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board. [FR Doc. 02–32003 Filed 12–19–02; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6210–01–8

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collections; Comment Request

The Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Secretary will

periodically publish summaries of proposed information collections projects and solicit public comments in compliance with the requirements of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. To request more information on the project or to obtain a copy of the information collection plans and instruments, call the OS Reports clearance Officer on (202) 690–6207.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

1. Application for Waiver of the Twoyear Foreign Residence Requirement of the Exchange Visitor Program-0990-0001—Extension—The application is used by institutions (colleges, hospitals, etc.) to request a favorable recommendation to the USIA for waiver of the two-year Foreign Residence Requirement of the Exchange Visitor Program on behalf of foreign visitors working in areas of interest to HHS. Respondents: Individuals, State or local governments, businesses or other forprofit, non-profit institutions; Total Number of Respondents: 200; Frequency of Response: one time; Average Burden per Response: 6 hours; Estimated Annual Burden: 1200 hours.

Send comments to Cynthia Agens Bauer, OS Reports Clearance Officer, Room 503H, Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington DC, 20201. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Dated: December 9, 2002.

Kerry Weems,

Deputy Assistant Secretary, Budget.
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Statement of Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority

Part C (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) of the Statement of

Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority of the Department of Health and Human Services (45 FR 67772–76, dated October 14, 1980, and corrected at 45 FR 69296, October 20, 1980, as amended most recently at 67 FR 62475–77, dated October 7, 2002) is amended to reorganize the Office of the Director, CDC.

Section C–B, Organization and Functionss, is hereby amended as follows:

After the Office of Management and Operations (CAD), insert the following: Office of Science Policy and Technology Transfer (CAE). (1) Advises the CDC Director and Senior Staff on science matters and represents CDC in these areas to the Department, other agencies, and Congress; (2) maintains the integrity and productivity of CDC's scientists by resolving controversial scientific issues, developing scientific policies and procedures, supporting training and information exchange, and presenting awards for outstanding scientific efforts; (3) assures the protection of human subjects in public health research; (4) integrates behavioral and social sciences research into public health research; (5) provides advice and guidance on the management of intellectual property; interprets policies, rules, and regulations, especially those related to the Federal Technology Transfer Act; (6) promotes and facilitates the timely transfer of technology, knowledge, products, and processes that improve public health through the use of patents, trademarks, Biological Materials Licensing Agreements, and Cooperative Research and Development Agreements; (7) coordinates governmental and nongovernmental vaccine activities, including vaccine research, development, and safety and efficacy testing trough the National Vaccine Program Office and the National Vaccine Advisory Committee; (8) advises the Secretary of HHS and the Director of CDC about the most appropriate use of vaccines and immunization practices for effective disease control in the population through the Advisory Committee for Immunization Practices; and (9) manages the CDC and ATSDR Specimen and Data Bank, an archive of biological materials, including blood components, tissue, bacterial isolates, DNA, and other biological and environmental specimens.

Office of Minority Health (CAG). (1) Serves as the principal advisor to the Director, CDC/Administrator ATSDR on all minority health issues affecting the agency; (2) serves as the focal point for

CDC minority health programs, projects, and issues including coordination of CDC/ATSDR activities with the PHS, other U.S. Government Agencies, health agencies of other nations, other national and international government and nongovernment organizations, communitybased organizations, and the public at large; (3) provides leadership and coordination in the development and implementation of long-term plans for minority health activities within the Centers, Institute, and Offices of CDC; (4) provides leadership, in collaboration with senior managers, for policy initiatives to improve the health of ethnic populations, setting agency priorities, goals and objectives, defining appropriate interventions, and monitoring progress toward meeting these goals and objectives; (5) advocates for minority health issues, including presentation at scientific or programmatic meetings, publication of important findings, and dissemination of information via electronic or other means; (6) assesses the progress to improve minority health by establishing tracking mechanisms, and assuring the use of minority health measures to set goals and track accomplishments; (7) coordinates health initiatives including CIO and ATSDR support of Executive Branch and Departmental Minority Health Initiatives; (8) coordinates the planning, design and implementation of minority health research and oversees studies related to understanding and improving health disparities; (9) assists the CIOs and their constituents in identifying and improving the collection and analysis of data on race and ethnicity needed to develop policy, formulate research agendas, set program priorities, and monitor progress in achieving health outcomes; (10) assures minority health issues are incorporated in to the CIO and ATDSR research agendas and ongoing systematic reviews of the literature on intervention effectiveness; (11) assists CIOs and ATSDR in developing and implementing an agency-wide system to apply standards for evaluation and quality assurance, and monitor, evaluate, and measure the cost-benefit/ effectiveness and prevention effectiveness of programs to reduce health disparities; (12) assists in the review and clearance of manuscripts, medical studies, or technical papers for publication, and recommends changes as needed to ensure the quality of the work and consistency with HHS and CDC minority health policies and goals, (13) assists the CIOs and their constituents to increase the competence and diversity of the public health

workforce by supporting minority student internships, fellowships and Institutions of Higher Learning; and (14) identifies and fosters partnerships and collaborative activities with public, non-profit, private organizations and organizations and agencies, and academia to improve their organizational capacity to execute public health policy, programs, and the CDC and ATSDR agenda.

Office of the Executive Secretariat (CAH). (1) Anticipate potential problems and plans for processing future decisions and issue analyses; (2) coordinate the review and clearance of all controlled correspondence and other documents including announcements, position papers, briefing documents, and report to Congress regarding current Departmental and CDC/ATSDR policy considerations to facilitate consistency and adherence to HHS and agency policy across Centers/Institutes/Offices; (3) control the communications flow by communicating the actions taken by the Director on documents and at meetings, including revisions needed and followup action; (4) manage the flow of decision documents and correspondence for action by the Director of CDC; (5) assure that the Director has the views of OGC and the Deputy Director before making program or management decisions; (6) represent CDC in relations with the Executive Secretary of the Department, other HHS executive secretariats, and with outside document management organizations; (7) set editorial standards and processing policies for documents acted on by the Director; (8) track incoming documents and makes action and review assignments to appropriate staff; and (9) maintain all official records relating to the decisions and official actions of the Director, CDC and his immediate staff.

Dated: November 27, 2002.

David Fleming,

Acting Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

President's Committee on Mental Retardation; Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: President's Committee on Mental Retardation (PCMR), HHS.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.