

Brule, Pine Ridge, Rosebud, Standing Rock and Yankton Indian Reservations; any land held in trust by the United States for an Indian tribe, and any other areas which are "Indian country" within the meaning of 18 U.S.C. 1151.

C. Requesting a Hearing

Any request for a public hearing shall include: (1) The name, address, and telephone number of the individual, organization, or other entity requesting a hearing; (2) a brief statement of the requester's interest in the RA's determination and of information that he/she intends to submit at such hearing; and (3) the signature of the requester or responsible official, if made on behalf of an organization or other entity.

Notice of any hearing shall be given not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the time scheduled for the hearing, and will be made by the RA in the **Federal Register** and newspapers of general circulation in the State. A notice will also be sent to both the person(s) requesting the hearing and the State. The hearing notice will include a statement of purpose, information regarding time and location, and the address and telephone number where interested persons may obtain further information. The RA will issue a final determination upon review of the hearing record.

Frivolous or insubstantial requests for a hearing may be denied by the RA. However, if a substantial request is made within thirty (30) days after this notice, a public hearing will be held.

Please bring this notice to the attention of any persons known by you to have an interest in this determination.

Dated: April 15, 2005.

Kerrigan G. Clough,

Deputy Regional Administrator, Region 8.

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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 May 20, 2005.

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

1. *Square 1 Financial, Inc.*, Pinehurst, North Carolina; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Square 1 Bank, Durham, North Carolina, in organization.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (Andre Anderson, Vice President) 1000 Peachtree Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30303:

1. *FirstFed Bancorp, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan*, Bessemer, Alabama; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 32 percent of the voting shares of FirstFed Bancorp, Inc., Bessemer, Alabama, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of First Financial Bank, Bessemer, Alabama.

2. *Habersham Bancorp*, Cornelia, Georgia; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Liberty Bank & Trust, Toccoa, Georgia.

C. Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis (Glenda Wilson, Community Affairs Officer) 411 Locust Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63166-2034:

1. *Mercantile Bancorp, Inc.*, Quincy, Illinois; to acquire an additional 7.25 percent, for a total of 21 percent, of the voting shares of Northstar Bancshares, Inc., Kansas City, Missouri, and thereby indirectly acquire additional voting shares of Northstar Bank, National Association, Kansas City, Missouri.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, April 19, 2005.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, HHS.

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), Department of Health and Human Services, is publishing the following summary of proposed collections for public comment. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the Agency's function; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

1. *Type of Information Request:* Revision of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Home Office Cost Statement and Supporting Regulations in 42 CFR 413.17 and 413.20; *Use:* The Home Office Cost Statement is filed annually by Chain Home Offices to report the information necessary for the determination of Medicare reimbursement to components of chain organizations. Many providers of service participating in Medicare are reimbursed, at least partially, on the basis of the lesser of reasonable cost or customary services for services furnished to eligible beneficiaries. When providers obtain services, supplies or facilities from an organization related to the provider by common ownership or control, 42 CFR 413.17 requires that the provider include in its costs, the costs incurred by the related organization in

furnishing such services, supplies or facilities. Revisions to this form include the addition of columns for more detailed reporting and the elimination of other columns that were deemed unnecessary; *Form Number*: CMS-287 (OMB # 0938-0202); *Frequency*: Annually; *Affected Public*: Not-for-profit institutions and Business or other for-profit; *Number of Respondents*: 1,231; *Total Annual Responses*: 1,231; *Total Annual Hours*: 573,646.

2. *Type of Information Collection Request*: Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection*: Attending Physicians Statement and Documentation of a Medicare Emergency and Supporting Regulations in 42 CFR 424.103; *Use*: 42 CFR 424.103(b) requires that before a nonparticipating hospital may be paid for emergency services rendered to a Medicare beneficiary, a statement must be submitted that is sufficiently comprehensive to support that an emergency existed. Form CMS-1771 contains a series of questions relating to the medical necessity of the emergency. The attending physician must attest that the hospitalization was required under the regulatory emergency definition (42 CFR 424.101 attached) and give clinical documentation to support the claim; *Form Number*: CMS-1771 (OMB #: 0938-0023); *Frequency*: Reporting—On occasion; *Affected Public*: Business or other for-profit; *Number of Respondents*: 200; *Total Annual Responses*: 200; *Total Annual Hours*: 50.

3. *Type of Information Collection Request*: Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection*: Quality Improvement Organization (QIO) Assumption of Responsibilities and Supporting Regulations in 42 CFR 412.44, 412.46, 431.630, 476.71, 476.73, 476.74, and 476.78; *Use*: The Peer Review Improvement Act of 1982 amended Title XI of the Social Security Act to create the Utilization and Quality Control Peer Review Organization (PRO) program which replaces the Professional Standards Review Organization (PSRO) program and streamlines peer review activities. The term PRO has been renamed Quality Improvement Organization (QIO). This collection describes the review functions to be performed by the QIO. It outlines relationships among QIOs, providers, practitioners, beneficiaries, intermediaries, and carriers; *Form Numbers*: CMS-R-71 (OMB # 0938-0445); *Frequency*: Recordkeeping and Third Party Disclosure, as needed; *Affected Public*: Business or other for-

profit; *Number of Respondents*: 6,036; *Total Annual Responses*: 6,036; *Total Annual Hours*: 81,818.

4. *Type of Information Collection Request*: Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection*: Independent Rural Health Center/Freestanding Federally Qualified Health Center Cost Report and Supporting Regulations in 42 CFR 413.20 and 413.24; *Use*: CMS is requesting re-approval of a currently approved form, CMS 222 (OMB No. 0938-0107). The current form implements various provisions of the Social Security Act including Section 1861(aa) which provides coverage under Part B of the Medicare program for certain services furnished by Rural Health Clinics (RHCs) and Freestanding Federally Qualified Health Clinics (FQHCs), including physician assistant and nurse practitioner services. The Medicare regulations provide for payment to clinics which are not part of a hospital (freestanding clinics) under an all-inclusive rate method designed to pay Medicare's share of the clinics' incurred reasonable costs for the services provided. Clinics which are part of a hospital are paid in accordance with the program's hospital reimbursement methods and principles.; *Form Numbers*: CMS-222 (OMB # 0938-0107); *Frequency*: Reporting—Annually; *Affected Public*: Not-for-profit institutions, Business or other for-profit, and State, local or tribal government; *Number of Respondents*: 3000; *Total Annual Responses*: 3000; *Total Annual Hours*: 150,000.

To obtain copies of the supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, access CMS Web site address at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/regulations/pral/>, or e-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and CMS document identifier, to Paperwork@cms.hhs.gov, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 786-1326.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections must be mailed within 30 days of this notice directly to the OMB desk officer:

OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, Attention: Christopher Martin, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: April 15, 2005.

Michelle Short,

Acting Director, CMS Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs, Regulations Development Group.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

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1. *Type of Information Collection Request*: Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection*: Request for Certification in the Medicare and/or Medicaid Program to Provide Outpatient Physical Therapy (OPT) and/or Speech Pathology Services, OPT Speech Pathology Survey Report and Supporting Regulations in 42 CFR 485.701-485.729.; *Form No.*: CMS-1856, CMS-1893 (OMB # 0938-0065); *Use*: The Medicare Program requires OPT providers to meet certain health and safety requirements. The request for certification form is used by State agency surveyors to determine if minimum Medicare eligibility requirements are met. The survey report form records the result of the on-site survey; *Frequency*: On occasion and Other—every 6 years; *Affected Public*: Business or other for-profit; *Number of*