

Dated: November 22, 1995.  
 Jeanne M. Fox,  
*Regional Administrator.*  
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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5336-4]

### Draft Cook Inlet General NPDES Permit for Oil and Gas Exploration, Production and Development in Waters of the United States: General NPDES Permit No. AKG285100

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10.

**ACTION:** Extension of the public comment period.

**SUMMARY:** On September 20, 1995, EPA provided notice of the draft general National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit no. AKG285100 for oil and gas stratigraphic and exploration wells on the Alaskan Outer Continental Shelf, in addition to exploration, production and development wells in offshore and coastal waters of the State of Alaska. The public comment period schedule was published in the notice. At the request of interested parties, EPA is today providing notice that the public comment period has been extended.

**DATES:** Original public notice issuance date: September 20, 1995. Extended public notice expiration date: January 29, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Public comments: Interested persons may submit written comments on the draft general NPDES permit to: Environmental Protection Agency, Attn: Laurie Mann (WD-134), 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, Washington 98101. All comments should include the name, address, and telephone number of the commenter and a concise statement of comment and the relevant facts upon which it is based. Comments of either support or concern which are directed at specific, cited permit requirements are appreciated. Comments must be submitted to EPA on or before the extended expiration date of the public notice.

Administrative record: The complete administrative record for the draft permit is available for public review at the EPA Seattle address listed above; and at the U.S. EPA, Anchorage Operations Office, Room 537, Federal Building, 222 West Seventh Avenue, #19, Anchorage, Alaska 99513. Copies of the draft general NPDES permit and fact sheet are available upon request from

the Region 10 Public Information Center at 1-800-424-4EPA (4372).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Laurie Mann, EPA Region 10, at the EPA Seattle address listed above or telephone (206) 553-1583.

Dated: November 2, 1995.  
 Philip G. Millam,  
*Acting Director, Office of Water.*  
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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[DA 95-2119]

### Licensing of General Category Frequencies

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** By this Order, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau suspends acceptance of General Category channels in the 800 MHz band. This action is taken to ensure the successful resolution of the spectrum allocation issues raised in PR Docket 93-144 are not compromised. The intended effect of this action is to freeze acceptance of new applications after the effective date.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** October 4, 1995.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** D'wana Speight or David Kirschner, Legal Branch, Commercial Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau at (202) 418-0620.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Adopted: October 4, 1995. Released: October 4, 1995.

By the Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau:

1. On October 20, 1994, the Commission adopted a Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in PR No. Docket 93-144, 59 FR 60111, November 22, 1994, which proposed a new framework for the licensing of Specialized Mobile Radio (SMR) systems in the 800 MHz band. In the context of this proceeding the Commission tentatively concluded that it should revise its eligibility rules for the General Category Channels to prohibit SMR and non-SMR applicants from applying for the same channels in the future. For the reasons stated below, we have decided to place a freeze on the filing of new applications for General Category frequencies.

2. The General Category channels are available to all eligible users in the 800 MHz band for either conventional or trunked operations. Recently, there has been a steep rise in demand for General

Category frequencies, especially by SMR applicants and licensees, as a result of regulatory actions affecting certain 800 MHz frequencies. On August 9, 1994, the Commission imposed a freeze on the acceptance of new 800 MHz applications on the 280 SMR category channels. In addition, on April 15, 1995, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau ("Bureau") placed a freeze on the filing of new applications for inter-category sharing on all private mobile radio service frequencies in the 806-821/851-866 MHz bands.

3. We believe that the current situation warrants a freeze on new applications for General Category channels. Because of the pressure placed on the General Category channels, unless we immediately freeze new applications the successful resolution of the spectrum allocation issues raised in PR Docket No. 93-144 could be compromised. Freezing acceptance of these applications is a temporary action that would preserve the current licensing landscape of the General Category and allow resolution of the issues regarding future licensing of these channels in PR Docket No. 93-144. We anticipate that this action will be of limited duration, because the Commission intends to resolve expeditiously the issues presented in PR Docket No. 93-144. We emphasize, however, that this action is limited to new applications for General Category channels and does not affect the acceptance of new applications for other categories of 800 MHz frequencies, e.g. Public Safety, Industrial/Land Transportation, and Business Category Channels.

4. As a result of today's action, we will continue to process those new applications for General Category channels which have been received by the Bureau's Licensing Division as of 12:00 a.m. midnight on October 4, 1995. All other applications, including those which still are in the frequency coordination process, will be subject to this freeze and, thus, will be returned to the applicant upon receipt by the Bureau's Licensing Division.

5. Accordingly, *it is ordered* That the acceptance of applications for the General Category channels is suspended effective October 4, 1995.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> The imposition of this freeze is procedural in nature and therefore is not subject to the notice and comment, and effective date requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act (APA). See *Kessler v. FCC*, 326 F.2d 673 (D.C. Cir. 1963). Furthermore, good cause exists for noncompliance with these APA requirements. Adherence to the notice and comment, and effective date requirements in this matter would be contrary to the public interest, because compliance would undercut the purposes of the freeze.

Federal Communications Commission.

Regina M. Keeney,

Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau.

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## FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

### Security for the Protection of the Public Financial Responsibility To Meet Liability Incurred for Death or Injury to Passengers or Other Persons on Voyages; Notice of Issuance of Certificate (Casualty)

Notice is hereby given that the following have been issued a Certificate of Financial Responsibility to Meet Liability Incurred for Death or Injury to Passengers or Other Persons on Voyages pursuant to the provisions of Section 2, Public Law 89-777 (46 U.S.C. 817(d)) and the Federal Maritime Commission's implementing regulations at 46 CFR Part 540, as amended:

Celebrity Cruises, Inc. and Blue Sapphire Marine, Inc., 5200 Blue Lagoon Drive, Miami, Florida 33126

Vessel: CENTURY

Dated: November 27, 1995.

Joseph C. Polking,

Secretary.

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### Security for the Protection of the Public Indemnification of Passengers for Nonperformance of Transportation; Notice of Issuance of Certificate (Performance)

Notice is hereby given that the following have been issued a Certificate of Financial Responsibility for Indemnification of Passengers for Nonperformance of Transportation pursuant to the provisions of Section 3, Public Law 89-777 (46 U.S.C. 817(e)) and the Federal Maritime Commission's implementing regulations at 46 C.F.R. Part 540, as amended:

Club Med Sales, Inc. and Services et Transports Cruise Lines, 40 West 57th Street, New York, N.Y. 10019

Vessel: CLUB MED 1

Dated: November 22, 1995.

Joseph C. Polking,

Secretary.

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## FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

### ABS Investors, LLC, et al.; Formations of; Acquisitions by; and Mergers of Bank Holding Companies

The companies listed in this notice have applied for the Board's approval under section 3 of the Bank Holding Company Act (12 U.S.C. 1842) and § 225.14 of the Board's Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.14) to become a bank holding company or to acquire a bank or bank holding company. The factors that are considered in acting on the applications are set forth in section 3(c) of the Act (12 U.S.C. 1842(c)).

Each application is available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. Once the application has been accepted for processing, it will also be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing to the Reserve Bank or to the offices of the Board of Governors. Any comment on an application that requests a hearing must include a statement of why a written presentation would not suffice in lieu of a hearing, identifying specifically any questions of fact that are in dispute and summarizing the evidence that would be presented at a hearing.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding each of these applications must be received not later than December 26, 1995.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (Zane R. Kelley, Vice President) 104 Marietta Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303:

1. *ABS Investors, LLC*, Atlanta, Georgia; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 50.1 percent of the voting shares of American Bankshares, Inc., Marietta, Georgia, and thereby indirectly acquire Cobb American Bank & Trust Company, Marietta, Georgia.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis (James M. Lyon, Vice President) 250 Marquette Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55480:

1. *Crosstown Holding Company*, Ham Lake, Minnesota; to merge with Balaton Agency, Inc., Balaton, Minnesota, and thereby indirectly acquire 21st Century Bank, Balaton, Minnesota.

C. Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas (Genie D. Short, Vice President) 2200 North Pearl Street, Dallas, Texas 75201-2272:

1. *Quanah Financial Corporation Employee Stock Ownership Plan*, Quanah, Texas; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 31.23 percent of the voting shares of Quanah

Financial Corporation, Quanah, Texas, and thereby indirectly acquire Quanah Bancshares, Inc., Quanah, Texas, and First National Bank, Quanah, Texas.

In connection with this application, Quanah Financial Corporation, Quanah, Texas, also has applied to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Quanah Bancshares, Inc., Quanah, Texas, and thereby indirectly acquire First National Bank, Quanah, Texas.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, November 27, 1995.

Jennifer J. Johnson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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### Commercial Guaranty Bancshares, Inc., et al.; Formations of; Acquisitions by; and Mergers of Bank Holding Companies

The companies listed in this notice have applied for the Board's approval under section 3 of the Bank Holding Company Act (12 U.S.C. 1842) and § 225.14 of the Board's Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.14) to become a bank holding company or to acquire a bank or bank holding company. The factors that are considered in acting on the applications are set forth in section 3(c) of the Act (12 U.S.C. 1842(c)).

Each application is available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. Once the application has been accepted for processing, it will also be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing to the Reserve Bank or to the offices of the Board of Governors. Any comment on an application that requests a hearing must include a statement of why a written presentation would not suffice in lieu of a hearing, identifying specifically any questions of fact that are in dispute and summarizing the evidence that would be presented at a hearing.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding each of these applications must be received not later than December 26, 1995.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City (John E. Yorke, Senior Vice President) 925 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri 64198:

1. *Commercial Guaranty Bancshares, Inc.*, Shawnee Mission, Kansas; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of First Commercial Bank, N.A., Overland Park, Kansas (in organization).