

Marietta Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-2713:

1. *Aliant Financial Corporation*, Alexander City, Alabama; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Aliant National Corporation, Alexander City, Alabama, and thereby indirectly acquire Aliant Bank, Alexander City, Alabama.

2. *InSouth Florida, Inc.*, Naples, Florida; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of First Western Bank, Cooper City, Florida.

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

1. *Farmers Bancshares, Inc.*, Center, Texas; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Carthage Bancshares, Inc., Carthage, Texas, and thereby indirectly acquire First National Bank, Carthage, Texas.

D. Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco (Maria Villanueva, Manager of Analytical Support, Consumer Regulation Group) 101 Market Street, San Francisco, California 94105-1579:

1. *Frontier Financial Corporation*, Everett, Washington; to acquire up to 9.9 percent of the voting shares of Washington Banking Company, Oak Harbor, Washington, and thereby indirectly acquire Whidbey Island Bank, Oak Harbor, Washington.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, October 27, 1997.

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.

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 November 16, 1998.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of New York (Betsy Buttrill White, Senior Vice President) 33 Liberty Street, New York, New York 10045-0001:

1. *Deutsche Bank AG*, Frankfurt (Main), Federal Republic of Germany; to acquire through its subsidiary, German American Capital Corporation, New York, New York, up to 100 percent of the voting shares of Boullioun Aircraft Services, Inc., Bellevue, Washington, and thereby indirectly engage in leasing, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(3) of Regulation Y; in furnishing general economic information and advice, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(3) of Regulation Y; in making, acquiring, brokering, or servicing loans, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(1) of Regulation Y; in collection of assets, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(2) of Regulation Y; and in certain asset management and financial advisory services, permissible by the by previous Board order. *See, The Dai-Ichi Kangyo Bank, Ltd.*, 79 Fed. Res. Bull. 131 (1993).

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, October 27, 1998.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Associate Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Notice of a Meeting of the National Bioethics Advisory Commission (NBAC)

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is given of a meeting of the National Bioethics Advisory Commission. The Commission will continue addressing (1) the protection of the rights and welfare of human subjects in research involving persons with mental disorders that may affect decisionmaking capacity and (2) the use of human biological materials in research. Some Commission members may participate by telephone conference. The meeting is open to the

public and opportunities for statements by the public will be provided on November 17, 1998 from 11:30 am to 12 Noon.

Dates/times	Location
November 17, 1998, 8 am-5 pm.	The Crystal Ballroom, Mayfair House, 3000 Florida Avenue, Coconut Grove/Miami, Florida.
November 18, 1998, 8 am-5 pm.	Same Location as Above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The President established the National Bioethics Advisory Commission (NBAC) on October 3, 1995 by Executive Order 12975 as amended. The mission of the NBAC is to advise and make recommendations to the National Science and Technology Council, its Chair, the President, and other entities on bioethical issues arising from the research on human biology and behavior, and from the applications of that research.

Public Participation

The meeting is open to the public with attendance limited by the availability of space on a first come, first serve basis. Members of the public who wish to present oral statements should contact Ms. Patricia Norris by telephone, fax machine, or mail as shown below and as soon as possible at least 4 days before the meeting. The Chair will reserve time for presentations by persons requesting to speak and asks that oral statements be limited to five minutes. The order of persons wanting to make a statement will be assigned in the order in which requests are received. Individuals unable to make oral presentations can mail or fax their written comments to the NBAC staff office at least five business days prior to the meeting for distribution to the Commission and inclusion in the public record. The Commission also accepts general comments at its website at bioethics.gov. Persons needing special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other special accommodations, should contact NBAC staff at the address or telephone number listed below as soon as possible.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Patricia Norris, National Bioethics Advisory Commission, 6100 Executive Boulevard, Suite 5B01, Rockville,

Maryland 20892-7508, telephone 301-402-4242, fax number 301-480-6900.

Henrietta D. Hyatt-Knorr,

Deputy Executive Director, National Bioethics Advisory Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics: Meeting

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Department of Health and Human Services announces the following advisory committee meeting.

Name: National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics (NCVHS).

Times and Dates: 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m., November 12, 1998, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., November 13, 1998.

Place: Conference Room 505A, Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20201.

Status: Open.

Purpose: The meeting will focus on a variety of health data policy and privacy issues. Department officials will update the Committee on recent activities of the HHS Data Council and the status of HHS activities in implementing the administrative simplification provisions of Pub. L. 104-491, the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA). The Committee also will be briefed on data needed to support the Initiative to Eliminate Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Health as well as Healthy People 2010. Presentations are scheduled on the National Academy of Sciences' new panel study on second generation internet requirements for health applications, and strategies for obtaining public health infrastructure data. In addition, Subcommittee breakout sessions are planned.

All topics are tentative and subject to change. Please check the NCVHS website, where a detailed agenda will be posted prior to the meeting.

Contact Person for More Information:

Substantive information as well as summaries of NCVHS meetings and a roster of committee members may be obtained by visiting the NCVHS website (<http://aspe.os.dhhs.gov/ncvhs>) where an agenda for the meeting will be posted when available. Additional information may be obtained by calling James Scanlon, NCVHS Executive Staff Director, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, DHHS, Room 440-D, Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20201, telephone (202) 690-7100, or Marjorie S. Greenberg, Executive Secretary, NCVHS, NCHS, CDC, Room 1100, Presidential Building, 6525 Belcrest Road, Hyattsville, Maryland 20782, telephone 301/436-7050.

Note: In the interest of security, the Department has instituted stringent procedures for entrance to the Hubert H.

Humphrey Building by non-government employees. Thus, individuals without a government identification card may need to have the guard call for an escort to the meeting room.

Dated: October 27, 1998.

James Scanlon,

Director, Division of Data Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the following committee meeting:

Name: Task Group session of the Safety and Occupational Health Study Section (SOHSS), National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH).

Time and date: 1 p.m.-3 p.m., November 18, 1998.

Place: NIOSH/CDC Research Facility, Teleconference Room P-B229, 3040 University Avenue, Morgantown, West Virginia 26505.

Status: Open 1 p.m.-1:30 p.m. November 18, 1998. Closed 1:30 p.m.-3 p.m. November 18, 1998.

Purpose: A Task Group session of the Safety and Occupational Health Study Section will review, discuss, and evaluate grant application(s) received in response to the Institute's numbered solicitation, Request for Application Number 98030 entitled, "Occupational Radiation and Energy-Related Health Research Grants" which pertains to specific aspects of the following endeavors: (a) research to identify and investigate the relationships between health outcomes and occupational exposure to radiation and other hazardous agents; (b) epidemiological methods research relevant to energy-related occupational health research; and (c) research related to assessing occupational exposures. The focus of the proposed research should reflect the following topical areas, emphasizing field research: (1) retrospective exposure assessment; (2) radiation measurement issues; (3) non-cancer morbidity and mortality outcomes; (4) meta-analysis and combined analysis methodologies; (5) uncertainty analysis; (6) effects of measurement error on risk estimates; (7) studies of current workers; and (8) risk communication and worker outreach.

It is the intent of NIOSH to support broad-based research endeavors in keeping with the Institute's program goals which will lead to improved understanding and appreciation for the magnitude of the aggregate health burden associated with occupational injuries and illnesses, as well as to support more focused research projects which will lead to improvements in the delivery of occupational safety and health services and the prevention

of work-related injury and illness. It is anticipated that research funded will promote these program goals.

Matters to be discussed: The meeting will convene in open session from 1-1:30 p.m. on November 18, 1998, to address matters related to the conduct of Study Section business. The remainder of the meeting will proceed in closed session. The purpose of the closed session is for the Task Group of the Safety and Occupational Health Study Section to consider grant applications related to the cited solicitation. This portion of the meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with provisions set forth in section 552(c) (4) and (6) title 5 U.S.C., and the Determination of the Associate Director for Management and Operations, CDC, pursuant to Pub. L. 92-463.

Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

Contact person for more information:

Pervis C. Major, Ph.D., Scientific Review Administrator, Office of Extramural Coordination and Special Projects, Office of the Director, NIOSH, 1095 Willowdale Road, Morgantown, West Virginia 26505. Telephone 304/285-5979.

Dated: October 27, 1998.

Carolyn J. Russell,

Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Notice of Meeting; Safety and Occupational Health Study Section; NIOSH Meetings

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the following committee meeting:

Name: Task Group session of the Safety and Occupational Health Study Section (SOHSS), National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH).

Time and date: 1 p.m.-3 p.m., November 20, 1998.

Place: NIOSH/CDC Research Facility, Teleconference Room P-B229, 3040 University Avenue, Morgantown WV, 26505.

Status: Open 1 p.m.-1:30 p.m., November 20, 1998. Closed 1:30 p.m.-3 p.m., November 20, 1998.

Purpose: A Task Group session of the Safety and Occupational Health Study Section will review, discuss, and evaluate grant application(s) received in response to the Institute's numbered solicitation, Request for Application Number 98030 entitled, "Occupational Radiation and Energy-Related Health Research Grants" which pertains to specific aspects of the following endeavors: