

powdery mildew. This program has ended. (Dave Deegan)

2. Arkansas State Plant Board on May 7, 1996, for the use of cyhalothrin on rice to control greenbug and oakcherry aphids. This program has ended. (Dave Deegan)

3. Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry on June 8, 1996, for the use of cyhalothrin on rice to control armyworms. This program has ended. (Dave Deegan)

4. Montana Department of Agriculture on June 8, 1996, for the use of bifenthrin on canola to control the orucifer flea beetle. (Andrea Beard)

5. Texas Department of Agriculture on May 29, 1996, for the use of cyhalothrin on rice to control fall armyworms. This program is expected to last until September 1, 1996. (Dave Deegan)

6. Washington Department of Agriculture on June 14, 1996, for the use of tebuconazole on wheat to control stripe rust. This program has ended. (Dave Deegan)

7. U.S. Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspector Service on June 11, 1996, for the use of sodium hypochlorite as a seed disinfectant for karnal bunt eradication. This program is expected to last until April 15, 1999. (Dave Deegan)

8. U.S. Department of Agriculture on June 20, 1996, for the use of d-phenothrin on aircraft and other transportation vehicles to control Fruit flies, Japanese beetles and other insects. This program is expected to last until June 27, 1999. (Libby Pemberton)

EPA has granted quarantine exemptions to the:

1. U.S. Department of Agriculture for the use of d-phenothrin on aircraft and cargo containers to control Fruit flies, Japanese beetles and other insects throughout the United States; June 28, 1996, to June 27, 1999. (Libby Pemberton)

2. U.S. Department of Defense for the use of paraformaldehyde on biological containment areas to control various disease causing organisms (ebola, anthrax, plague, etc.); June 28, 1996, to June 28, 1999. (Steve Jarboe)

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 136.

#### List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Pesticides and pests, Crisis exemptions.

Dated: October 18, 1996.

Stephen L. Johnson,  
Director, Registration Division, Office of  
Pesticide Programs.

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#### Taylor Road Landfill Superfund Site; Notice of Proposed De Minimis Settlement

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of proposed de minimis settlement.

**SUMMARY:** Under Section 122(g)(4) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) proposes to enter into an Administrative Order on Consent (AOC) with 32 *de minimis* parties at the Taylor Road Landfill Superfund Site (Site), located in Hillsborough County, Florida, to settle claims for past and future response costs at the Site. EPA will consider public comments on the proposed settlement for thirty days. EPA may withdraw from or modify the proposed settlement should such comments disclose facts or considerations which indicate the proposed settlement is inappropriate, improper, or inadequate. Copies of the proposed settlement and a list of proposed settling *de minimis* parties are available from: Ms. Paula V. Batchelor, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency—Region 4, Program Services Branch, Waste Management Division, 100 Alabama Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303, (404) 562-8887. Written comment may be submitted to Mr. Greg Armstrong at the above address within 30 days of the date of publication.

Dated: October 17, 1996.

Jewell Harper,

Acting Director, Waste Management Division.

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#### FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

##### Change in Bank Control Notices; Acquisitions of Shares of Banks 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. Once the notices have been accepted for processing, they 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 indicated for that notice or to the offices of the Board of Governors. Comments must be received not later than November 14, 1996.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago (James A. Bluemle, Vice President) 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60690:

1. *Kenneth Whitmore and James Whitmore*, both of Clarinda, Iowa; to acquire an additional 50.54 percent, for a total of 92.56 percent, of the voting shares of Whitmore Company, Inc., Corning, Iowa, and thereby indirectly acquire Okey-Vernon First National Bank, Corning, Iowa, Page County State Bank, Clarinda, Iowa, and First Federal Savings Bank of Creston, Creston, Iowa.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis (Karen L. Grandstrand, Vice President) 250 Marquette Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55480:

1. *Freda Evans and Tom Evans*, both of Stanford, Montana; to retain 50.4 percent of the shares of Big Sky Holding Company, Stanford, Montana, and thereby indirectly acquire Basin State Bank, Stanford, Montana.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, October 24, 1996.

Jennifer J. Johnson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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#### 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. 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 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, including whether the acquisition of the nonbanking company can "reasonably be expected to produce benefits to the public, such as greater convenience, increased competition, or gains in efficiency, that outweigh possible adverse effects, such as undue concentration of resources, decreased or unfair competition, conflicts of interests, or unsound banking practices" (12 U.S.C. 1843). Any request for a hearing must be accompanied by a statement of the reasons a written presentation would not suffice in lieu of a hearing, identifying specifically any questions of fact that are in dispute, summarizing the evidence that would be presented at a hearing, and indicating how the party commenting would be aggrieved by approval of the proposal. Unless otherwise noted, nonbanking activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

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 November 25, 1996.

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

1. *Forrest City Financial Corporation*, Forrest City, Arkansas; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Forrest City Bank, N.A., Forrest City, Arkansas. Forest City Bank currently operates as Forrest City Bank, FSB, and will convert to a national bank.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, October 24, 1996.

Jennifer J. Johnson,

*Deputy Secretary of the Board.*

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## GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

[GSA Bulletin FTR 22]

### Federal Travel Regulation; Texas State Court Decision Overturning Texas House Bill 2129 That Imposed a Hotel Occupancy Tax on the Federal Government and Federal Employees For Official Travel Performed in the State of Texas

**AGENCY:** Office of Governmentwide Policy, GSA.

**ACTION:** Notice of bulletin.

**SUMMARY:** The attached bulletin informs agencies of the recent Texas State court

decision which overturned a recently enacted Texas State hotel occupancy tax. The Texas State legislature enacted Texas House Bill 2129, effective September 1, 1995, which imposed a 6 percent hotel occupancy tax on the use or possession of a hotel room in the State of Texas on the Federal Government and on Federal employees lodging in the state while performing official government travel. On April 30, 1996, a Texas State court ruled that Texas House Bill 2129 was unconstitutional on the basis that the provisions taxing the Federal Government and Federal employees performing official travel violated Article VI, clause 2, of the U.S. Constitution (the Supremacy Clause), as well as Article VIII, section 1 and Article I, section 3 of the Texas State Constitution (the Equal Protection Clause). Agencies and their employees must no longer be assessed this tax while lodging in Texas on official government business.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Agencies may wish to issue internal guidance informing their employees who perform official travel in the State of Texas that the 6 percent Texas State hotel occupancy tax must not be paid. The General Services Administration is attempting to coordinate a refund of improperly collected taxes and will issue further guidance on this subject.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Calvin L. Pittman, General Services Administration, Travel and Transportation Management Policy Division (MTT), Washington, DC 20405, telephone 202-501-1538.

Dated: October 17, 1996.

Becky Rhodes,

*Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Transportation and Personal Property.*

Attachment

Attachment

October 17, 1996.

TO: Heads of Federal agencies.

SUBJECT: Texas State court decision overturning Texas House Bill 2129 that imposed a hotel occupancy tax on the Federal Government and Federal employees for official travel performed in the State of Texas.

1. *Purpose.* This bulletin informs agencies of a recent Texas State court decision which overturned the Texas State hotel occupancy tax imposed on September 1, 1995.

2. *Background.* The Texas State legislature enacted House bill 2129 which imposed a 6 percent hotel occupancy tax on the use or possession of a hotel room in the State of Texas on the Federal Government and on Federal

employees lodging in the state while performing official government travel. Texas House Bill 2129 became effective on September 1, 1995. However, on April 30, 1996, a Texas State court ruled that Texas House Bill 2129 was unconstitutional on the basis that the provisions taxing the Federal Government and Federal employees performing official travel violated Article VI, clause 2, of the U.S. Constitution (the Supremacy Clause), as well as Article VIII, section 1 and Article I, section 3 of the Texas State Constitution (the Equal Protection Clause). See *La Quinta Inns, Inc. v. John Sharp*, No. 95-15739 (Dist. Ct. Tex., Apr. 30, 1996). Agencies may wish to issue internal guidance to inform their employees performing official travel in the State of Texas that the 6 percent Texas State hotel occupancy tax must not be paid.

3. *Expiration date.* This bulletin expires for administrative tracking purposes on April 30, 1997.

4. *For further information contact.* Calvin L. Pittman, General Services Administration, Travel and Transportation Management Policy Division (MTT), Washington, DC 20405, telephone 202-501-1538.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Office of the Secretary

#### HHS Management and Budget Office; Office of Facilities Services; Statement of Organization, Functions and Delegations of Authority

Part A, Office of the Secretary, Statement of Organization, Functions and Delegations of Authority for the Department of Health and Human Services is being amended at Chapter AM, HHS Management and Budget Office, Chapter AMQ, Administrative Services Center, as last amended at 57 FR 37823-24, 8/20/92. The change is to delete Chapter AMQ and replace with a new Chapter AMR, retitle the Administrative Services Center as the Office of Facilities Services and realign its functions. The changes are as follows:

Delete Chapter AMQ, "Administrative Services Center," in its entirety and replace with the following:

A. AMR.00 Mission. The Office of Facilities Services (OFS) provides leadership and direction for real property management operations and provides Department-wide policy