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.

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 August 13, 1999

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Boston (Richard Walker, Community Affairs Officer) 600 Atlantic Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts 02106-2204:

1. Westborough Bancorp, M.H.C., and Westborough Financial Services, Inc., both of Westborough, Massachusetts; to become bank holding companies by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Westborough Savings Bank, Westborough, Massachusetts.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, July 14, 1999.

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 August 3, 1999.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago (Philip Jackson, Applications Officer) 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60690-1413:

1. Firstar Corporation, Milwaukee, Wisconsin (Firstar); to acquire all the nonbank subsidiaries of Mercantile Bancorporation, Inc., St. Louis, Missouri (Mercantile), and to engage, directly or indirectly through such nonbank subsidiaries, in a variety of nonbanking activities that have previously been determined to be permissible for bank holding companies. The nonbanking companies that Firstar proposes to acquire are listed in the notice filed with the Board, and include FFG Trust, Inc., Springfield, Illinois, Mercantile Trust Company National Association, St. Louis, Missouri, D.D. Development of Sterling, Sterling, Illinois, Mercantile Consumer Loan Company, Rock Island, Illinois, and Mississippi Valley Life Insurance Company, St. Louis, Missouri. The nonbanking activities of the companies to be acquired also are listed in the notice and include engaging in trust company functions, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(5) of Regulation Y; community development financing and investment activities, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(12)(i) of Regulation Y; making and servicing loans, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(1) of Regulation Y; and credit insurance activities, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(11)(i) of Regulation Y; and in engaging all activities that Mercantile currently is authorized to conduct.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, July 14, 1999.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Associate Secretary of the Board. [FR Doc. 99–18399 Filed 7–19–99; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6210–01–F

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

Gastroenterology and Urology Devices Panel of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

This notice announces a forthcoming meeting of a public advisory committee of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). At least one portion of the meeting will be closed to the public.

Name of Committee: Gastroenterology and Urology Devices Panel of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee.

General Function of the Committee: To provide advice and recommendations to the agency on FDA's regulatory issues.

Date and Time: The meeting will be held on July 29, 1999, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Location: Corporate Bldg., conference room 020B, 9200 Corporate Blvd., Rockville, MD.

Contact Person: Mary J. Cornelius, Center for Devices and Radiological Health (HFZ–470), Food and Drug Administration, 9200 Corporate Blvd., Rockville, MD 20850, 301–594–2194, ext. 118, or FDA Advisory Committee Information Hotline, 1–800–741–8138 (301–443–0572 in the Washington, DC area), code 12523. Please call the information Line for up-to-date information on this meeting.

Agenda: The committee will discuss, make recommendations, and vote on a premarket approval application for a urethral bulking and coaptation device for the treatment of stress urinary incontinence due to intrinsic sphincter insufficiency. The committee will also discuss possible revisions to the document entitled "Draft Guidance For Preparation of PMA Applications for Testicular Prostheses," issued March 16, 1993. Single copies of the draft guidance are available to the public by calling 1-800-899-0381 or 301-827-0111, and requesting Facts-On-Demand document number 809, or on the Internet at "http:/ /www.fda.gov/cdrh/ode/ oderp809.html"

Procedure: On July 29, 1999, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., the meeting is open to the public. Interested persons may present data, information, or views, orally or in writing, on issues pending before the committee. Written submissions may be made to the contact person by July 23, 1999. Oral presentations from the public will be scheduled between approximately 9 a.m. and 9:30 a.m., and between approximately 3 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Time allotted for each presentation may be limited. Those desiring to make formal oral presentations should notify the contact person before July 23, 1999, and submit a brief statement of the general nature of the evidence or arguments they wish to present, the names and addresses of proposed participants, and an indication of the approximate time requested to make their presentation.

Closed Committee Deliberations: On July 29, 1999, from 8 a.m. to 8:30 a.m., the meeting will be closed to permit discussion and review of trade secret and/or confidential commercial information (5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(4)) regarding present and future FDA issues.

FDA regrets that it was unable to publish this notice 15 days prior to the

July 29, 1999 Medical Devices Advisory Committee meeting. Because the agency believes there is some urgency to bring these issues to public discussion and qualified members of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee were available at this time, the Commissioner concluded that it was in the public interest to hold this meeting even if there was not sufficient time for the customary 15-day public notice.

Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. app. 2).

Dated: July 29, 1999.

Linda A. Suydam,

Senior Associate Commissioner. [FR Doc. 99–18383 Filed 7–19–99; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4160–01–F

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration [HCFA-0359/0360/R-0055]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration, HHS.

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), 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 functions; (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

Type of Information Collection Request: Extension of a currently approved collection; Title of Information Collection: Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facility (CORF) Eligibility and Survey Forms and Information Collection Requirements in 42 CFR 485.56, 485.58, 485.60, 485.64, 485.66, 410.105; Form No.: HCFA-0359/0360/R-0055 (OMB #0938-0267); In order to participate in the Medicare proram as a CORF,

providers must meet federal conditions of participation. The certification form is needed to determine if providers meet at least preliminary requirements. The survey form is used to record provider compliance with the individual conditions and report findings to HCFA.; Frequency: Annually; Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal Government; Number of Respondents: 540; Total Annual Responses: 540; Total Annual Hours: 260,848.

To obtain copies of the supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, access HCFA's Web Site address at http://www.hcfa.gov/ regs/prdact95.htm, or E-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and HCFA document identifier, to Paperwork@hcfa.gov, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 786-1326. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections must be mailed within 60 days of this notice directly to the HCFA Paperwork Clearance Officer designated at the following address:

HČFA, Office of Information Services, Security and Standards Group, Division of HCFA Enterprise Standards, Attention: Louis Blank, Room N2–14– 26, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21244–1850.

Dated: July 12, 1999.

John P. Burke III,

HCFA Reports Clearance Officer, HCFA Office of Information Services, Security and Standards Group, Division of HCFA Enterprise Standards.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

Notice of a Cooperative Agreement With the University of Southern California AIDS Social Policy Archive

The Health Resources and Services Administration's (HRSA) HIV/AIDS Bureau (HAB) announces that it will award a cooperative agreement to The University of Southern California AIDS Social Policy Archive (USC).

The purpose of this cooperative agreement is to (1) assist USC in an expansion of training programs to help community-based organizations train, place, and support a cadre of HIV/AIDS peer treatment educators from racial and ethnic minority groups as a strategy to engage and retain more persons of color in high quality care and to evaluate the

effectiveness of this type of intervention; and (2) establish a Center for Peer HIV/AIDS Treatment Educators in order to support the training and development of knowledgeable peer educators to work within minority communities on treatment education, to increase the awareness, acceptance and appropriate utilization of effective new therapies by HIV positive persons. This project is an essential part of HAB's response to address HIV/AIDS among racial and ethnic minority populations as a part of the Congressional Black Caucus Initiative. HRSA's role in the cooperative agreement will include providing consultation and technical assistance in planning, operating, and evaluating program activities; facilitating collaboration with Ryan White grantees and other HIV national and community organizations to reach the target population; facilitating efforts in the provision of technical assistance and training to specified individuals and organizations; participating, as appropriate, in planning and producing any conferences, meetings, or workgroups conducted during the period of the cooperative agreement; and maintaining an ongoing dialogue with the applicant concerning program plans, policies, and other issues which may have major implications for any activities undertaken by the applicant under the Cooperative Agreement.

Authorizing Legislation

An award will be made under the program authority of Section 2692 (a) of the Public Health Service Act, 42 U.S.C. 300ff–11.

Background

Assistance will only be provided to USC. No other applications are solicited, nor will they be accepted. This organization is the only qualified entity to administer this cooperative agreement because:

- 1. The University of Southern California AIDS Social Policy Archive is the only entity that has designed a university-based peer treatment educator training program that will create a cadre of highly-trained HIV/AIDS peer treatment educators for the purpose of increasing the numbers of HIV infected African Americans entering and remaining in health care, adhering to treatment regimes, and advocating for their own health care needs.
- 2. This organization and its staff are established leaders in developing and promoting national and local HIV-related treatment education and policy campaigns aimed at reducing the impact