

of the Board of Governors. Comments must be received not later than October 22, 1999.

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

1. *Jo Bess Jackson*, Dallas, Texas; to acquire additional voting shares of First Sonora Bancshares, Inc., Sonora, Texas, and thereby indirectly acquire additional voting shares of First National Bank, Sonora, Texas.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, October 4, 1999.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Associate Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

TIME AND DATE: 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, October 13, 1999.

PLACE: Marriner S. Eccles Federal Reserve Board Building, 20th and C Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20551.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Personnel actions (appointments, promotions, assignments, reassignments, and salary actions) involving individual Federal Reserve System employees.

2. Any matters carried forward from a previously announced meeting.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Lynn S. Fox, Assistant to the Board; 202-452-3204.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: You may call 202-452-3206 beginning at approximately 5 p.m. two business days before the meeting for a recorded announcement of bank and bank holding company applications scheduled for the meeting; or you may contact the Board's Web site at <http://www.federalreserve.gov> for an electronic announcement that not only lists applications, but also indicates procedural and other information about the meeting.

Dated: October 6, 1999

Robert deV. Frierson,

Associate Secretary of the Board.

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GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board; Approval of Statements of Federal Financial Accounting Concepts and Standards

AGENCY: GAO, Treasury, OMB.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The General Accounting Office, the Department of the Treasury, and the Office of Management and Budget (the FASAB principals) are announcing that they have agreed to modify their Memorandum of Understanding of October 1990, which established the Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board (FASAB), to revise its accounting standard-setting process. The revised procedures provide that a Statement of Federal Financial Accounting Standards or Concepts will become final 90 days after FASAB has transmitted its proposed concept or standard to each of the three FASAB principals, so long as no principal, during that 90-day period, advises FASAB of an objection.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Richard Tingley, Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board, 441 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20548; 202 512-7350.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board FASAB or the Board) was established by Memorandum of Understanding of the Secretary of the Treasury, the Comptroller General, and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget (the Board's principals) in October 1990 to consider and recommend accounting concepts and standards for the Federal Government. The Memorandum of Understanding directed the Board to determine detailed procedures to implement an accounting standard-setting process. In 1991, the Board issued its Rules of Procedure, which were approved by its three principals.

The Secretary of the Treasury, the Comptroller General, and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget have agreed to modify their Memorandum of Understanding of October, 1990 and the Board has determined to revise its rules of Procedure for implementing an accounting standard-setting process as follows. When the Board has developed a proposed concept or standard, the Board shall submit it to the Comptroller

General, the Secretary of the Treasury, and the Director of OMB for their review. If, within 90 days after its submission, any one of these officials objects to the proposed concept or standard, then it shall be returned to the Board for further consideration. If, within 90 days after its submission, none of these officials objects to the proposed concept or standard, then it shall become a final concept or standard of the Board. The Board will publish notice of final concepts and standards in the **Federal Register**.

The principals agree that standards set and promulgated following the Board's Rules of Procedure are recognized to have substantial authoritative support, and those accounting standards contrary to such promulgation are not. In accepting the revisions to the Memorandum of Understanding and the Board's Rules of Procedure, the principals retain their authorities, separately and jointly, to establish and adopt accounting standards for the Federal Government.

Dated: October 4, 1999.

Philip T. Calder,

Chief Accountant, General Accounting Office.

Dated: October 4, 1999.

Robert N. Reid,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Accounting Operations, Department of the Treasury.

Dated: October 4, 1999.

Sheila O. Conley,

Acting Controller, Office of Management and Budget.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

[30DAY-01-00]

Agency Forms Undergoing Paperwork Reduction Act Review

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) publishes a list of information collection requests under review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). To request a copy of these requests, call the CDC Reports Clearance Officer at (404) 639-7090. Send written comments to CDC, Desk Officer; Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235; Washington, DC 20503. Written comments should be received within 30 days of this notice.

Proposed Project

1. Evaluation of the Effectiveness of Targeted Lookback for Identifying Transfusion Recipients Who Receive Blood That May Have Contained Hepatitis C Virus—NEW—National Center for Infectious Disease (NCID)—The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has recently issued guidelines for notification of persons who received blood or blood components from donors who subsequently tested positive for antibody to hepatitis C virus (anti-HCV) using a licensed multiantigen assay.¹ Blood collection establishments will identify potentially HCV-contaminated blood products and inform transfusion services of these units. The transfusion services will then attempt to notify the recipients of these products and encourage these recipients to be tested for HCV infection. CDC, in collaboration with the Agency for Health Care Policy and Research (AHCPR) and the FDA, has been charged with the responsibility of evaluating this nationwide notification process. The objective of this study is to evaluate the

effectiveness of the targeted lookback for identifying persons infected with HCV, obtaining appropriate medical follow-up, and promoting healthy lifestyles and behaviors. The evaluation has three specific aims:

1. Determine the effectiveness of targeted lookback for identifying prior transfusion recipients with HCV infection, including the proportion of recipients identified who are ultimately tested, the proportion of those tested who are HCV positive, the reasons persons do not receive notification, and the reasons persons do not avail themselves of testing.
2. Determine the effectiveness of targeted lookback for encouraging and obtaining appropriate medical follow-up and promoting healthy lifestyles and behaviors among persons found positive for HCV infection, including proportion of HCV-positive persons who seek medical evaluation and outcome of that evaluation (severity of liver disease, anti-viral therapy, quality of counseling), and reactions/impact of notification on HCV-negative persons.

3. Determine the cost-effectiveness of targeted lookback, including resources (cost, personnel, etc.) utilized by blood collection groups and transfusion services for implementation and costs of medical evaluation and management.

The evaluation will comprise the following components:

1. A nationwide survey of blood collection establishments.
2. A nationwide survey of transfusion services.
3. A follow-up study of transfusion recipients presumed to have been notified of their potential HCV exposure. This detailed study will involve contacting and interviewing transfusion recipients from a sample of transfusion services in defined geographic areas.
4. A follow-up study of notified transfusion recipients who obtain HCV testing offered by blood collection centers.

The total annual burden hours are 12,040.

Respondents	Number of respondents	Number of responses/re-spondents	Avg. burden/response (in hours)
Blood collection establishments	140	1	5
Transfusion services	5,000	1	5
Transfusion recipients (first telephone contact)	5,000	1	0.2
Transfusion recipients (second telephone contact)	2,000	1	0.5
Transfusion recipients (follow-up interview and study)	200	3	0.5
Transfusion recipients (first interview of recipients tested at ARC/ABC)	500	1	0.2
Transfusion recipients (follow-up interview and study of recipients tested at ARC/ABC)	100	3	0.5

Dated: October 4, 1999.

Nancy Cheal,

Acting Associate Director for Policy, Planning, and Evaluation, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 99N-0780]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Announcement of OMB Approval; Food Canning Establishment Registration, Process Filing and Recordkeeping for Acidified Foods and Thermally Processed Low-Acid Foods in Hermetically Sealed Containers

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that a collection of information entitled "Food Canning Establishment

Registration, Process Filing and Recordkeeping for Acidified Foods and Thermally Processed Low-Acid Foods in Hermetically Sealed Containers" has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Peggy Schlosburg, Office of Information Resources Management (HFA-250), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301-827-1223.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the **Federal Register** of July 26, 1999 (64 FR 40377), the agency announced that the proposed information collection had been submitted to OMB for review and clearance under 44 U.S.C. 3507. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control

¹ Food and Drug Administration. Guidance For Industry. Current Good Manufacturing Practice for Blood and Blood Components: (1) Quarantine and Disposition of Units from Prior Collections from

Donors with Repeatedly Reactive Screening Tests for Antibody to Hepatitis C Virus (Anti-HCV); (2) Supplemental Testing, and the Notification of Consignees and Blood Recipients of Donor Test

Results for Anti-HCV. Rockville, MD: Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, FDA; September 1998.