

FHC status must notify the Board, by filing the FR 4012 notice, of the deficiency, and often must submit plans to the Board to cure the deficiency. Any SMB seeking to establish a financial subsidiary must seek the Board's prior approval by submitting the FR 4017 requirements. Any FHC seeking to extend the 10-year holding period for a merchant banking investment must submit the FR 4019 requirements to apply for the Board's prior approval, and a FHC also must notify the Board if it routinely manages or operates a portfolio company for more than nine months. All FHCs engaging in merchant banking activities must keep records of those activities, and make them available to examiners. There are no formal reporting forms for these event-generated filings.

**3. Report title:** Notice Claiming Status as an Exempt Transfer Agent

*Agency form number:* FR 4013

*OMB Control number:* 7100-0137

*Frequency:* On occasion

*Reporters:* Banks, bank holding companies (BHCs), and certain trust companies

*Annual reporting hours:* 6 hours

*Estimated average hours per response:* 2 hours

*Number of respondents:* 3

*General description of report:* This information collection is voluntary (15 U.S.C. 78q-1(c)(1)) and the Federal Reserve is authorized to collect this data (15 U.S.C. 78c (a)(34)(B)(ii)). The data collected are not given confidential treatment.

*Abstract:* Banks, BHCs, and trust companies subject to the Federal Reserve's supervision that are low-volume transfer agents voluntarily file the notice on occasion with the Federal Reserve. Transfer agents are institutions that provide securities transfer, registration, monitoring, and other specified services on behalf of securities issuers. The purpose of the notice, which is effective until the agent withdraws it, is to claim exemption from certain rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). The Federal Reserve uses the notices for supervisory purposes because the SEC has assigned to the Federal Reserve responsibility for collecting the notices and verifying their accuracy through examinations of the respondents. The notice is made by letter; there is no reporting form.

**4. Report title:** Notice of Branch Closure

*Agency form number:* 4031

*OMB control number:* 7100-0264

*Frequency:* On occasion

*Reporters:* State member banks

*Annual reporting hours:* 783

*Estimated average hours per response:* 2 hours for reporting requirements; 1 hour for disclosure requirements; 8 hours for recordkeeping requirements

*Number of respondents:* 239

*General description of report:* This information collection is mandatory (12 U.S.C. 1831r-l(a)(1)) and may be given confidential treatment upon request (5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4)).

*Abstract:* The mandatory reporting, recordkeeping, and disclosure requirements regarding the closing of any branch of an insured depository institution are imposed by section 228 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991. There is no reporting form associated with the reporting portion of this information collection; state member banks notify the Federal Reserve by letter prior to closing a branch. The Federal Reserve uses the information to fulfill its statutory obligation to supervise state member banks.

**5. Report title:** Reports Related to Securities of State Member Banks as Required by Regulation H

*Agency form number:* Reg H-1

*OMB Control number:* 7100-0091

*Frequency:* Quarterly and on occasion

*Reporters:* State member banks

*Annual reporting hours:* 1,390 hours

*Estimated average hours per response:* 5.11 hours

*Number of respondents:* 16

*General description of report:* This information collection is mandatory (15 U.S.C. 781(i)) and is not given confidential treatment.

*Abstract:* The Federal Reserve's Regulation H requires certain state member banks to submit information relating to their securities to the Federal Reserve on the same forms that bank holding companies and nonbank entities use to submit similar information to the Securities and Exchange Commission. The information is primarily used for public disclosure and is available to the public upon request.

**Final approval under OMB delegated authority of the extension for three years, with revision, of the following report:**

**1. Report title:** Consolidated Report of Condition and Income for Edge and Agreement Corporations

*Agency form number:* FR 2886b

*OMB control number:* 7100-0086

*Frequency:* Quarterly

*Reporters:* Edge and agreement corporations

*Annual reporting hours:* 3,173 hours

*Estimated average hours per response:* 14.7 banking corporations, 8.5 investment corporations

*Number of respondents:* 21 banking corporations, 57 investment corporations

*General description of report:* This information collection is mandatory (12 U.S.C. §§ 602 and 625). For Edge corporations engaged in banking, information collected on schedules E and L are held confidential pursuant to Section (b)(4) of the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(4)). For investment Edge corporations only information collected on Schedule E is given confidential treatment pursuant to Section (b)(4) of the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(4)).

*Abstract:* This report collects a balance sheet, income statement, and ten supporting schedules, and it parallels the commercial bank Reports of Condition and Income (Call Report) (FFIEC 031; OMB No. 7100-0036). The Federal Reserve uses the data collected on the FR 2886b to supervise Edge corporations, identify present and potential problems, and monitor and develop a better understanding of activities within the industry.

*Current action:* The Federal Reserve has approved the proposed changes to the FR 2886b. The proposed revisions included aligning FR 2886b schedule titles, identifiers, and ordering of line items with the Call Report, effective with the September 30, 2004 report date. In addition, the Federal Reserve proposed to modify the FR 2886b report consistent with any applicable revisions to the Call Report, ultimately adopted by the FFIEC for implementation in March 2005.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, June 21, 2004.

**Jennifer J. Johnson**

*Secretary of the Board.*

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## FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

### 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. The application also will 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 (12 U.S.C. 1843). Unless otherwise noted, nonbanking activities will be conducted throughout the United States. Additional information on all bank holding companies may be obtained from the National Information Center website at [www.ffiec.gov/nic/](http://www.ffiec.gov/nic/).

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 July 19, 2004.

**A. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta**  
(Sue Costello, Vice President) 1000 Peachtree Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30303:

1. *SunTrust Banks, Inc.*, Atlanta, Georgia; to merge with National Commerce Financial Corporation, Memphis, Tennessee, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of National Bank of Commerce, Memphis, Tennessee.

In connection with this application, Applicant also has applied to acquire NBC Bank, FSB, Memphis, Tennessee, and thereby engage in operating a savings association, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(4)(ii) of Regulation Y.

In connection with this application, Applicant also has applied to acquire First Market Bank, FSB, Memphis, Tennessee, and thereby engage in operating a savings association, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(4)(ii) of Regulation Y.

In connection with this application, Applicant also has applied to acquire First Mercantile Trust Company, Memphis, Tennessee, and thereby engage in operating nonbank depository institutions and to engage in financial and investment advisory activities, pursuant to sections 225.28(b)(4)(i) and 225.28(b)(6)(i) of Regulation Y.

In connection with this application, Applicant also has applied to acquire

TransPlatinum Service Corp., Nashville, Tennessee, and thereby engage in data processing activities, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(14)(i) of Regulation Y.

In connection with this application, Applicant also has applied to acquire Commerce Capital Management, Inc., Memphis, Tennessee, and thereby engage in financial and investment advisory activities, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(6)(i) of Regulation Y.

In connection with this application, Applicant also has applied to acquire USI Alliance Corp., Memphis, Tennessee, and thereby engage in leasing personal or real property activities, and community development activities, pursuant to sections 225.28(b)(3) and 225.28(b)(12)(i) of Regulation Y.

In connection with this application, Applicant also has applied to acquire Senior Housing Crime Prevention Foundation Investment Corporation, Memphis, Tennessee, and thereby engage in community development activities, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(12)(i) of Regulation Y.

In connection with this application, Applicant also has applied to acquire Brooks, Montague & Associates, Inc., Chattanooga, Tennessee, and thereby engage in financial and investment advisory activities, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(6)(i) of Regulation Y.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, June 21, 2004.

**Robert deV. Frierson,**

*Deputy Secretary of the Board.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Office of the Secretary

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### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, HHS.

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Secretary (OS), 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 burden.

#### #1 Type of Information Collection

*Request:* Existing collection in use without OMB Control Number;

*Title of Information Collection:*

Federal wide Assurance (FWA)

*Form/OMB No.:* OS-0990-;

*Use:* The FWA is designed to provide a simplified procedure for institutions engaged in HHS-conducted or supported research to satisfy the assurance requirements of Section 491(a) of the Public Health Service Act and of HHS regulations for the protection of human subjects at 45 CFR 46.103. The respondents are institutions engaged in human subjects research conducted or supported by HHS.

*Frequency:* On occasion, Reporting;

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households, business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions, Federal, State, local, or tribal governments;

*Annual Number of Respondents* 15,000;

*Total Annual Responses:* 30,000;

*Average Burden Per Response:* 2

hours;

*Total Annual Hours:* 22,500;

#### #2 Type of Information Collection

*Request:* Existing collection in use without an OMB control number;

*Title of Information Collection:*

Institutional Review Board/Independent

Ethics Committee Registration Form

*Form/OMB No.:* OS-0990-NEW;

*Use:* The Institutional Review Board (IRB)/Independent Ethics committee (IEC) Registration Forms designed to provide a simplified procedure for institutions engaged in HHS-conducted or supported research to satisfy the assurance requirements of Section 491(a) of the Public Health Service Act and of HHS regulations for the protection of human subjects at 45 CFR 46.103. The respondents are IRBs or IECs designed by an Institution under an assurance of compliance approved for federal wide use by the Office for Human Research Protections (OHRP), under HHS protection of human subjects regulations at 45 CFR 46.103(a), and that review human subjects research conducted or supported by HHS.

*Frequency:* On occasion, Reporting;

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households, business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions, Federal, State, local, or tribal governments;