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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-8761-3]

Farm, Ranch, and Rural Communities Committee

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, EPA gives notice of a meeting of the Farm, Ranch, and Rural Communities Committee (FRRCC). The purpose of the FRRCC is to provide advice to the Administrator of EPA on environmental issues and programs that impact, or are of concern to, farms, ranches, and rural communities. The FRRCC is a part of EPA's efforts to expand cooperative working relationships with the agriculture industry and others who are interested in agricultural issues and to achieve greater progress in environmental protection.

The purpose of the meeting is to further advance: (1) Discussion of the impacts of Agency agriculture-related programs, policies, and regulations regarding climate change and renewable energy; (2) identification and development of a comprehensive environmental strategy for livestock operations; and (3) development of a constructive approach or framework to address areas of common interest between sustainable agriculture and protection of the environment. A copy of the meeting agenda will be posted at <http://www.epa.gov/ocem/frcc>.

DATES: The Farm, Ranch, and Rural Communities Committee will hold an open meeting on Monday, February 23, 2009, from 8:30 a.m. (registration at 8 a.m.) until 5:45 p.m., and Tuesday, February 24, 2009, from 8:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Mandarin Oriental, Washington DC Hotel, 1330 Maryland Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20024, telephone: 202-554-8588. The meeting is open to the public, with limited seating on a first-come, first-served basis.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Alicia Kaiser, Designated Federal Officer, kaiser.alicia@epa.gov, 202-564-7273, U.S. EPA, Office of the Administrator (1101A), 1200

Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460, or Christopher Ashcraft, Junior Designated Federal Officer, ashcraft.christopher@epa.gov, 202-564-2432, U.S. EPA, Office of the Administrator (1601M), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Requests to make brief oral comments or provide written statements to the FRRCC should be sent to Alicia Kaiser, Designated Federal Officer, at the contact information above. All requests must be submitted no later than February 16, 2009.

Meeting Access: For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact Alicia Kaiser at 202-564-7273 or kaiser.alicia@epa.gov. To request accommodation of a disability, please contact Alicia Kaiser, preferably at least 10 days prior to the meeting, to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

Dated: January 6, 2009.

Alicia Kaiser,

Designated Federal Officer.

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FARM CREDIT SYSTEM INSURANCE CORPORATION

Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation Board; Regular Meeting

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the regular meeting of the Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation Board (Board).

Date and Time: The meeting of the Board will be held at the offices of the Farm Credit Administration in McLean, Virginia, on January 15, 2009, from 9 a.m. until such time as the Board concludes its business.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Roland E. Smith, Secretary to the Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation Board, (703) 883-4009, TTY (703) 883-4056.

ADDRESSES: Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation, 1501 Farm Credit Drive, McLean, Virginia 22102.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting of the Board will be open to the public (limited space available). In order to increase the accessibility to Board meetings, persons requiring assistance should make arrangements in advance. The matters to be considered at the meeting are:

Open Session

A. Approval of Minutes

• December 11, 2008 (Open and Closed).

B. New Business

• Review of Insurance Premium Rates.

• Premium Regulation.

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Roland E. Smith,

Secretary, Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation 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. Additional information on all bank holding companies may be obtained from the National Information Center website at www.ffiec.gov/nic/.

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 February 5, 2009.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond (A. Linwood Gill, III, Vice President) 701 East Byrd Street, Richmond, Virginia 23261-4528:

1. *FA Capital, LLC and Community Bank Investors of America, L.P.*, both of Richmond, Virginia, to retain 8.64 percent, and to acquire up to 18 percent, of the voting shares of Gateway Bank, FSB, San Leandro, California, and thereby engage in operating a savings association, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(4)(ii) of Regulation Y.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, January 6, 2009.

Robert deV. Frierson,
Deputy Secretary of the Board.
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FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

Granting of Request for Early Termination of the Waiting Period Under the Premerger Notification Rules

Section 7A of the Clayton Act, 15 U.S.C. 18a, as added by Title II of the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, requires persons contemplating certain mergers or acquisitions to give the Federal Trade Commission and the Assistant Attorney General advance notice and to wait designated periods before consummation of such plans. Section

7A(b)(2) of the Act permits the agencies, in individual cases, to terminate this waiting period prior to its expiration and requires that notice of this action be published in the **Federal Register**.

The following transactions were granted early termination of the waiting period provided by law and the premerger notification rules. The grants were made by the Federal Trade Commission and the Assistant Attorney General for the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice. Neither agency intends to take any action with respect to these proposed acquisitions during the applicable waiting period.

Trans No.	Acquiring	Acquired	Entities
TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—12/15/2008			
20090154	Eli Lilly and Company	United Therapeutics Corporation	United Therapeutics Corporation.
TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—12/16/2008			
20090194	BB&T Corporation	Mr. Tapley O. Johnson, III	Charleston Premium Finance Company. Charleston Premium Finance Company of California, Inc. TAPCO Underwriters, Inc.
20090195	Mr. Tapley O. Johnson, III	BB&T Corporation	BB&T Corporation.
TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—12/17/2008			
20090181	Lifespan Corporation	Care New England Health System ...	Care New England Health System.
20090204	State Automobile Mutual Insurance Company.	HBK Offshore Fund Ltd.	Rockhill Holding Company.
TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—12/18/2008			
20090171	Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe X, L.P.	Bruce E. Toll and Robbi S. Toll	National Renal Alliance, LLC.
TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—12/19/2008			
20081575	Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Limited.	Barr Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	Barr Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
20090203	Nelson Peltz	Wendy's/Arby's Group, Inc.	Wendy's/Arby's Group, Inc.
20090205	United Farmers of Alberta Co-operative Limited.	Stuart Utgaard	Sportsman's Warehouse Holdings, Inc.
TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—12/24/2008			
20081692	King Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	Alpharma, Inc.	Alpharma, Inc.
20090185	Wells Fargo & Company	New Omaha Holdings L.P.	Wells Fargo Merchant Services, LLC.
TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—12/30/2008			
20090206	Wilton Re Holdings Limited	MetLife, Inc	Cova Corporation.
20090218	Bank of America Corporation	Yum! Brands, Inc	Pizza Hut, Inc.
20090222	NuVision Federal Credit Union	El Financial Credit Union	El Financial Credit Union.
TRANSACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION—12/31/2008			
20090221	MiTAC Inter-national Corporation	Magellan Investors LLC.	Magellan Navigation, Inc.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
 Sandra M. Peay, Contact Representative
 or Renee Hallman, Contact
 Representative. Federal Trade
 Commission, Premerger Notification

Office, Bureau of Competition, Room H-303, Washington, DC 20580, (202) 326-3100.

By Direction of the Commission.
Donald S. Clark,
Secretary.
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