

**B. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City** (Donna J. Ward, Assistant Vice President) 925 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri 64198-0001:

1. *Byron Dirk Bagenstos, individually and as Trustee of the Byron Dirk Bagenstos 2002 Trust*; to acquire voting shares of Alfalfa County Bancshares, Inc., and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of ACB Bank, all of Cherokee, Oklahoma.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, November 13, 2006.

**Robert deV. Frierson,**

*Deputy 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 December 11, 2006.

**A. Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland** (Douglas A. Banks, Vice President) 1455

East Sixth Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44101-2566:

1. *Sir Barton Bancorp, Inc.*, Lexington, Kentucky (formerly known as First Corbin Bancorp, Corbin, Kentucky); to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Boone National Bank, Burlington, Kansas, and the following bank holding companies and their subsidiary banks; Tri-County Bancorp, Inc., Corbin, KY (Tri-County National Bank, Corbin, KY); Laurel Bancorp, Inc., Corbin, KY (Laurel National Bank, London, KY); Williamsburg Bancorp, Inc., Corbin, KY (Williamsburg National Bank, Williamsburg, KY); Campbellsville Bancorp, Inc., Corbin, KY (Campbellsville National Bank, Campbellsville, KY); PRP Bancorp, Inc., Corbin, KY (PRP National Bank, Pleasure Ridge Park, KY); Somerset Bancorp, Inc., Corbin, KY (Somerset National Bank, Somerset, KY); and Green County Bancshares, Inc., Corbin, KY, (Deposit Bank & Trust, Greensburg, KY).

**B. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta** (Andre Anderson, Vice President) 1000 Peachtree Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30309:

1. *ATB Holdings, LLC*, Birmingham, Alabama; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 25 percent of the voting shares of Guardian Bancshares, Inc., and its subsidiary, Alabama Trust Bank, N.A., both of Sylacauga, Alabama.

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**Robert deV. Frierson,**

*Deputy Secretary of the Board.*

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## GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

[OCAO-2006-N01; Docket GSA 2006-0013; Sequence 1]

### Proposed Best Practices Guide for Contractor Performance Data Collection and Use

**AGENCY:** Office of the Chief Acquisition Officer, GSA.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Director, Integrated Acquisition Environment Division, General Services Administration invites comments on the proposed best practices guide, Contractor Performance in the Acquisition Process, for the collection and usage of contractor performance data.

**DATES:** Interested parties should submit written comments to the Integrated

Acquisition Environment Division, GSA on or before January 16, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments identified by OCAO-2006-N01 by any of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Search for any document by first selecting the proper document types and selecting "General Services Administration" as the agency of choice. At the "Keyword" prompt, type in the notice number OCAO-2006-N01 and click on the "Submit" button. You may also search for any document by clicking on the "Advanced search/document search" tab at the top of the screen, selecting from the agency field "General Services Administration", and typing the notice number in the keyword field. Select the "Submit" button.

- Fax: 703-872-8598.

- Mail: GSA—Integrated Acquisition Environment Division, 2011 Crystal Drive, Suite 911, ATTN: OCAO-2006-N01, Arlington VA 22202.

*Instructions:* Please submit comments only and cite OCAO-2006-N01 in all correspondence related to this case. All comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal and/or business confidential information provided.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** For clarification of content, contact Ms. Teresa Sorrenti at 703-872-8610. For information pertaining to status or publication schedules, contact the Regulatory Secretariat at (202) 501-4755. Please cite OCAO-2006-N01.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### A. Background

The enactment of the Federal Acquisition Streamlining Act (FASA) of 1994, made contractor performance information a mandatory evaluation factor for all procurements. This is an important factor in making best value decisions in the acquisition of goods and services. In order to do this, agencies moved out in different directions to share the performance data they collected individually. There was no concerted effort to share data Governmentwide. It has long been a vulnerability that Government agencies would award to a vendor who owes another part of the Government money or services, or is in the process of being debarred. This was due to the fact that information about performance was maintained at the local contracting office level.

Evaluating contractor performance is also useful as a tool to encourage outstanding performance throughout the

life of a contract. Contractor performance information can leverage the use of common contracting events such as option extensions, earned value management discussions, and award fee discussions to populate a Governmentwide database and reduce the reliance on external steps and non-value added processes. As additional value, Government agencies could be encouraged to monitor performance and provide evaluations of other Government agencies performing on Memorandum of Understanding agreements and other interagency agreements. The benefit of this effort will result in a unified method of vendor evaluations.

An Office of Management and Budget (OMB) memorandum dated July 3, 2002 announced that all Federal contractor past performance information currently captured through existing tools would be centrally available on-line for use by all Federal agency contracting officials effective July 1, 2002. A Governmentwide past performance retrieval database supports the Administration's E-Government initiatives to "unify & simplify" and reduce burden by eliminating collection redundancies. Performance data is currently collected in the Past Performance Information Retrieval System (PPIRS), which is a web-enabled, Governmentwide application. Two of the collection tools have been eliminated: Past Performance Information Management System (PPIS) and Architect-Engineer Contract Administration Support System (ACAAS). Other collection systems are positioned to be turned off in the next year. However, it was determined by senior procurement executives that a lack of widespread use resulted in insufficient information in the Governmentwide shared database. A review of how to streamline the collection of data, simplify the evaluations of vendors, and improve the value of the data in the Governmentwide database was requested.

In a memorandum, OMB's Office of Federal Procurement Policy (OFPP) established a working group to re-visit the regulations, policies, and business considerations associated with contractor performance information.

During this tasking, the working group reviewed some of the thresholds and made the following recommendations:

- The contractor performance information be removed from the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), Part 36 and moved to FAR Subpart 42.15 so that all of the contractor

performance information is in one location in the FAR.

- Removed the reference "past" from contractor performance information. Evaluating contractor performance is encouraged throughout the life of the contract, not just a completed contract. As such, it is useful both as an evaluation factor in awards and as a tool to encourage continuous outstanding performance.

- Removed duplications in the FAR guidance.

- Clarified the guidance relating to contractor performance information.

- Revisited and discussed the different feeder and retrieval systems.

The working group has prepared proposed language for the FAR and has updated OFPP's guide "Best Practices for Collecting and Using Current and Past Performance Information" (June 2002) incorporating the Department of Defense's (DOD), Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology & Logistics (Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy) guide, "A Guide to Collection and Use of Past Performance Information" (Version 3 May 2003).

OFPP's current guide was a joint effort of agency procurement and program officials and representatives from the private sector. The techniques and practices used to implement the current and past performance initiatives that are discussed in the OFPP best practices guide are not mandatory regulatory guidance. They are useful examples of techniques for recording and using contractor performance to better assess contracts and to enhance the source selection process.

DOD's guide was a joint effort by members from the DOD Past Performance Integrated Product Team. The Team's purpose was to serve as a practical reference tool regarding the DOD past performance policy. It was designed to articulate the key techniques and practices for the use and collection of past performance information for use by the entire acquisition workforce in both Government and industry. It explains best practices for the use of past performance information during the periods of source selection, ongoing performance, and collection of information.

The new guide is entitled "Contractor Performance in the Acquisition Process" and can be accessed at <http://www.acquisition.gov>. It also is a joint effort of Federal agency and DOD procurement and program officials. In an effort to continue to solicit private sector input, it is distributed for public comment. This guide is designed to help

agencies know their role in addressing and using contractor performance information. It addresses the types of performance information that exist, resources for finding the data, and standards to employ. It discusses best use of performance data throughout the acquisition process, from the pre-award and planning phase, through source selection, and into contract evaluation.

The proposed FAR rule reflecting the findings of this tasking is currently being processed by the FAR team and will be issued for comment at a later date.

Dated: November 7, 2006.

**Teresa Sorrenti,**

*Director, Office of Acquisition Systems.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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#### 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) 639-5960 or send an e-mail to [omb@cdc.gov](mailto:omb@cdc.gov). Send written comments to CDC Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC or by fax to (202) 395-6974. Written comments should be received within 30 days of this notice.

#### Proposed Project

Performance Evaluation Program for Rapid HIV Testing—Revision—National Center for Health Marketing (NCHM), Coordinating Center for Health Information and Service (CoCHIS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

#### Background and Brief Description

To support our mission of improving public health and preventing disease through continuously improving laboratory practices, the Model Performance Evaluation Program (MPEP), Division of Laboratory Systems, Coordinating Center for Health Information and Service, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention intends to continue the currently ongoing HIV