mechanism for a type of comment or information, EPA requests that such comment or information be submitted using a similar format; this will increase the likelihood of the relevant information being considered.

- 2. Although POPRC has developed provisional arrangements for the treatment of confidential information, as mentioned in Unit I.B.3. no CBI will be forwarded to the POPs Convention Secretariat. EPA will, however, consider such information in development of the U.S. response to the POPs Convention Secretariat. Instructions on where and how to submit comments and confidential information can be found in Unit I.B.2. and ADDRESSES.
- 3. Anyone wishing to have an opportunity to communicate with EPA orally on this issue should consult the technical person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

D. What is the Agency's Authority for Taking this Action?

EPA is requesting comment and information under the authority of section 102(2)(F) of the National Environmental Policy Act, 42 U.S.C. section 4321 et seq., which directs all agencies of the Federal Government to "[rlecognize the worldwide and longrange character of environmental problems and, where consistent with the foreign policy of the United States, lend appropriate support to initiatives, resolutions and programs designed to maximize cooperation in anticipating and preventing a decline in the quality of mankind's world environment." Section 17(d) of Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) also provides additional support in that it directs the Administrator of EPA "in cooperation with the Department of State and any other appropriate Federal agency, [to] participate and cooperate in any international efforts to develop improved pesticide research and regulations."

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Chemicals, Hazardous substances.

Dated: January 23, 2006.

Charles M. Auer,

Director, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Proposed Settlement Under Section 122(h) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act Regarding the CPS/Madison Superfund Site, Middlesex County, NJ

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of proposed administrative settlement and opportunity for public comment.

SUMMARY: The United States Environmental Protection ("EPA") is proposing to enter into an administrative settlement to resolve claims under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as amended ("CERCLA"). In accordance with section 122(h)(i)(1) of CERCLA, notice is hereby given of a proposed administrative settlement concerning the CPS/Madison Site ("the Site"). Section 122(h) of CERCLA provides EPA with the authority to consider, compromise and settle certain claims for costs incurred by the United States. Notice is being published to inform the public of the proposed settlement and of the opportunity to comment. The administrative settlement is contained in the Administrative Order on Consent for Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study ("RI/FS"), U.S. EPA Index No. CERCLA-02-2004-2027 (the "Order"). The administrative settlement compromises \$28,357.04 of EPA's past response costs incurred at the Site and provides that after Ciba Specialty Chemicals Corp. ("Ciba") performs the RI/FS for the Site pursuant to the Order, it may apply for a credit, up to a maximum amount of \$250,000.00, for the incremental cost of analyzing groundwater samples for metals in addition to other contaminants. The credit can be applied toward EPA's unreimbused response costs at the Site, should EPA attempt to recover those costs from Ciba in the future. The credit applies only to any future claim made by EPA for unreimbursed costs incurred or to be incurred by EPA concerning the

EPA will consider any comments received during the comment period and may withdraw or withhold consent to the proposed settlement if comments disclose facts or considerations that indicate the proposed settlement is inappropriate, improper, or inadequate. EPA's response to any comments received will be available for public

inspection at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Regional Counsel, 290 Broadway—17th floor, New York, New York 10007–1866. Telephone: (212) 637–3111.

DATES: Comments must be provided by March 1, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Regional Counsel, 290 Broadway—17th Floor, New York, NY 10007 and should refer to: In the Matter of the CPS/Madison Superfund Site, U.S. EPA Index No. CERCLA-02-2004-2027.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Regional Counsel, 290 Broadway—17th Floor, New York, NY 10007, (212) 637–3142.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A copy of the proposed administrative settlement, as well as background information relating to the settlement, may be obtained in person or by mail from Clay Monroe, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Regional Counsel, 290 Broadway—17th Floor, New York, NY 10007. Telephone: (212) 637–3142.

Dated: December 9, 2005.

Raymond Basso,

Acting Director, Emergency and Remedial Response Division, Region 2.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Change in Bank Control Notices; Acquisition of Shares of Bank or Bank Holding Companies

The notificants listed below have applied under the Change in Bank Control Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)) and § 225.41 of the Board's Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.41) to acquire a bank or bank holding company. The factors that are considered in acting on the notices are set forth in paragraph 7 of the Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)(7)).

The notices are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notices also will be available for inspection at the office of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing to the Reserve Bank indicated for that notice or to the offices of the Board of Governors. Comments must be received not later than February 15, 2006.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City (Donna J. Ward, Assistant Vice President) 925 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri 64198-0001: 1. Richard A. Jensen, WaKeeney, Kansas, as trustee of the Jonathan D. Berkley GST Trust, the Brian J. Berkley GST Trust, and the Renee A. Berkley GST Trust, all in Stockton, Kansas; to acquire voting shares of Stockton Bancshares, Inc., Stockton, Kansas, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of Farmers and Merchants Bank of Hill City, Hill City, Kansas, The Stockton National Bank, Stockton, Kansas, and Trego-WaKeeney State Bank, WaKeeney, Kansas.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, January 25, 2006.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board. [FR Doc. E6-1122 Filed 1-27-06; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6210-01-8

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 Web site at 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 February 24, 2006.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland (Cindy West, Manager) 1455 East Sixth Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44101-2566:

1. John R. Turner Holding Company, Jackson, Kentucky; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Middleburg Bancorp, Inc., Middleburg, Kentucky, and thereby indirectly acquire Farmers Deposit Bank, Middleburg, Kentucky.

- **B. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta** (Andre Anderson, Vice President) 1000 Peachtree Street, NE., Atlanta, Georgia 30303:
- 1. Upper Cumberland Bancshares, Inc., Byrdstown, Tennessee, and Employee Stock Ownership Trust of People's Bank and Trust Company of Pickett County, Byrdstown, Tennessee; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of People's Bank and Trust Company of Clinton County, Albany, Kentucky (in organization).

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, January 25, 2006.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

American Health Information Community Chronic Care Workgroup Meeting

ACTION: Announcement of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the first meeting of the American Health Information Community Chronic Care Workgroup in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 5 U.S.C., App.).

DATES: February 1, 2006 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Hubert H. Humphrey Building (200 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20201), conference room 705A.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: http://www.hhs.gov/healthit.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For information on how to access this workgroup meeting via the Web, including ensuring your PC's compatibility, go to: http://www.hsrnet.net/onc/workgroups/.

This notice is published less than 15 days in advance of the meeting due to logistical difficulties.

Dated: January 23, 2006.

Dana Haza,

Office of Programs and Coordination, Office of the National Coordinator.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

American Health Information Community Biosurveillance Workgroup Meeting

ACTION: Announcement of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the first meeting of the American Health Information Community Biosurveillance Workgroup in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 5 U.S.C., App.)

DATES: February 2, 2006 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Hubert H. Humphrey Building (200 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20201), conference room 705A.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: http://www.hhs.gov/healthit.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For information on how to access this workgroup meeting via the Web, including ensuring your PC's compatibility, go to http://www.hsrnet.net/onc/workgroups.

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Dated: January 23, 2006.

Dana Haza,

Office of Programs and Coordination, Office of the National Coordinator.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

American Health Information Community Meeting

ACTION: Announcement of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the fourth meeting of the American Health Information Community in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 5 U.S.C., App.) The American Health Information Community will advise the Secretary and recommend specific actions to achieve a common interoperability framework for health information technology (IT).

DATES: March 7, 2006 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.