

practice of the Committee, the public notice, public comment, and delayed effective date provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act do not apply.<sup>3</sup>

For the reasons discussed above, the Committee has amended its Rules of Organization as follows:

1. Section 2(b) of the Rules of Organization is revised to read as follows:

#### Section 2—Composition of Committee

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(b) *Reserve Bank representatives.* The representatives of the Federal Reserve Banks, and an alternate for each representative, are elected by the boards of directors of the Reserve Banks in accordance with section 12A of the Federal Reserve Act (12 U.S.C. 263) for annual terms commencing on the date of the first regularly scheduled meeting of the Committee occurring on or after January 1 of each year. Prior to the first regularly scheduled meeting of the Committee on or after January 1 of each year, each member of the Committee representing the Federal Reserve Banks shall cause a record of the member's election and of the election of the member's alternate to be forwarded to the secretary of the Committee. If any question is raised as to the election or eligibility of a member or alternate, the Committee determines such question before such member or alternate participates in a meeting of the Committee. In the event a member is absent from a meeting of the Committee, the member's alternate, in attending the meeting, shall have the same status as the member for whom the alternate is serving. If a member or alternate ceases to be a president or first vice president of a Reserve Bank, a successor may be chosen in a special election by the boards of directors of the appropriate Reserve Bank or Banks and such successor serves until the next annual election.

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2. The first sentence of § 3 of the Rules of Organization is revised to read as follows:

#### Section 3—Chairman and Vice Chairman

At its first regularly scheduled meeting on or after January 1 of each year, the Committee elects a chairman and a vice chairman from among its membership.\* \* \*

3. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of § 4 of the Rules of Organization are revised to read as follows:

#### Section 4—Staff

(a) *Selection of staff officers.* At its first regularly scheduled meeting on or after January 1 of each year, the Committee selects, from among the officers and employees of the Board and the Federal Reserve Banks, the following staff officers to serve until the first regularly scheduled meeting on or after January 1 of the next following year: secretary, deputy secretary, and one or more assistant secretaries; general counsel, deputy general counsel, and one or more assistant general counsels; economists, one or more of whom may be designated as senior or associate economists or given titles reflecting their areas of particular specialization; and such other officers as the Committee might wish from time to time.

(b) *Secretary and deputy and assistant secretaries.* The secretary keeps minutes of actions and records of discussions at all meetings of the Committee; maintains a complete record of the actions taken by the Committee upon all questions of policy relating to open market operations; and records the votes taken in connection with the determination of open market policies and the reasons underlying each such action. The secretary has custody of such minutes and records, and performs such other duties as the Committee may require. In the absence of the secretary of the Committee, the deputy secretary or an assistant secretary acts as secretary pro tem.

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4. Section 5 of the Rules of Organization and its heading are revised to read as follows:

#### Section 5—Manager

The Committee selects a Manager of the System Open Market Account. The foregoing shall be satisfactory to the Federal Reserve Bank selected by the Committee to execute open market transactions for such Account and shall serve at the pleasure of the Committee. The Manager keeps the Committee informed on market conditions and on transactions made for such Account and renders such reports as the Committee may specify.

By order of the Federal Open Market Committee, February 8, 2005.

**Vincent R. Reinhart,**

*Secretary, Federal Open Market Committee.*  
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#### FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT BOARD

##### Sunshine Act Meeting

**TIME AND DATE:** 9 a.m. (e.s.t.) February 22, 2005.

**PLACE:** 4th Floor Conference Room, 1250 H Street, NW., Washington, DC.

**STATUS:** Parts will be open to the public and parts closed to the public.

##### MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

##### Parts Open to the Public

1. Approval of the minutes of the January 19, 2005, Board member meeting.

2. Thrift Savings Plan activity report by the Executive Director.

##### Parts Closed to the Public

3. Procurement.

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Dated: February 14, 2005.

**Elizabeth S. Woodruff,**

*Secretary to the Board, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

##### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

##### Advisory Committee to the Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the following Advisory Committee meeting.

*Name:* Advisory Committee to the Director, CDC.

*Time and Date:* 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m., March 3, 2005.

*Place:* Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Century Center Facility, 1825 Century Boulevard, NE., Atlanta, Georgia 30345, Rooms 1A and 1B.

*Status:* Open to the public, limited only by the space available. The meeting room accommodates approximately 65 people.

*Purpose:* The committee will provide advice to the CDC Director on strategic and other broad issues facing CDC.

*Matters to be Discussed:* Agenda items will include discussion of the CDC Futures Initiative and updates on CDC priorities with discussions of program

<sup>3</sup> See 5 U.S.C. 553(b) and (d).