this information collection. The comment period for this notice expired on December 13, 2010. The Federal Reserve did not receive any comments.

2. *Report title:* Statement of Purpose for an Extension of Credit by a Creditor.

Agency form number: FR T–4.

OMB control number: 7100–0019.

Frequency: On occasion.

Reporters: Brokers and dealers.

Estimated annual reporting hours: 459 hours.

Estimated average hours per response: 10 minutes.

Number of respondents: 135.

General description of report: This information collection is mandatory and authorized by section 7 of the '34 Act (15 U.S.C. 78g). In addition, the FR T–4 is required by Section 220.6 of Regulation T (12 CFR 220.6). The FR T–4 data are not submitted to the Federal Reserve System and, as such, no issue of confidentiality arises.

Abstract: The Securities Exchange Act of 1934 authorizes the Federal Reserve to regulate securities credit extended by brokers and dealers, banks, and other lenders. The FR T–4 is a purpose statement for brokers and dealers. The purpose statement is a recordkeeping requirement for brokers and dealers to document the purpose of their loans secured by margin stock. Margin stock is defined as (1) stocks that are registered on a national securities exchange or any over-the-counter security designated for trading in the National Market System, (2) debt securities (bonds) that are convertible into margin stock, and (3) shares of most mutual funds.

Current Actions: On October 14, 2010, the Federal Reserve published a notice in the **Federal Register** (75 FR 63181) requesting public comment for 60 days on the extension, without revision, of three reports that collect information on certain extensions of credit secured by margin stock. The comment period for this notice expired on December 13, 2010. The Federal Reserve did not receive any comments.

Final approval under OMB delegated authority of the extension for three years, with clarification, of the following reports:

Report titles: Registration Statement for Persons Who Extend Credit Secured by Margin Stock (Other Than Banks, Brokers, or Dealers), Deregistration Statement for Persons Registered Pursuant to Regulation U, Statement of Purpose for an Extension of Credit Secured by Margin Stock by a Person Subject to Registration Under Regulation U; Annual Report, and Statement of Purpose for an Extension of Credit Secured by Margin Stock.

Agency form numbers: FR G–1, FR G–2, FR G–3, FR G–4, and FR U–1.

OMB control numbers: 7100–0011: FR G–1, FR G–2, and FR G–4; 7100–0018: FR G–3; and 7100–0115: FR U–1.

Frequency: On occasion and annual.

Reporters: Individuals and business.

Annual reporting hours: 1,207 reporting hours; 1,604 recordkeeping hours.

Estimated average hours per response: FR G–1, 2.5 hours; FR G–2, 15 minutes; FR G–3, 10 minutes; FR G–4, 2.0 hours; and FR U–1, 10 minutes.

Number of respondents: FR G–1, 25; FR G–2, 40; FR G–3, 284; FR G–4, 567; and FR U–1, 50.

General description of report: These mandatory information collections are authorized by section 7 of the '34 Act (15 U.S.C. 78g). In addition, the FR U–1 is required by Sections 221.3(c)(1)(i) and (2)(i) of Regulation U (12 CFR 221.3(c)(1)(i) and (2)(i)), and the FR G–1, G–2, G–3, and G–4 are required by Sections 221.3(b)(1), (2), and (3), and (c)(1)(ii) and (2)(ii) of Regulation U (12 CFR 221.3(b)(1), (2), and (3), and (c)(1)(ii) and (2)(ii)).

The information collected in the FR G–1 and the FR G–4 is given confidential treatment under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552 (b)(4) and (6)). Confidentiality determinations would have to be made on a case by case basis. The FR G–2 does not collect confidential information. The FR U–1 and FR G–3 data are not submitted to the Federal Reserve System and, as such, no issue of confidentiality arises.

Abstract: The Securities Exchange Act of 1934 authorizes the Federal Reserve to regulate securities credit extended by brokers and dealers, banks, and other lenders. The purpose statements, FR U–1 and FR G–3, are recordkeeping requirements for brokers and dealers, banks, and other lenders, respectively, to document the purpose of their loans secured by margin stock. Margin stock is defined as (1) stocks that are registered on a national securities exchange or any over-the-counter security designated for trading in the National Market System, (2) debt securities (bonds) that are convertible into margin stock, and (3) shares of most mutual funds. Lenders other than brokers and dealers and banks must register and deregister with the Federal Reserve using the FR G–1 and FR G–2, respectively, and they must file the FR G–4 annual report while registered. The Federal Reserve uses the data to identify lenders subject to Regulation U, to verify their compliance with the regulation, and to monitor margin credit.

Current Actions: On October 14, 2010, the Federal Reserve published a notice in the **Federal Register** (75 FR 63181) requesting public comment for 60 days on the extension, with clarification, of three of the six mandatory reports that collect information on certain extensions of credit secured by margin stock. The comment period for this notice expired on December 13, 2010. The Federal Reserve did not receive any comments. The clarifications will be implemented as proposed.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, December 22, 2010.

Jennifer J. Johnson,

Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

AGENCY: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

SUMMARY:

Background

On June 15, 1984, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) delegated to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Board) its approval authority under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA), as per 5 CFR 1320.16, to approve of and assign OMB control numbers to collection of information requests and requirements conducted or sponsored by the Board under conditions set forth in 5 CFR part 1320 Appendix A.1. Board-approved collections of information are incorporated into the official OMB inventory of currently approved collections of information. Copies of the Paperwork Reduction Act Submission, supporting statements and approved collection of information instruments are placed into OMB's public docket files. The Federal Reserve may not conduct or sponsor, and the respondent is not required to respond to, an information collection that has been extended, revised, or implemented on or after October 1, 1995, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Request for Comment on Information Collection Proposals

The following information collections, which are being handled under this delegated authority, have received initial Board approval and are hereby published for comment. At the end of the comment period, the proposed information collections, along

with an analysis of comments and recommendations received, will be submitted to the Board for final approval under OMB delegated authority. Comments are invited on the following:

a. Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the Federal Reserve's functions; including whether the information has practical utility;

b. The accuracy of the Federal Reserve's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

c. Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

d. Ways to minimize the burden of information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before February 28, 2011.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by FR 1379; FR 2225; FR 3054; FR Y–3, FR Y–3N, FR Y–4; FR Y–3F; FR K–1; or FR K–2 by any of the following methods:

- *Agency Web Site: http://www.federalreserve.gov*. Follow the instructions for submitting comments at *http://www.federalreserve.gov/generalinfo/foia/ProposedRegs.cfm*.
- *Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov*. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *E-mail: regs.comments@federalreserve.gov*. Include docket number in the subject line of the message.
- *FAX:* 202/452–3819 or 202/452–3102.
- *Mail:* Jennifer J. Johnson, Secretary, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, 20th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20551.

All public comments are available from the Board's Web site at *http://www.federalreserve.gov/generalinfo/foia/ProposedRegs.cfm* as submitted, unless modified for technical reasons. Accordingly, your comments will not be edited to remove any identifying or contact information. Public comments may also be viewed electronically or in paper form in Room MP–500 of the Board's Martin Building (20th and C Streets, NW.) between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. on weekdays.

Additionally, commenters should send a copy of their comments to the OMB Desk Officer by mail to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, U.S. Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503 or by fax to 202–395–6974.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: A copy of the PRA OMB submission, including the proposed reporting form and instructions, supporting statement, and other documentation will be placed into OMB's public docket files, once approved. These documents will also be made available on the Federal Reserve Board's public Web site at: *http://www.federalreserve.gov/boarddocs/reportforms/review.cfm* or may be requested from the agency clearance officer, whose name appears below.

Cynthia Ayouch, Acting Federal Reserve Board Clearance Officer (202–452–3829), Division of Research and Statistics, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington, DC 20551. Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) users may contact (202–263–4869), Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington, DC 20551.

Proposal To Approve Under OMB Delegated Authority, the Implementation of the Following Report:

Report title: Payment Systems Surveys: Ad Hoc Payments Systems Survey, Currency Quality Sampling Survey, Currency Quality Survey, and Currency Functionality Survey.

Agency form number: FR 3054a, FR 3054b, FR 3054c, and FR 3054d.

OMB control number: 7100— to be assigned.

Frequency: Annual, semi-annual, and on occasion.

Reporters: Financial and nonfinancial businesses (banknote equipment manufacturers, or global wholesale bank note dealers).

Estimated annual reporting hours: FR 3054a: 15,000 hours; FR 3054b: 90 hours;

FR 3054c: 1,500 hours; and FR 3054d: 960 hours.

Estimated average hours per response: FR 3054a: 15 hours; FR 3054b: 0.5 hours;

FR 3054c: 30 hours; and FR 3054d: 48 hours.

Number of respondents: FR 3054a: 100; FR 3054b: 180; FR 3054c; 25; and FR 3054d: 20.

General description of report: These information collections are authorized pursuant to Section 11(d) of the Federal Reserve Act (12 U.S.C. 248(d)) and are voluntary. The ability of the Federal Reserve to maintain the confidentiality of information provided by respondents to the Payment Systems surveys would be determined on a case-by-case basis depending on the type of information provided for a particular survey. Depending upon the survey questions, confidential treatment could be warranted under section (b)(4) of the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4)).

Abstract: The FR 3054a would be an event-driven survey used to obtain information specifically tailored to the Federal Reserve's operational and fiscal agency responsibilities. The FR 3054a could be conducted independently by the Federal Reserve, jointly with another government agency, or a Federal Reserve Bank. The FR 3054b would be an annual survey to assess the quality of currency in circulation and would be conducted jointly with the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco's Cash Product Office (CPO), the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond's Currency Technology Office (CTO), and each Federal Reserve Bank's cash department. The FR 3054c would be a semi-annual survey to determine depository institutions' and Banknote Equipment Manufacturers' (BEMs) opinions of currency quality and would be conducted jointly with the CPO and CTO. The FR 3054d would be an annual survey to assess the functionality of Federal Reserve notes in banknote handling equipment. The FR 3054d data collected from BEMs would be used as input for future designs of Federal Reserve notes. The FR 3054d would be conducted jointly with the U.S. Treasury's Bureau of Engraving and Printing and the CTO. The FR 3054a, FR 3054b, FR 3054c, and FR 3054d would be sent to financial and nonfinancial businesses.

The Federal Reserve would use the data collected from these surveys to determine: (1) Demand for currency and coin, (2) market preferences regarding currency quality, (3) quality of currency in circulation, (4) features used by bank note authentication equipment to denominate and authenticate bank notes, and (5) whether changes to Federal Reserve Bank sorting algorithms are necessary to ensure that currency in circulation remains fit for commerce.

Proposal to approve under OMB delegated authority the extension for three years, with revision, the following reports:

1. *Report title:* Consumer Satisfaction Questionnaire, Federal Reserve Consumer Help—Consumer Survey, and Consumer Online Complaint Form.

Agency form number: FR 1379a, FR 1379b, and FR 1379c.

OMB control number: 7100–0135.

Frequency: Event generated.

Reporters: Consumers.

Estimated annual reporting hours: FR 1379a: 116 hours; FR 1379b: 167 hours; FR 1379c: 1,351 hours.

Estimated average hours per response: FR 1379a: 5 minutes; FR 1379b: 5 minutes; FR 1379c: 10 minutes.

Number of respondents: FR 1379a: 1,391; FR 1379b: 2,001; FR 1379c: 8,107.

General description of report: This information collection is voluntary and is authorized by law pursuant the Federal Trade Commission Improvement Act (15 U.S.C. 57(a)(f)). The FR 1379a is not considered confidential. The FR 1379b collects the respondent's name and the respondent may provide other personal information and information regarding his or her complaint in response to question five. The FR 1379c collects the respondent's third-party representative if the respondent has such a representative. Thus, some of the information collected on the FR 1379b and c is considered confidential under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4), (b)(6), (b)(7)).

Abstract: The FR 1379a questionnaire is sent to consumers who have filed complaints with the Federal Reserve against State member banks. The information is used to assess their satisfaction with the Federal Reserve's handling and written response to their complaint at the conclusion of an investigation. The FR 1379b questionnaire is sent as needed to consumers who contact the Federal Reserve Consumer Help (FRCH) to file a complaint or inquiry. The information is used to determine whether consumers are satisfied with the way the FRCH handled their complaint. Consumers use the FR 1379c to electronically submit a complaint against a financial institution to the FRCH.

Current Actions: The Federal Reserve proposes to revise the FR 1379c online complaint form by (1) expanding the contact section for complaints submitted on behalf of a consumer by a third-party representative, (2) adding a field to provide the financial institution's routing number, and (3) deleting the question on how the consumer learned about the FRCH. The Federal Reserve proposes to extend the FR 1379a and FR 1379b without revision.

2. *Report title:* Application for Prior Approval to Become a Bank Holding Company or for a Bank Holding Company to Acquire an Additional Bank or Bank Holding Company, Notification for Prior Approval to Become a Bank Holding Company or for a Bank Holding Company to Acquire an Additional Bank or Bank Holding Company; and Notification for Prior Approval to Engage Directly or Indirectly in Certain Nonbanking Activities.

Agency form number: FR Y–3, FR Y–3N, and FR Y–4.

OMB control number: 7100–0121.

Frequency: Event generated.

Reporters: Corporations seeking to become bank holding companies (BHCs), or existing BHCs and State chartered banks that are members of the Federal Reserve System.

Estimated annual reporting hours: FR Y–3 Section 3(a)(1): 5,565 hours; FR Y–3 Section 3(a)(3) and 3(a)(5): 9,081 hours; FR Y–3N Section 3(a)(1), 3(a)(3), and 3(a)(5): 225 hours; FR Y–4 Complete notification: 936 hours; FR Y–4 Expedited notification: 90 hours; and FR Y–4 Post-consummation: 8 hours.

Estimated average hours per response: FR Y–3 Section 3(a)(1): 53 hours; FR Y–3 Section 3(a)(3) and 3(a)(5): 63.5 hours; FR Y–3N Section 3(a)(1), 3(a)(3), and 3(a)(5): 5 hours; FR Y–4 Complete notification: 12 hours; FR Y–4 Expedited notification: 5 hours; and FR Y–4 Post-consummation: 30 minutes.

Number of respondents: FR Y–3 Section 3(a)(1): 105; FR Y–3 Section 3(a)(3) and 3(a)(5): 143; FR Y–3N Section 3(a)(1), 3(a)(3), and 3(a)(5): 45; FR Y–4 Complete notification: 78; FR Y–4 Expedited notification: 18; and FR Y–4 Post-consummation: 16.

General description of report: These information collections are mandatory (12 U.S.C. 1842(a), 1844(b), 1843(j)). The information submitted in the FR Y–3, FR Y–3N, and FR Y–4 is considered to be public unless an institution requests confidential treatment for portions of the particular application or notification. Applicants may rely on any Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) exemption, but such requests for confidentiality must contain detailed justifications corresponding to the claimed FOIA exemption. Requests for confidentiality must be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

Abstract: The Federal Reserve requires the submission of these filings for regulatory and supervisory purposes and to allow the Federal Reserve to fulfill its statutory obligations under the Bank Holding Company (BHC) Act of 1956. These filings collect information on proposals by bank holding companies involving formations, acquisitions, mergers, and nonbanking activities. The Federal Reserve must obtain this information to evaluate each individual transaction with respect to financial and managerial factors, permissibility, competitive effects, net public benefits, and the impact on the convenience and needs of affected communities.

Current Actions: The Federal Reserve proposes to revise the FR Y–3 instructions by requesting additional information in Section 7. Any principal that would own 10 percent or more of the equity of the Applicant would be asked to provide an Interagency Biographical and Financial Report (FR 2081c; OMB No. 7100–0134) (IBFR). If the principal is a corporation or partnership, it would be asked to provide financial statements (balance sheets and income statements) for the two most recent fiscal years and the most recent quarter end. Applicants would be asked to discuss any negative trends in the financial statements.

Proposal to approve under OMB delegated authority the extension for three years, without revision, the following reports:

1. *Report title:* Annual Daylight Overdraft Capital Report for U.S. Branches and Agencies of Foreign Banks.

Agency form number: FR 2225.

OMB control number: 7100–0216.

Frequency: Annual.

Reporters: Foreign banks with U.S. branches or agencies.

Estimated annual reporting hours: 45 hours.

Estimated average hours per response: 1 hour.

Number of respondents: 45.

General description of report: This information collection is authorized pursuant to sections 11(i), 16, and 19(f) of the Federal Reserve Act (12 U.S.C. 248(i), 248–1, and 464). A foreign banking organization (FBO) is required to respond in order to obtain or retain a benefit, *i.e.,* in order for the U.S. branch or agency of an FBO to establish and maintain a non-zero net debit cap. The information submitted by respondents is not confidential; however, respondents may request confidential treatment for portions of the report. Data may be considered confidential and exempt from disclosure under section (b)(4) of the Freedom of Information Act if it constitutes commercial or financial information and it would customarily not be released to the public by the person from whom it was obtained (5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4)).

Abstract: This report was implemented in March 1986 as part of the procedures used to administer the Federal Reserve's Payments System Risk (PSR) policy. A key component of the PSR policy is a limit, or a net debit cap, on an institution's negative intraday balance in its Reserve Bank account. The Federal Reserve calculates an institution's net debit cap by applying the multiple associated with the net debit cap category to the institution's

capital. For FBOs, a percentage of the FBO's capital measure, known as the U.S. capital equivalency, is used to calculate the FBO's net debit cap.

Currently, an FBO with U.S. branches or agencies may voluntarily file the FR 2225 to provide the Federal Reserve with its capital measure. Because an FBO that files the FR 2225 may be able to use its total capital in determining its U.S. capital equivalency measure, which is then used to calculate its net debit cap, an FBO seeking to maximize its daylight overdraft capacity may find it advantageous to file the FR 2225. An FBO that does not file FR 2225 may use an alternative capital measure based on its nonrelated liabilities.

2. *Report title:* International Applications and Prior Notifications under Subparts A and C of Regulation K.

Agency form number: FR K–1.

OMB control number: 7100–0107.

Frequency: Event generated.

Reporters: State member banks, Edge and agreement corporations, bank holding companies, and certain FBOs.

Estimated annual reporting hours: Attachments A and B, 161 hours; Attachments C through G, 120 hours; Attachments H and I, 558 hours; Attachment J, 30 hours; Attachment K, 20 hours.

Estimated average hours per response: Attachments A and B, 11.5 hours; Attachments C through G, 10 hours; Attachments H and I, 15.5 hours; Attachment J, 10 hours; Attachment K, 20 hours.

Number of respondents: Attachments A and B, 7; Attachments C through G, 6; Attachments H and I, 12; Attachment J, 3; Attachment K, 1.

General description of report: This information collection is mandatory pursuant to sections 25 and 25A of the Federal Reserve Act (12 U.S.C. 601–604(a), 611–631) and sections 4(c)(13), 4(c)(14), and 5(c) of the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1843(c)(13), 1843(c)(14), 1844(c)). The information submitted in the FR K–1 is considered to be public unless an institution requests confidential treatment for portions of the particular application or notification. Applicants may rely on any FOIA exemption, but such requests for confidentiality must contain detailed justifications corresponding to the claimed FOIA exemption. Requests for confidentiality must be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

Abstract: Subpart A of Regulation K governs the foreign investments and activities of member banks, Edge and agreement corporations, bank holding companies, and certain investments by foreign organizations. Subpart C of Regulation K governs investments in export trading companies. The FR K–1 information collection contains eleven attachments for the application and notification requirements embodied in Subparts A and C of Regulation K. The Federal Reserve requires these applications for regulatory and supervisory purposes and to allow the Federal Reserve to fulfill its statutory obligations under the Federal Reserve Act and the BHC Act of 1956.

3. *Report title:* International Applications and Prior Notifications Under Subpart B of Regulation K.

Agency form number: FR K–2.

OMB control number: 7100–284.

Frequency: Event generated.

Reporters: Foreign banks.

Estimated annual reporting hours: 630 hours.

Estimated average hours per response: 35 hours.

Number of respondents: 18.

General description of report: This information collection is mandatory pursuant to sections 7, 10, and 13 of the International Banking Act (12 U.S.C. 3105, 3107, 3108). The applying or notifying organization may request that portions of the information contained in the FR K–2 be afforded confidential treatment. To do so, applicants must demonstrate how the information for which confidentiality is requested would fall within the scope of one or more of the exemptions contained in the Freedom of Information Act. Any such request would have to be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

Abstract: Foreign banks are required to obtain the prior approval of the Federal Reserve to establish a branch, agency, or representative office; to acquire ownership or control of a commercial lending company in the United States; or to change the status of any existing office in the United States. The Federal Reserve uses the information, in part, to fulfill its statutory obligation to supervise FBOs with offices in the United States.

4. *Report title:* Application for a Foreign Organization to Acquire a U.S. Bank or Bank Holding Company.

Agency form number: FR Y–3F.

OMB control number: 7100–0119.

Frequency: Event generated.

Reporters: Any company organized under the laws of a foreign country seeking to acquire a U.S. subsidiary bank or BHC.

Estimated annual reporting hours: Initial application, 90 hours; subsequent application, 490 hours.

Estimated average hours per response: Initial application, 90 hours; subsequent application, 70 hours.

Number of respondents: Initial application, 1; subsequent application, 7.

General description of report: This information collection is required to obtain or retain a benefit under sections 3(a), 3(c), and 5(a) through 5(c) of the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1842(a), (c), 1844(a)–(c). The information provided in the application is not confidential unless the applicant specifically requests confidentiality and the Federal Reserve approves the request.

Abstract: Under the BHC Act, submission of this application is required for any company organized under the laws of a foreign country seeking to acquire a U.S. subsidiary bank or BHC. Applicants must provide financial and managerial information, discuss the competitive effects of the proposed transaction, and discuss how the proposed transaction would enhance the convenience and needs of the community to be served. The Federal Reserve uses the information, in part, to fulfill its supervisory responsibilities with respect to FBOs in the United States.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, December 22, 2010.

Jennifer J. Johnson,

Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Change in Bank Control Notices; Acquisitions of Shares of a Bank or Bank Holding Company

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 shares of 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 offices 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 January 11, 2011.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (Clifford Stanford, Vice President) 1000 Peachtree Street, NE., Atlanta, Georgia 30309: