



BOARD OF GOVERNORS
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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20551

ADDRESS OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE
TO THE BOARD

June 30, 1997

Kathryn V. McCulloch
Vice President and Assistant
General Counsel
The Chase Manhattan Bank
270 Park Avenue
39th Floor
New York, New York 10017-2070

Dear Ms. McCulloch:

The Chase Manhattan Bank, New York, New York ("Chase"), has applied for authorization from the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (the "Board") to invest an amount in excess of 10 percent of its capital and surplus in its Edge corporations. The Board has determined that Chase may invest up to an additional _____ in its Edge corporation subsidiaries pursuant to section 25A of the Federal Reserve Act, as amended. In taking this action, the Board took into account the capital position and managerial capacity of Chase, its parent and subsidiaries, and the nature and location of the activities of the Edge corporations. Based on the facts of record, the Board concluded that the proposed investment would not be unsafe or unsound.

The authority to make this investment expires one year from the date on which the Board has made its determination, unless the Board extends the period.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "William W. Wiles".

William W. Wiles
Secretary of the Board

cc: Mr. John S. Cassidy
Federal Reserve Bank of New York