

Washington, DC Office of the Federal Maritime Commission, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., 9th Floor. Interested parties may submit comments on each agreement to the Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, DC 20573, within 10 days after the date of the Federal Register in which this notice appears. The requirements for comments are found in section 572.603 of Title 46 of the Code of Federal Regulations. Interested persons should consult this section before communicating with the Commission regarding a pending agreement.

*Agreement No.:* 217-011548.

*Title:* Hanjin/SINOTRANS Slot Charter Agreement.

*Parties:*

Hanjin Shipping Co., Ltd. ("Hanjin")  
China National Foreign Trade  
("SINOTRANS") Transportation  
Corp.

*Synopsis:* The proposed Agreement authorizes Hanjin to charter space to SINOTRANS in the trade between ports in China and Korea and ports on the West Coast of the United States.

*Agreement No.:* 224-200389-001.

*Title:* Houston Maritime Freight Handlers Discussion Agreement.

*Parties:*

Ceres Gulf, Inc.  
Fairway Terminal Corporation  
Southern Stevedoring Company  
Harbor Freight Transport  
SSA Ryan-Walsh, Inc.  
Strachan Shipping Co. of Texas  
Chaparral Stevedoring Co. of Texas  
Port-Cooper/T. Smith Stevedoring Co.

*Synopsis:* The proposed amendment amends Articles I, II, V, and VI to permit the parties to share credit information and begin refusing to handle cargo of delinquent creditors.

*Agreement No.:* 224-200994.

*Title:* Wharfage Agreement between Jacksonville Port Authority/Autoliners, Inc.

*Parties:*

Jacksonville Port Authority ("Port")  
Autoliners, Inc. ("Autoliners")

Under the proposed Agreement, Autoliners will pay the Port wharfage on automobiles crossing the Port's Blount Island Marine Terminal.

Dated: July 16, 1996.

By Order of the Federal Maritime Commission.

Joseph C. Polking,

Secretary.

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## FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

### Agency information collection activities: Proposed collection; comment request

**AGENCY:** Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System

**ACTION:** Notice

#### 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 of 1995, 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 1320 Appendix A.1. 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. Board-approved collections of information will be incorporated into the official OMB inventory of currently approved collections of information. A copy of the OMB 83-I and supporting statement and the approved collection of information instrument(s) will be placed into OMB's public docket files. 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 collection, 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 September 17, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments, which should refer to the OMB control number (or Agency form number in the case of a new information collection that has not yet been assigned an OMB number), should be addressed to William W. Wiles, Secretary, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, 20th and C Streets, N.W., Washington, DC 20551, or delivered to the Board's mail room between 8:45 a.m. and 5:15 p.m., and to the security control room outside of those hours. Both the mail room and the security control room are accessible from the courtyard entrance on 20th Street between Constitution Avenue and C Street, N.W. Comments received may be inspected in room M-P-500 between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., except as provided in section 261.8 of the Board's Rules Regarding Availability of Information, 12 CFR 261.8(a).

A copy of the comments may also be submitted to the OMB desk officer for the Board: Alexander T. Hunt, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 3208, Washington, DC 20503.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** A copy of the proposed form and instructions, the Paperwork Reduction Act Submission (OMB 83-I), supporting statement, and other documents that will be placed into OMB's public docket files once approved may be requested from the agency clearance officer, whose name appears below.

Mary M. McLaughlin, 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 Dorothea Thompson (202-452-3544), Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington, DC 20551.

Proposal to approve under OMB delegated authority the extension, without revision, of the following reports:

1. *Report title:* OTC Margin Stock Report

*Agency form number:* FR 2048

*OMB control number:* 7100-0004

*Frequency:* quarterly

*Reporters:* corporations that have stock trading over-the-counter and that are being considered for inclusion on the Board's List of Marginable OTC Stocks  
*Annual reporting hours:* 75

*Estimated average hours per response:* 0.25

*Number of respondents:* 75

Small businesses are not affected.

*General description of report:* This information collection is voluntary (12 U.S.C. §§78g and 78w) and is not given

confidential treatment (5 U.S.C. §552(b)(4)).

**Abstract:** The report is used to survey corporations with over-the-counter (OTC) stock traded on the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotations System's (NASDAQ) SmallCap Market. These securities are being considered for initial and continued inclusion on the Board's List of Marginable OTC Stocks published each February, May, August, and November. The OTC List is part of the information the Federal Reserve uses in fulfilling its statutory obligation to regulate margin credit as mandated by the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

**2. Report title:** Report of Broker Carrying Margin Accounts  
**Agency form number:** FR 2240  
**OMB control number:** 7100-0001  
**Frequency:** annual  
**Reporters:** member firms of the New York or American Stock Exchanges that are carrying margin accounts as of the last business day of June each year  
**Annual reporting hours:** 232  
**Estimated average hours per response:** 2.7

**Number of respondents:** 86  
Small businesses are affected.

**General description of report:** This information collection is mandatory (12 U.S.C. §78q(g)) and is given confidential treatment (5 U.S.C. §552(b)(4)).

**Abstract:** The report collects certain balance sheet information required from securities brokers and dealers carrying margin accounts to fulfill the Board's responsibility to regulate margin credit under the Securities Exchange Act.

**3. Report title:** Consumer Satisfaction Questionnaire  
**Agency form number:** FR 1379  
**OMB control number:** 7100-0135  
**Frequency:** on occasion  
**Reporters:** individuals  
**Annual reporting hours:** 8  
**Estimated average hours per response:** .25

**Number of respondents:** 30  
Small businesses are not affected.

**General description of report:** This information collection is voluntary (15 U.S.C. § 57a) and is not generally given confidential treatment, however, some respondents may provide information not specifically solicited on the form which may be exempt from disclosure (5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(4), (b)(6), or (b)(7)) upon specific request from the respondent.

**Abstract:** The FR 1379 is used to determine whether complainants are satisfied with the way the Federal Reserve System handled their complaints and to solicit suggestions for improving the complaint-handling process. The questionnaire is sent to

consumers whose complaints against state member banks were referred by the Board of Governors to the appropriate Federal Reserve Bank for resolution.

**4. Report title:** Application for a Foreign Organization to Become a Bank Holding Company  
**Agency form number:** FR Y-1f  
**OMB control number:** 7100-0119  
**Frequency:** on occasion  
**Reporters:** foreign organizations seeking initial entry into the United States through the acquisition of a domestic bank  
**Annual reporting hours:** 154  
**Estimated average hours per response:** 77

**Number of respondents:** 2  
Small businesses are not affected.

**General description of report:** This information collection is mandatory for any foreign organization seeking to become a U.S. bank holding company, and is authorized by the Bank Holding Company Act (12 U.S.C. §1842(a) and 1844(a) through (c)) and by Regulation Y (12 CFR §§225.5(a) and 225.11(f)). The FR Y-1f is not confidential unless the applicant specifically requests confidential treatment and the Board approves the request. For the Board to grant confidentiality, the applicant must demonstrate that disclosure of certain information would likely result in substantial harm to the competitive position of the bank holding company, its substitutes, or the bank to be acquired, or that disclosure of personal information would result in clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

**Abstract:** The application is filed by any company that is organized under the laws of a foreign country and that is seeking initial entry into the United States via establishment or acquisition of a U.S. subsidiary bank. The application must contain the most recent information available so that the staff can analyze the applicant's current competitive position, its financial condition, and its compliance with relevant statutory factors. While the application collects the minimum amount of information needed, the instructions explicitly state that the applicant may submit any additional information that it wants the Federal Reserve to consider; thus the applicant has latitude to present its best case. No other supervisory information is collected.

Proposal to discontinue under OMB delegated authority the following reports:

**1. Report title:** Survey of Debits to Selected Deposit Accounts  
**Agency form number:** FR 2573  
**OMB control number:** 7100-0081

**Frequency:** monthly  
**Reporters:** selected commercial banks  
**Annual reporting hours:** 3,000  
**Estimated average hours per response:** 1.0

**Number of respondents:** 250  
Small businesses are affected.

**General description of report:** This information collection is voluntary (12 U.S.C. § 248(a)(2)) and is given confidential treatment (5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(4)).

**Abstract:** The report collects the amount of debits (withdrawals during the month) for three deposit categories, which cover the major types of deposits that money stock holders can use directly or indirectly for transaction purposes:

(1) demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, corporations, and of states and political subdivisions;

(2) other checkable deposits (ATS, NOW, and telephone and preauthorized transfer accounts); and

(3) savings deposits (including money market deposit accounts). The Federal Reserve has used the FR 2573 data, together with deposit balance data obtained in large part from weekly deposits reports, in constructing universe estimates of bank debits and in calculating deposit turnover rates, which are published in the Federal Reserve's monthly statistical release, "Debits and Deposit Turnover at Commercial Banks (G.6)." These data have aided in explaining the behavior of the transaction accounts component of the monetary aggregates.

The usefulness of the FR 2573 data in understanding the behavior of the monetary aggregates has diminished in recent years as the distinction between transaction accounts and savings accounts has become increasingly blurred. Further, the emphasis on monetary aggregates as policy targets has decreased. In addition, respondent participation has declined over the last several years. For these reasons, the Federal Reserve proposes to discontinue the survey and the related statistical release.

**2. Report title:** Quarterly Report of Condition for a New York State Investment Company and Its Domestic Subsidiaries  
**Agency form number:** FR 2886a  
**OMB control number:** 7100-0207  
**Frequency:** quarterly  
**Reporters:** New York State investment companies  
**Annual reporting hours:** 360  
**Estimated average hours per response:** 18

**Number of respondents:** 5  
Small businesses are not affected.

**General description of report:** This information collection is mandatory (12

U.S.C. § 3105(b)(1)) and is authorized by state law (New York State Banking Law §513). Data from Schedule M, "Due to/ Due from Related Banking Institutions in the U.S. and in Foreign Countries," is given confidential treatment (5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(4)).

**Abstract:** This report collects selected balance sheet items from New York State investment companies chartered under Article XII of New York state banking law that are engaged in banking and that are majority owned by foreign banks. The Federal Reserve uses data from the FR 2886a to construct various banking statistics, including money stock, bank credit aggregates, and nondeposit sources of funds for commercial banks. The New York State Banking Department uses data from the FR 2886a for supervisory purposes.

Over the last few years the number of respondents required to file this report has declined with asset coverage shrinking significantly. Because of the very small number of respondents and the diminished importance that they represent in the construction of the Board's various banking statistics, the Federal Reserve proposes to discontinue the collection of this report. The New York State Banking Department will continue to collect the FR 2886a on their own behalf for supervisory purposes.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, July 15, 1996.

William W. Wiles,

*Secretary of the Board.*

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## FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

### Formations of, Acquisitions by, and Mergers of Bank Holding Companies

The company listed in this notice has 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 application listed below, as well as other related filings required by the Board, are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. Once the application has been accepted for processing, it will also 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, including whether the acquisition of the nonbanking company can "reasonably be expected to produce benefits to the public, such as greater convenience, increased competition, or gains in efficiency, that outweigh possible adverse effects, such as undue concentration of resources, decreased or unfair competition, conflicts of interests, or unsound banking practices" (12 U.S.C. 1843). Any request for a hearing must be accompanied by a statement of the reasons a written presentation would not suffice in lieu of a hearing, identifying specifically any questions of fact that are in dispute, summarizing the evidence that would be presented at a hearing, and indicating how the party commenting would be aggrieved by approval of the proposal. Unless otherwise noted, nonbanking activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding the application must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than August 12, 1996.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (Zane R. Kelley, Vice President) 104 Marietta Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303:

1. *ISB Financial Corporation*, New Iberia, Louisiana; to merge with Jefferson Bancorp, Inc., Gretna, Louisiana, and thereby indirectly acquire Jefferson Federal Savings Bank, Gretna, Louisiana.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, July 15, 1996.

Jennifer J. Johnson

*Deputy Secretary of the Board*

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### Sunshine Act

**AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:** Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

**TIME AND DATE:** 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, July 24, 1996.

**PLACE:** Marriner S. Eccles Federal Reserve Board Building, C Street entrance between 20th and 21st Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20551.

**STATUS:** Closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:**

1. Personnel actions (appointments, promotions, assignments, reassignments, and salary actions) involving individual Federal Reserve System employees.
2. Any items carried forward from a previously announced meeting.

### CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Mr. Joseph R. Coyne, Assistant to the Board; (202) 452-3204. You may call (202) 452-3207, beginning at approximately 5 p.m. two business days before this meeting, for a recorded announcement of bank and bank holding company applications scheduled for the meeting.

Dated: July 17, 1996.

William W. Wiles,

*Secretary of the Board.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Advisory Board on Welfare Indicators Meeting

**AGENCY:** Advisory Board on Welfare Indicators.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda for the first meeting of the Advisory Board on Welfare Indicators. This notice also describes the functions of the Advisory Board. Notice of this meeting is required under section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act and is intended to notify the public of their opportunity to attend.

**DATE AND TIME:** August 2, 1996, 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The Snow Room, 5051 Cohen Building, 300 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20201.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ann McCormick, Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation—Human Services Policy, 200 Independence Ave., S.W., Washington, D.C. 20201. Telephone: (202) 690-5880; FAX: (202) 690-6562.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Advisory Board on Welfare Indicators was established by Subtitle D, section 232 of the Social Security Act Amendments of 1994 (Public Law 103-432). The duties of the Advisory Board include (A) providing advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Health and Human Services on the development of indicators of the rate at which and, to the extent feasible, the degree to which, families depend on income from welfare programs and the