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Federal Reserve Board Launches New Website Section on Credit and Liquidity Programs and the Balance Sheet

On February 23, 2009, the Federal Reserve Board announced a new section on its website expanding the information provided about the Federal Reserve policy tools that have been employed to address the financial crisis and simplifying access to that information.

The website section called "<u>Credit and Liquidity Programs and the Balance Sheet</u>," presents a wide range of material, including:

- A detailed explanation of the Federal Reserve's balance sheet,
- Descriptions of all of the Federal Reserve's liquidity and credit facilities,
- Discussion of the Federal Reserve's risk-management practices,
- Information on the types and amounts of collateral being pledged at the various lending facilities, and other useful resources.

The new section of the Federal Reserve Board's website can be accessed at: http://www.federalreserve.gov/monetarypolicy/bst.htm

DBF Outreach AND UPCOMING SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

District Director Lori Binford will be speaking at a meeting of the Georgia Appraiser's Coalition being held on March 5th at The Blue Room of the Georgia Freight Depot.

Action on Applications for the Month of February:

The following is a summary of official action taken on applications by State Financial Institutions under Chapter 7-1 of the Code of Georgia and petitions for Certificate of Incorporation of Financial Institutions and other matters of interest during the month of February 2009.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTION CONVERSIONS

PREVIOUS NAME	CONVERTED TO	APPROVAL	EFFECTIVE
Columbus Bank and Trust Company	CB&T, N.A. Columbus	Pending	
	Muscogee County		

APPLICATIONS TO ESTABLISH A BRANCH OFFICE

FINANCIAL INSTITUTION Citizens Trust Bank Atlanta	BRANCH OFFICE Stone Mountain Street Branch Office 3065 Stone Mountain Street Lithonia, GA 30058 DeKalb County	APPROVAL Pending	BEGIN BUSINESS
SunTrust Bank Atlanta	Beaver Creek Branch Office I 200 Beaver Creek Commons Drive Apex, NC 27502 Wake County	02-23-2009	
SunTrust Bank Atlanta	Clint Moore Road Branch Office 6653 Jog Road Boca Raton, FL 33496 Palm Beach County	01-26-2009	02-02-2009
SunTrust Bank Atlanta	Canton Marketplace Branch Office 1628 Cumming Highway Canton, GA 30114 Cherokee County	02-06-2009	
SunTrust Bank Atlanta	River's Station Branch Office 5420 West Fayetteville Road College Park, GA 30349 Clayton County	02-06-2009	
SunTrust Bank Atlanta	The Forum Branch Office 3330 Forum Boulevard Fort Myers, FL 33905 Lee County	01-26-2009	02-03-2009
SunTrust Bank Atlanta	Lely Branch Office 12737 Tamiami Trail E Naples, FL 34113 Collier County	02-23-2009	
SunTrust Bank Atlanta	Naples Boulevard Branch Office 5795 Airport Road N Naples, FL 34109 Collier County	02-23-2009	

FINANCIAL INSTITUTION SunTrust Bank Atlanta	BRANCH OFFICE Fountains West Branch Office 2605 Ocoee Apopka Road Ocoee, FL 34761 Orange County	APPROVAL Pending	<u>BEGIN BUSINESS</u>
American Pride Bank Macon	Warner Robins Branch Office 4001 Russell Parkway Warner Robins, GA 31088 Houston County	06-08-2007	02-26-2009
Ameris Bank Moultrie	Town Center Branch Office 4835 Town Center Parkway Jacksonville, FL 32246 Duval County	02-23-2009	
Ameris Bank Moultrie	Old Ocilla Road Branch Office 1911 Old Ocilla Road Tifton, GA 31794 Tift County	02-11-2009	
Southwest Georgia Bank Moultrie	Valdosta Branch Office 3500 North Valdosta Road Valdosta, GA 31602 Lowndes County	02-06-2009	
First Choice Community Bank 1874 Newnan	Lawrenceville Branch Office 185 Gwinnett Drive Lawrenceville, GA 30045 Gwinnett County	12-01-2008	Withdrawn 02-03-2009
First Choice Community Bank 1874 Newnan	Main Office 5270 Peachtree Parkway Suite 116 Norcross, GA 30092 Gwinnett County	12-01-2008	Withdrawn 02-03-2009

APPLICATIONS TO CHANGE LOCATION

FINANCIAL INSTITUTION		CHANGE LOCATION OF	APPROVAL	EFFECTIVE
SunTrust Bank		Great Falls Branch Office	01-20-2009	02-23-2009
Atlanta	From:	9883 Georgetown Pike		
		Great Falls VA		
		Fairfax County		
	To:	9912 Georgetown Pike		
		Great Falls VA 22066		
		Fairfax County		
The Heritage Bank		Ludowici Branch Office	02-13-2009	
Hinesville	From:	31 McDonald Street		
		Ludowici GA 31316		
		Long County		
	To:	60 West Cypress Street		
		Ludowici GA 31316		
		Long County		

APPLICATIONS FOR RESERVATION OF A NAME

PROPOSED NAME

The Citizens Bank of Georgia

<u>COUNTY</u> Forsyth County

APPLICANT

Mr. Timothy D. Foreman, CFO The Citizens Bank of Forsyth County P.O. Box 2820 Cumming, GA 30028

FINANCIAL INSTITUTION MERGERS

FINANCIAL INSTITUTION (SURVIVOR) Security Bank and Trust Company of Albany Albany, GA	MERGED INSTITUTION Sumter Bank and Trust Company Americus, GA	APPROVAL Pending	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
CB&T, N.A. (f/k/a Columbus Bank and Trust Company) Columbus, GA	Commercial Bank & Trust Company of Troup County LaGrange, GA	Pending	
CB&T, N.A. (f/k/a Columbus Bank and Trust Company) Columbus, GA	CB&T Bank of Middle Georgia Warner Robins, GA	Pending	
Community National Bank Dayton, TN	Rossville Bank Rossville, GA	12-16-2008	02-28-2009
Security Bank of Bibb County Macon, GA	Security Bank of North Fulton Alpharetta, GA	Pending	
Security Bank of Bibb County Macon, GA	Security Bank of Houston County Perry, GA	Pending	
Security Bank of Bibb County Macon, GA	Security Bank of Gwinnett County Suwanee, GA	Pending	
Security Bank of Bibb County Macon, GA	Security Bank of North Metro Woodstock, GA	Pending	
Security Bank of Bibb County Macon, GA	Security Bank of Jones County Gray, GA	Pending	
First Gulf Bank, National Association Pensacola, FL	RBC Bank (Georgia) Atlanta, GA	Pending	
Rossville Bank Rossville, GA	Rossville Bankshares, Inc. Rossville, GA	12-16-2008	02-28-2009

CHECK CASHER LICENSES ISSUED

<u>CITY</u>

Baxley Albany Conyers Norcross Austell Dalton Auburn Norcross Marietta Barnesville Tifton Gainesville Americus Gainesville Forest Park Hazlehurst Buena Vista Butler Austell Americus Austell Blakely

APPLICANT NAME

* Albany, Inc. * Applejac, LLC Ase-Ri Corporation Chung's Enterprise, LLC * Deedar Ali Boricha Guerrero Group, LLC * Gwinnett Business, Inc. H&V Food Corp. Hart & BB Check Cashing Service, LLC High Falls Bar-B-Que & Beverage, Inc. Insurance Unlimited, Inc. MP Gainesville, LLC * Madhavi Enterprise, LLC * Mithson, Inc. * Mohammad Sheikh * P Khushi, LLC * RSU Enterprises, LLC Saurin, Inc. * Sebo, LLC * T & R Food Store, Inc. Umi Salma, Inc. * Viraj Enterprises, Inc.

TRADE NAME

Bell Smith Foods Ajax Liquor

C&K Check Cashing Petro Mart Guerrero Financial Services Auburn Express Bravo Farmer's Market Hart & BB Check Cashing

Texaco at Lakeshore Sam's Danfair Express

Twin Pic Mac's Milk Buena Vista Services Northside Quick-Serve Super Shop Mr. Check Cashier B. J.'s Express

* =Registered (O.C.G.A. 7-1-700 et al)



DBF's Customer Service Star for the Month of February

Georgia

It is the Department's goal to provide excellent customer service, meeting and exceeding the expectations of our customers. Along those lines, we would like to recognize the following individual for going above and beyond in serving our customers:

Applications Analyst Irene Harper (NDFI—Mortgage): The Department received comments from three customers regarding Irene stating: "Although the application process was lengthy, as we were caught in the middle of Georgia switching to the NMLS system, the assistance we received from Irene Harper was EXCELLENT, she was very helpful and informative. She is the reason we rated this experience so high," and "The person I was dealing with, Irene Harper, was knowledgeable and courteous," and "Great communication. Ms. Harper was a joy to work with."

CONGRATULATIONS AND GREAT JOB TO THIS MONTH'S CUSTOMER SERVICE STAR!!



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