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Dated: August 7, 1998.

Joseph C. Polking,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

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

The companies listed in this notice have 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 applications listed below, as well as other related filings required by the Board, are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The application also will 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. Unless otherwise noted, nonbanking activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding each of these applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than September 8, 1998.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (Lois Berthaume, Vice President) 104 Marietta Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-2713:

1. *First National Bancshares, Inc.*, Bradenton, Florida; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of First National Bank of Manatee, Bradenton, Florida.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago (Philip Jackson, Applications Officer) 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60690-1413:

1. *Associated Banc-Corp.*, Green Bay, Wisconsin; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Associated Bank Illinois, N.A., Rockford, Illinois (in organization).

2. *Holland Financial Corporation*, Holland, Michigan; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of The Bank of Holland, Holland, Michigan (in organization).

C. Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco (Maria Villanueva, Manager of Analytical Support, Consumer Regulation Group) 101 Market Street, San Francisco, California 94105-1579:

1. *Eggemeyer Advisory Corp.*, *Castle Creek Capital, LLC*, and *Castle Creek Capital Partners Fund-I, LP*, all of Rancho Santa Fe, California; to acquire more than 5 percent of the voting shares of Continental National Bancshares, Inc., El Paso, Texas, and thereby indirectly acquire Continental National Bank, El Paso, Texas.

2. *State National Bancshares, Inc.*, Lubbock, Texas; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Continental National Bancshares, Inc., El Paso, Texas, and thereby indirectly acquire Continental National Bank, El Paso, Texas.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, August 7, 1998.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Associate Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

[File No. 982-3050]

Allied Domecq Spirits & Wine Americas, Inc. et al.; Analysis to Aid Public Comment

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission.

ACTION: Proposed Consent Agreement.

SUMMARY: The consent agreement in this matter settles alleged violations of federal law prohibiting unfair or deceptive acts or practices or unfair methods of competition. The attached Analysis to Aid Public Comment describes both the allegations in the draft complaint that accompanies the consent agreement and the terms of the consent order—embodied in the consent agreement—that would settle these allegations.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before October 13, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be directed to: FTC/Office of the Secretary, Room 159, 6th St. and Pa. Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20580.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lee Peeler, FTC/S-4002, Washington, DC 20580. (202) 326-3090.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to Section 6(f) of the Federal Trade Commission Act, 38 Stat. 721, 15 U.S.C. 46 and Section 2.34 of the Commission's Rules of Practice (16 CFR 2.34), notice is hereby given that the above-captioned consent agreement containing a consent order to cease and desist, having been filed with and accepted, subject to final approval, by the Commission, has been placed on the public record for a period of sixty (60) days. The following Analysis to Aid Public Comment describes the terms of the consent agreement, and the allegations in the complaint. An electronic copy of the full text of the consent agreement package can be obtained from the FTC Home Page (for August 6, 1998), on the World Wide Web, at "http://www.ftc.gov/os/actions97.htm." A paper copy can be obtained from the FTC Public Reference Room, Room H-130, Sixth Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20580, either in person or by calling (202) 326-3627. Public comment is invited. Such comments or views will be considered by the Commission and will be available for inspection and copying at its principal office in accordance with Section 4.9(b)(6)(ii) of the Commission's Rules of Practice (16 CFR 4.9(b)(6)(ii)).

Analysis of Proposed Consent Order to Aid Public Comment

The Federal Trade Commission has accepted an agreement, subject to final approval, to a proposed consent order from Allied Domecq Spirits & Wine Americas, Inc. and Allied Domecq Spirits & Wine USA, Inc. d/b/a Hiram Walker, Delaware and Michigan corporations, respectively (hereinafter collectively referred to as Allied).

The proposed consent order has been placed on the public record for sixty (60) days for reception of comments by interested persons. Comments received during this period will become part of the public record. After sixty (60) days, the Commission will again review the agreement and the comments received and will decide whether it should withdraw from the agreement and take other appropriate action or make final the agreement's proposed order.

The Commission's complaint in this matter concerns two nearly identical television advertisements for Allied's Kahlua White Russian pre-mixed

cocktail. According to the complaint, these ads falsely represented that the product was a "LOW ALCOHOL BEVERAGE." Allied has ceased making this representation.

Paragraph seven of the complaint sets out several reasons why the Kahlua White Russian pre-mixed cocktail should not be represented as a low alcohol beverage. It has significant alcohol content, 11.8 proof (5.9% alcohol by volume), equal to or greater than numerous other alcohol beverages. For example, a Kahlua White Russian has substantially more alcohol ounce for ounce than many beers, malt liquors and wine coolers. For some people, drinking as few as two or three Kahlua White Russians will begin to impair normal functions, such as driving. It is also pertinent that the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms has limited use of the term "low alcohol," for the purposes of beer and malt liquor, to products with less than 2.5% alcohol by volume. The alcohol content of a Kahlua White Russian is substantially higher, with 5.9% alcohol by volume. Accordingly, the complaint alleges that the low alcohol beverage representation was false or misleading.

The consent order contains provisions designed to remedy the violations charged and to prevent Allied from engaging in similar acts in the future. Part I of the order prohibits any representation that any beverage alcohol product containing 5.9% alcohol by volume is a low alcohol beverage, as well as any misrepresentation, through numerical or descriptive terms, or any other means, of the amount of alcohol contained in any beverage alcohol product. Part I of the order does not prohibit Allied from making any representation about the amount of alcohol contained in any beverage alcohol product that is specifically required in advertising by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms. Part I of the order also does not prohibit Allied from making non-misleading claims presenting clear and accurate comparisons of the alcohol content of Kahlua White Russians and any other specified beverage alcohol product. Indeed, Commission policy encourages truthful comparative advertising as an important means of informing consumers about the relative merits of competing products. See, In Regard to Comparative Advertising, 15 CFR 14.15 (favoring comparative advertising generally); Guides for the Use of Environmental Marketing Claims, 16 CFR 260.6(d) (guidance on comparative environmental claims); Enforcement Policy Statement on Food Advertising,

p. 10 (1994) (guidance on comparative nutrient content claims).

The remaining parts of the order contain record keeping (Part II); order distribution (Part III); notification of corporate change (Part IV); compliance report filing (Part V) and sunset (VI) provisions.

The purpose of this analysis is to facilitate public comment on the proposed order, and it is not to constitute an official interpretation of the agreement and proposed order or to modify in any way their terms.

By direction of the Commission.

Benjamin I. Berman,

Acting Secretary.

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FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

[File No. 982-3092]

Beck's North America, Inc.; Analysis to Aid Public Comment

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission.

ACTION: Proposed consent agreement.
