(7) Remediation of a fraudulent bankruptcy due to identity theft.

Possible Subtopics

(8) What can be done to respond to other harms (*e.g.*, denial of employment, insurance, or mortgage) due to identity theft?

(9) What are some "best practices" that have been adopted in the customer service area for identity theft victims?

(10) How can the process by which identity theft victims clear their names be streamlined? Can the requirements be made more uniform? For example, is the use of a standardized fraud affidavit by creditors a possible solution? Is a centralized reporting process a practical option? Are there other ways to minimize the paperwork burden and/or the number of phone calls consumers have to make?

(11) Would making the process of clearing one's name less burdensome on victims also facilitate fraud? How do we distinguish between victims and perpetrators?

(12) How can we ensure that "fraud alerts" on credit reports are seen and honored by credit grantors, so as to reduce the likelihood of future harm to the victim?

Section C. Request To Participate

The FTC invites members of the public, industry, and other interested parties to participate as a panelist in the workshop. To be eligible to participate, you must file a request to participate by September 15, 2000. If the number of parties who request to participate in the workshop is so large that including all requestors would inhibit effective discussion among participants, staff of the FTC will select as participants a limited number of parties to represent the relevant interests. Selection will be based on the following criteria:

(1) The party submitted a request to participate by September 15, 2000.

(2) The party's participation would promote the representation of a balance of interests at the workshop.

(3) The party's participation would promote the consideration and discussion of the issues presented in the workshop.

(4) The party has expertise in issues raised in the workshop.

(5) The party adequately reflects the view of the affected interests which it purports to represent.

If it is necessary to limit the number of participants, those who requested to participate but were not selected will be afforded an opportunity, if at all possible, to present statements during a limited time period at the end of the session. The time allotted for these statements will be based on the amount of time necessary for discussion of the issues by the selected parties, and on the number of persons who wish to make statements. Requestors will be notified as soon as possible after September 15, 2000, if they have been selected to participate. By direction of the Commission. **Donald S. Clark,** *Secretary.* [FR Doc. 00–21186 Filed 8–18–00; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6750–01–P

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

Granting of Request for Early Termination of the Waiting Period Under the Premerger Notification Rules

Section 7A of the Clayton Act, 15 U.S.C. 18a, as added by Title II of the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, requires persons contemplating certain mergers or acquisitions to give the Federal Trade Commission and the Assistant Attorney General advance notice and to wait designated periods before consummation of such plans. Section 7A(b)(2) of the Act permits the agencies, in individual cases, to terminate this waiting period prior to its expiration and requires that notice of this action be published in the **Federal Register**.

The following transactions were granted early termination of the waiting period provided by law and the premerger notification rules. The grants were made by the Federal Trade Commission and the Assistant Attorney General for the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice. Neither agency intends to take any action with respect to these proposed acquisitions during the applicable waiting period.

Trans No.	Acquiring	Acquired	Entities
20003966	Richard R. Rogers	Marketing Specialists Corporation	Marketing Specialists Corporation.
20004024	Applied Digital Solutions, Inc	Computer Equity Corporation	Computer Equity Corporation.
20004033	Hicks, Muse, Tate & Furst Europe Fund, L.P.	Viatel, Inc	Viatel, Inc.
20004039	Mitel Corporation	Vertex Networks, Incorporated	Vertex Networks, Incorporated.
20004055	Oak Hill Capital Partners, L.P	IPWireless, Inc	IPWireless, Inc.
20004062	Northern States Power Company	Den norske stats oljeselskap a.s	First State Power Management, Inc. Statoil Energy Power Generation, Inc.
20004064	PowerGen plc	LG&E Energy Corp	LG&E Energy Corp.
20004065	Cox Enterprises, Inc	Robert N. Smith	Smith Acquisition Company.
20004067	Cox Enterprises, Inc	Hicks, Muse, Tate & Furst Equity Fund III, LP.	WJAC, Incorporated.
20004074	Johnson Controls, Inc	Ikeda Bussan Co., Ltd	Ikeda Bussan Co., Ltd.
20004076	Unaxis Holding AG	Mr. Karl Nicklaus	ESEC Holding SA.
20004083	DDi Corp	Cornerstone Equity Investors IV, L.P	Automata International, Inc.
20004084			Fremont Investment & Loan. Fremont Premier Finance Corporation.
20004085	El Paso Energy Partners, L.P	El Paso Energy Corporation	Crystal Holdings, Inc.

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Trans No.	Acquiring	Acquired	Entities	
TRANACTIONS GRANTED EARLY TERMINATION-07/31/2000				
20004021 20004056 20004115 20004136 20004140 20004142 20004143 20004150 20004151 20004152	Texas Instruments Incorporated David S. Smith Bowater Incorporated Mine Safety Appliances Company Land O'Lakes, Inc Media Metrix, Inc Lincolnshire Equity Fund II, L.P HMTF Bridge Partners, L.P PwC Global Investments B.V Lincolnshire Equity Fund II, L.P	PSI Holding, L.L.C General Electric Company William T. McCutcheon AgriBioTech, Inc Jupiter Communications, Inc Alan Van Vliet Vectrix Corporation PwC Global Investments B.V	Burr-Brown Corporation. PSI Holding, L.L.C. Newsprint South, Inc. Cairns & Brother, Inc. AgriBioTech, Inc. Jupiter Communications, Inc. Unified Precious Metals, Inc. Vectrix Corporation. PwCS Holdings, Inc. Fallon Luminous Products Corporation.	
20004155 20004158 20004159 20004160	Roland Siegfried Hinz and Lita Sullivan Hinz. Microsoft Corporation Thayer Equity Investors IV, L.P Forstmann Little & Co. Equity Partner- ship VI.		Salem Communications Corporation. eLabor.com, Inc. EFTC Corporation. Intelisys Electronic Commerce, Inc.	
20004161 20004162 20004166 20004167 20004170 20004171 20004178 20004251	Centennial Fund VI, L.P PMC-Sierra, Inc SCI Systems, Inc Marathon Fund Limited Partnership IV William Clay Ford William Clay Ford, Jr. Forest Laboratories, Inc Ford Motor Company	Agilera.com, Inc Quantum Effect Devices, Inc OMX, Inc International Utility Structures Inc Ford Motor Company Ford Motor Company Merz + Co. GmbH & Co	Agilera.com, Inc. Quantum Effect Devices, Inc. OMX, Inc. IUS Holdings Inc. Ford Motor Company. Ford Motor Company. Merz + Co. GmbH & Co. Paul Bailey's Ford, Inc.	