retain the right to restrict further or close joint accounts if warranted to implement appropriate monetary policy objectives.

## III. Process for a Joint Account

The Board and the Reserve Banks will consider requests submitted to the Reserve Banks against the final guidelines when published.

As discussed above, the account agreement may place conditions on the private-sector arrangement, the agent, operator, or account holders regarding matters pertinent to the joint account, including, for example, limits on the level or volatility of account balances, requirements for information on projected balances or volatility of balances, or requirements related to compliance with risk management standards, including those within the PSR Policy.

## **IV. Request for Comment**

The Board requests comment on all aspects of the proposed guidelines, including whether the scope and application of the proposed guidelines are sufficiently clear and appropriate to achieve their intended purpose and other criteria or information that commenters believe may be relevant to evaluate a joint account request under the proposed guidelines. The Board further seeks comment specifically on the following aspects of the proposed guidelines:

- What information, if any, about the establishment of an individual joint account should be made public?
- If the Reserve Banks reserved the right to set limits on balances in joint accounts, to require information on projected balances or volatility of balances, or to restrict further or close joint accounts (as discussed in guideline six), how, if at all, would the possibility of such limits affect interest in establishing a joint account, or use of such an account once opened? Are there other types of restrictions or conditions that, while equally effective in attaining the same objectives, might be less burdensome to a private-sector arrangement if placed on joint accounts once in use?
- Are there additional criteria or information that may be relevant to evaluate joint account requests for U.S. depository institutions to provide services to foreign clearing and settlement arrangements?

Finally, the Board also seeks comment on whether the Board or the Reserve Banks should consider other steps or actions to facilitate settlement for private-sector arrangements in light of market participants' efforts to develop faster retail payment solutions.

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By order of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, December 19, 2016. **Robert deV. Frierson,** 

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## FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

[File No. 152 3105]

West-Herr Automotive Group, Inc.; Analysis of Proposed Consent Order 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. The attached Analysis to Aid Public Comment describes both the allegations in the draft complaint 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 January 17, 2017.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested parties may file a comment at

:// o online or on paper, by following the instructions in the Request for Comment part of the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section below. Write "In the Matter of West-Herr Automotive Group, Inc., File No. 152 3105—Consent Agreement" on your comment and file your comment online at ://

by following the instructions on the web-based form. If you prefer to file your comment on paper, write "In the Matter of West-Herr Automotive Group, Inc., File No. 152 3105—Consent Agreement" on your comment and on the envelope, and mail your comment to the following address: Federal Trade Commission, Office of the Secretary, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Suite CC-5610 (Annex D), Washington, DC 20580, or deliver your comment to the following address: Federal Trade Commission, Office of the Secretary, Constitution Center, 400 7th Street SW., 5th Floor, Suite 5610 (Annex D), Washington, DC 20024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Evan Zullow, (202) 326–2914, Attorney, Financial Practices Division, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20580.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to Section 6(f) of the Federal Trade Commission Act, 15 U.S.C. 46(f), and FTC Rule 2.34, 16 CFR 2.34, notice is hereby given that the above-captioned consent agreement containing 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 thirty (30) 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 December 16, 2016), on the World Wide Web at:

You can file a comment online or on paper. For the Commission to consider your comment, we must receive it on or before January 17, 2017. Write "In the Matter of West-Herr Automotive Group, Inc., File No. 152 3105—Consent Agreement" on your comment. Your comment—including your name and your state—will be placed on the public record of this proceeding, including, to the extent practicable, on the public Commission Web site, at ://

As a matter of discretion, the Commission tries to remove individuals' home contact information from comments before placing them on the Commission Web site.

Because your comment will be made public, you are solely responsible for making sure that your comment does not include any sensitive personal information, like anyone's Social Security number, date of birth, driver's license number or other state identification number or foreign country equivalent, passport number, financial account number, or credit or debit card number. You are also solely responsible for making sure that your comment does not include any sensitive health information, like medical records or other individually identifiable health information. In addition, do not include any "[t]rade secret or any commercial or financial information which . . . is privileged or confidential," as discussed in Section 6(f) of the FTC Act, 15 U.S.C. 46(f), and FTC Rule 4.10(a)(2), 16 CFR 4.10(a)(2). In particular, do not include competitively sensitive information such as costs, sales statistics, inventories, formulas, patterns, devices, manufacturing processes, or customer

names.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>In particular, the written request for confidential treatment that accompanies the comment must include the factual and legal basis for the request, and must identify the specific portions of the comment to be withheld from the public record.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Under Section 5 of the FTC Act, "it can be deceptive to tell only half the truth, and to omit the rest. This may occur where a seller fails to disclose qualifying information necessary to prevent one of his affirmative statements from creating a misleading impression."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In the Matters of General Motors Company, File No. 1523101; Jim Koons Management Company, File No. 1523104; Lithia Motors, Inc., File No. 1523102; CarMax, Inc., File No. 1423202; West-Herr Automotive Group, Inc., File No. 1523105; and Asbury Automotive Group, Inc., File No 1523103.

<sup>2</sup> Gordon Trowbridge, National Highway Traffic