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INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILING AN APPLICATION FOR A HOLDING COMPANY ACQUISITION

The governing authority for a holding company acquisition is Section 115 of the Banking Code of 1965, for 100% acquisition. Partial acquisitions are governed by Section 112 (i.e., a holding company acquiring a certain amount of shares of a bank that is not affiliated with the holding company).

Please submit the following:

Letter Application detailing the transaction.

Filing Fee of **\$5,000**, payable to the *Department of Banking and Securities*

Agreement & Plan of Merger/Acquisition

Proof of Publication of Advertisement to be placed in a newspaper of general circulation in county(ies) where holding companies (or banks) are headquartered. See sample.

A copy of the application/correspondence to Federal Reserve (or any other federal regulatory authority) re subject acquisition.

APPLICATION FOR A HOLDING COMPANY ACQUISITION

Notice to be Published in a Newspaper of General Circulation

NOTICE OF FILING AN APPLICATION

Notice is hereby given that on [Date], [Name of Applicant], with its principal place of business located at [Address, County, State], filed with the Pennsylvania Department of Banking and Securities, pursuant to the provisions of Section 115 of the Banking Code of 1965, as amended, an application for approval to acquire 100% of

[Name of Entity]

of [City, County, State]

and thereby indirectly acquire 100% of

[Name of Institution]

of [City, County, State].

All interested persons may file comments regarding this application, in writing, with the Pennsylvania Department of Banking and Securities, Corporate Applications Division, 17 North Second Street, Suite 1300, Harrisburg, PA 17101-2290.

In order to be considered, comments regarding this application must be received by the Department of Banking and Securities no later than thirty (30) days after the date that notice of the filing of this application is published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*. Publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* may or may not appear contemporaneously with this notice. Please check the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* Web site at www.pabulletin.com to determine the due date for filing comments.