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OCC ANNOUNCES SIX NEW ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS AND SIX TERMINATIONS

WASHINGTON, DC -- The Office of the Comptroller of the Currency today announced the following enforcement actions taken against national banks. The 12 actions released today include: four civil money penalties, one consent order, one prohibition, and six terminations of an existing enforcement action.

A list of enforcement actions previously disclosed and copies of the actual documents are available from the OCC's Communications Division by writing to:

Comptroller of the Currency, Communications Division (3-2), Washington, DC 20219.

Requests made by facsimile transmission should be sent to (202) 874-5263. Please include the identifying enforcement action number when placing an order. Enforcement actions are also listed monthly in OCC's Interpretations and Actions. Subscriptions to that publication are available from the OCC's Communications Division.

CIVIL MONEY PENALTIES, BY CONSENT No. Individual, Bank, City

Date

Connecticut

95-98 Joseph Mannello, Summit National Bank, Torrington 12/21/95 96-1 William Summa, Summit National Bank, Torrington 1/19/96

Ohio

95-99 K. Lucille Best, Malta National Bank, Malta 12/19/95

Texas

CONSENT ORDER

No. Individual, Bank, City,

Pennsylvania

94-211 The Luzerne National Bank, Luzerne 1/11/94

PROHIBITION, BY CONSENT

No. Individual, Bank, City,

Texas

95-100 J. Michael Doyle, First National Bank of Wolfe City (Failed), Wolfe City 12/21/95

TERMINATION OF ENFORCEMENT ACTION

No. Bank, City, Old EA#

California

96-2 FORMAL AGREEMENT, The Siam Commercial Bank (Federal Branch), Los Angeles, #94-58 1/11/96

Florida

96-3 CONSENT ORDER, Continental National Bank of Miami, Miami, #757 2/1/96

New York

96-4 CONSENT ORDER, Park Avenue Bank, N.A. New York, #94-204 1/17/96

North Carolina

96-5 FORMAL AGREEMENT, United National Bank Fayetteville, #93-901/31/96

Pennsylvania

96-6 CONSENT ORDER, Downingtown National Bank Downingtown, #532 2/1/96

96-7 CONSENT ORDER, The Luzerne National Bank Luzerne, #94-211 2/1/96

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