

## Press Release

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### Federal Reserve extends deadline for the submission of requests to testify at public meetings on the notice by Bank of America to acquire Countrywide Financial

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The Federal Reserve Board on Wednesday extended to April 15 the deadline for the submission of requests to testify at public meetings to be held next month in Los Angeles, California, and Chicago, Illinois, on the notice by Bank of America Corporation to acquire Countrywide Financial Corporation.

The purpose of these meetings is to collect information relating to factors the Board is required to consider under the Bank Holding Company Act.

The specific dates, times, and locations of the meetings are:

- Los Angeles--Monday, April 28, 2008, and Tuesday, April 29, 2008, beginning at 8:30 a.m. PDT, at the Los Angeles Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, 950 South Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, California.
- Chicago--Tuesday, April 22, 2008, beginning at 8:30 a.m. CDT, at the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois.

All persons wishing to testify at the public meeting to be held in Los Angeles must submit a written request to Scott Turner, Community Affairs Officer, Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, 101 Market Street, San Francisco, California 94105 (facsimile: 415/393-1920) no later than 5:00 p.m. PDT on April 15, 2008. All persons wishing to testify at the public meeting to be held in Chicago must submit a written request to Alicia Williams, Vice President, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60604 (facsimile: 312/913-2626) no later than 5:00 p.m. CDT on April 15, 2008.

The request to testify must include the following information: (i) identification of which meeting (and which day for the Los Angeles meeting) the participant wishes to attend; (ii) a brief statement of the nature of the expected testimony (including whether the testimony will support or oppose the proposed transaction or provide other comment on the proposal) and the estimated time required for the presentation; (iii) the address and telephone number (and e-mail address and facsimile number, if available) of the individual testifying; and (iv) identification of any special needs, such as individuals needing translation services, individuals with a physical disability who may need assistance, or individuals requiring visual aids for their presentation.

Copies of testimony may, but need not, be filed with the Presiding Officer before a participant's presentation.

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