FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF NEW YORK

Circular No. **10727** August 12, 1994

SECURITIES UNDERWRITING ACTIVITIES BY SECTION 20 SUBSIDIARIES OF BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Extension of Comment Period on Proposed Alternative Methods to Measure Compliance With the "Engaged Principally" Test of Section 20 of the Glass-Steagall Act

Comments Requested by September 9, 1994

To All Bank Holding Companies, Branches and Agencies of Foreign Banks, and Others Concerned, in the Second Federal Reserve District:

The following statement has been issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System:

The Federal Reserve Board has extended for 30 days its comment period on a proposal to provide an alternative to the current test used to measure whether a section 20 subsidiary is in compliance with the "engaged principally" criterion of section 20 of the Glass-Steagall Act.

The public now has until September 9, 1994, to submit comments on this proposal. Comments should refer to Docket Number R-0841. (59 *Federal Register* 35,516, July 12, 1994.)

The text of the proposal, which was published in the *Federal Register* of July 12, was sent to you with our Circular No. 10723, dated July 20, 1994. Comments may now be submitted until September 9, 1994, and may be sent to the Board of Governors, as specified in the notice, or to our Banking Applications Department.

WILLIAM J. MCDONOUGH, President.