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ST. LOUIS - The Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, acting pursuant to delegated authority for the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, today approved the application by Mark Twain Bancshares, Inc., St. Louis, Missouri, to acquire at least 90 percent of the voting shares of First City Bancshares, Inc. of Springfield, Missouri, Springfield, Missouri, thereby indirectly acquiring First City National Bank, Springfield, Missouri.

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