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FDIC APPROVES ASSUMPTION OF DEPOSITS OF BANK OF ST. CHARLES, ST. ROSE, LOUISIANA

The Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has approved the assumption of the deposits and secured liabilities of Bank of St. Charles, St. Rose, Louisiana, by First American Bank and Trust, Vacherie, Louisiana.

The failed bank's six offices will reopen on Friday, November 3, 1989, as branches of First American Bank and Trust, and its depositors automatically will become depositors of the assuming bank.

Bank of St. Charles, with total assets of \$67.7 million, was closed on Thursday, November 2, 1989, by Fred C. Dent, Louisiana Commissioner of Financial Institutions, and the FDIC was named receiver.

First American Bank and Trust will assume about \$65.2 million in 13,100 deposit accounts and will purchase approximately \$66.0 million of the failed bank's assets at a discount of \$15,671,000.

The Board of Directors approved the deposit assumption under its authority to do so whenever it determines that such a transaction will reduce the potential loss to the FDIC. The transaction will result in a lower cost to the FDIC than if the assets were held and liquidated in receivership. Additionally, because the assets and deposits will be administered by First American Bank and Trust, the failed bank's customers will have the benefit of continuous uninterrupted service.

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