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FDIC ANNOUNCES DEPOSIT ASSUMPTION OF AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK OF RIVERTON, RIVERTON, WYOMING

The Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation today announced that the deposit liabilities of American National Bank of Riverton, Riverton, Wyoming, have been assumed by First Wyoming Bank, National Association - Riverton, Riverton, Wyoming. The failed bank's sole office will reopen not later than Thursday, June 13, 1985, as First Wyoming Bank, National Association - Riverton, a newly-chartered subsidiary of First Wyoming Bancorporation, Cheyenne, Wyoming, and its depositors automatically will become depositors of the assuming bank, subject to approval by the appropriate court.

American National Bank of Riverton was closed on Tuesday, June 11, 1985, by H. Joe Selby, Acting Comptroller of the Currency, and the FDIC was named receiver. Mr. Selby said: "Over the past two years the bank experienced a substantial deterioration in the quality of its loan portfolio. The bank was unable to remedy its problems and losses finally exhausted the bank's capital, resulting in its insolvency."

First Wyoming Bank, National Association-Riverton will assume about \$36 million in 8,400 deposit accounts and has agreed to pay the FDIC a purchase premium of \$463,000. It also will purchase certain of the failed bank's loans and other assets for \$23 million. To facilitate the transaction, the FDIC will advance \$12.6 million to the assuming bank and will retain assets of the failed bank with a book value of about \$11 million.

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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 Board made such a finding in this case because of the premium paid by First Wyoming Bank, National Association-Riverton.

The FDIC expects to recover a substantial portion of its outlay through the liquidation of assets not transferred to the assuming bank. In this respect, the FDIC notes that its claim will have priority over the claims of shareholders of the closed bank.

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