



**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Company has duly caused this report to be signed in its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

FLEETBOSTON FINANCIAL CORPORATION

By: /s/ William C. Mutterperl

Name: William C. Mutterperl  
Title: Executive Vice President, General  
Counsel and Secretary

Dated: October 17, 2001