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AimBank is excited to announce it has agreed to acquire the banking operations of First State Bank of Miami with locations in Miami and Pampa, Texas. The acquisition is pending regulatory and shareholder approval with an expected closing date **during the early 2nd quarter of 2014.**

Scott Wade, Chairman of the Board of AimBank, and David Locke, Chairman of the Board of First State Bank of Miami commented about the potential acquisition.

Wade remarked that "AimBank is a West Texas community bank operating in the South Plains, Permian Basin, and Big Country regions of Texas. The Panhandle region is an important part of West Texas, and Pampa and Miami provide us a wonderful entry into the area. Both locations are a natural fit for AimBank because they are similar to other rural areas the bank currently services which include Levelland, Littlefield, and Snyder. They both have diversified agriculture, cattle and oilfield service company businesses which AimBank specializes in providing financial services to. Pampa and Miami expand our geographic footprint extremely well and will add approximately \$40 million in total assets to the footing of AimBank."

Locke remarked that "We know AimBank will continue their genuine hometown banking tradition and our employee and customer will be in good hands. **AimBank will retain all employees of the First State Bank**, allowing its customers to see the same faces that have provided the exceptional service for all our years." Wade continued with "AimBank has strong community roots and its concern is placing customer need first. We are committed to continued growth and expanded service and are very excited about entering the Pampa and Miami communities. This expansion is the first such move north into the Panhandle for AimBank and is expected to provide us a great opportunity."

Jeremy Ferrell, who serves as the Chief Operating Officer for AimBank, was born and raised in Pampa and is a graduate of Pampa High School. He stated that "the Panhandle is an area AimBank's considered entering for many years and I'm excited that we are expanding into my hometown with our first move. The timing of the acquisition is outstanding as I know Pampa is having great economic success."

AimBank is a full service community bank established in 1925 with \$440 million in assets and locations in Littlefield, Levelland, Lubbock, Wolfforth, Midland, Odessa, and Snyder, Texas. The banking locations combined with its fee-free ATM network at more than 500 Stripes convenience stores in Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma will provide First State Bank customers added convenience. AimBank has a legal lending limit in excess of \$8.5 million and takes great pride in lending to small businesses in the areas it serves. AimBank is rated one of the safest banks in the Nation.