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Joint federal agency actions

FFIEC issues revised information security booklet

The FFIEC members issued a revised Information Security booklet, which is part of the <u>FFIEC Information Technology</u> <u>Examination Handbook</u>. The revised booklet addresses the factors necessary to assess the level of security risks to a financial institution's information systems. The booklet also helps examiners evaluate the adequacy of the information security program's integration into overall risk management. The booklet describes effective information security program management, including the following phases of the life cycle of information security risk management: Risk identification; Risk measurement; Risk mitigation; and Risk monitoring and reporting.

Joint agencies report to Congress on bank activities and investments

Section 620 of the Dodd-Frank Act requires the federal banking agencies to conduct a study of the activities and investments that banking entities may engage in under state and federal law. In carrying out the study, the federal banking agencies are required to review and consider (i) the type of permissible activities and investments of banking entities; (ii) the risks, including financial, operational, managerial, or reputational, associated with or presented as a result of such activities or investments; and (iii) the risk mitigation activities undertaken by banking entities with regard to such risks. The Federal Reserve, FDIC, and OCC prepared a report based on that study. Each agency prepared a section of the report and reported its own conclusions.

2015 small business, small farm, and community development lending data available

The three federal banking agency members of the FFIEC with CRA responsibilities — the Fed, the FDIC, and the OCC announced the availability of <u>data</u> on small business, small farm, and community development lending reported by certain commercial banks and savings associations, pursuant to the CRA.

CFPB actions

HMDA final rule overview video

The CFPB posted a video on its YouTube channel entitled: <u>HMDA Final Rule Overview</u>. The video provides an overview of the HMDA final rule issued by the CFPB on October 15, 2015.

Comment: Grab some popcorn, this video is over an hour long. Additional resources to help you understand the new HMDA final rule can be found on the <u>CFPB's HMDA rule implementation page</u>.

CFPB releases report on student loan servicing complaints

The CFPB Ombudsman released a <u>report</u> finding consumers complain of servicing problems that make it difficult to get lower student loan payments tied to their income. The CFPB also published a prototype "<u>Fix It Form</u>" that servicers can use to improve the level of service they provide.

Comment: The CFPB also has the <u>Repay Student Debt tool</u>, which helps borrowers get unbiased tips on how to navigate student loan repayment, along with other sample letters they can send to their student loan servicers.

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New advisory board and council members announced

CFPB <u>appointed</u> new consumer experts from outside the federal government to the Consumer Advisory Board, Community Bank Advisory Council, Credit Union Advisory Council, and Academic Research Council. The four bodies provide advice to CFPB leadership on a broad range of consumer financial issues and emerging market trends.

CFPB monthly complaint snapshot focuses on bank account and service complaints

The CFPB released a <u>monthly complaint snapshot</u> highlighting consumer complaints about bank accounts and services. According to the CFPB, the report shows that consumers continue to experience problems managing their accounts. This month's report also highlights trends seen in complaints coming from Ohio. As of Aug. 1, 2016, the Bureau has handled approximately 954,400 total complaints across all products.

Comment: Consumers complained of trouble opening accounts because of consumer and credit reporting data used to screen them. Many of them were learning of this negative information for the first time when they attempted to open an account. Consumers also complained that overdrafts occurred because they were confused about the availability of funds they had deposited or were attempting to deposit. Check-hold policies were often blamed. Many reported error resolution procedures that were not prompt and lacked provisional credit for disputed transactions. The most complained about companies were: Bank of America, JPMorgan, Wells Fargo, and Citibank.

CFPB issues TRID guidance for settlement professionals

This CFPB designed an <u>online guide</u> to help settlement professionals navigate through the changes that are a part of the Know Before You Owe mortgage initiative.

CFPB releases new resources for financial education

CFPB <u>unveiled new resources</u> for financial educators including <u>Building Blocks to Help Youth Achieve Financial</u> <u>Capability</u>, a report that presents a new financial capability developmental model and makes recommendations for financial education. Based on the developmental framework described in the report, the Bureau also released a <u>personal finance</u> <u>pedagogy</u>, a teaching tool to enhance personal financial education in schools.

CFPB blog

What you need to know if you were harmed by Wells Fargo

<u>Cientos de miles de cuentas creadas en secreto por los empleados de Wells Fargo Bank resultan en una multa histórica de \$100 millones por parte del CFPB</u>

Hundreds of thousands of accounts secretly created by Wells Fargo Bank employees leads to historic \$100 million fine from the CFPB

Four strategies to help youth achieve financial capability

Did you take out student loans to attend ITT Tech? You have options

Four ways to support your community's fight against elder financial exploitation

CFPB announces 30 new Your Money, Your Goals partners to help low-income consumers

Trying to enroll in an income-driven repayment plan? Avoid #ApplicationAbyss with our student loan tips and resources The ABCs of money management for military kids

FDIC actions

FDIC updates video on ATR and QM rule

FDIC released <u>updated technical assistance videos on the Ability-to-Repay and Qualified Mortgages Rule</u>. The updated videos provide financial institution management, compliance officers, and staff with resources for a better understanding of the current requirements of the Ability-to-Repay and Qualified Mortgages Rule.

Comment: This video series is designed for community bank compliance officers, to help facilitate understanding of how to comply with these rules. The series begins with the Ability-to-Repay & Qualified Mortgages rule (ATR/QM rule) with a special focus on aspects of the ATR/QM rule of particular interest to community bankers. All of the videos are under 15 minutes in length.



Nearly all community banks' assessment rates decline

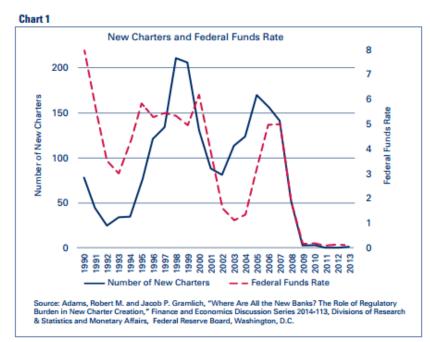
According to an FDIC <u>press release</u>, more than nine out of 10 small banks are likely to pay less for deposit insurance beginning in the current quarter. The reduction will occur because the reserve ratio reached 1.17 percent at the end of June. That's the highest level in more than eight years. The FDIC has included a <u>calculator</u>.

Comment: The reserve ratio reaching 1.17 is significant. As you may recall, it was negative following the financial crisis. Ninety-three percent of institutions with less than \$10 billion in assets are expect to see, on average, a one-third decline.

FDIC releases Summer 2016 Supervisory Insights

The FDIC issued "De Novo Banks: Economic Trends and Supervisory Framework," which appears in the <u>Summer 2016</u> issue of <u>Supervisory Insights</u>. The article provides an overview of trends in de novo formation; the process by which the FDIC reviews applications for deposit insurance; the supervisory process for de novo institutions; and steps the FDIC is taking to support de novo formations. Additionally, this issue of Supervisory Insights contains the article, "'Matters Requiring Board Attention' Underscore Evolving Risks in Banking." Finally, the "Regulatory and Supervisory Roundup" provides an overview of recently released regulations and supervisory guidance.

Comment: The FDIC says that the information in the de novo article is provided to reinforce the FDIC's desire to promote dialog with individuals and groups interested in forming a new bank. The FDIC says it is supportive of the formation of new financial institutions and welcomes applications for deposit insurance.



FDIC Consumer News - Summer 2016: Choosing and using the right account

<u>FDIC Consumer News</u> is produced quarterly by the FDIC Office of Communications in cooperation with other Divisions and Offices. It is intended to present information in a nontechnical way and is not intended to be a legal interpretation of FDIC or other government regulations and policies. It may be reprinted in whole or in part without permission—but credit must be given to FDIC Consumer News. In this edition:

Choosing and Using the Right Bank Account: Tips for Getting More Out of Your Checking and Savings

Depositing a Check with Your Smartphone or Tablet

When Small Charges on Your Credit or Debit Card Can Signal a Big Crime

The FDIC's Greatest Hits: Popular Topics for Readers

Preparing Your Finances for a Flood, Fire or Other Disaster: Having a Plan

Money Smart at 15: The FDIC's Free Financial Education Curriculum

Updates and Reminders



Comment: Having a bank account brings important benefits, including deposit insurance and access to a variety of financial services. The latest FDIC Consumer News features simple tips on how to choose and manage a checking or savings account wisely. The Summer 2016 edition also has articles on depositing a check using a smartphone or tablet, avoiding credit and debit card frauds, and preparing financially for a flood, fire or other disaster. This periodical can be read or reprinted for your customers at the link above. Additionally, it is available for your <u>Spanish speaking customers</u>. Paper copies and past issues are available by request: <u>publicinfo@fdic.gov</u>. In the past few months, FDIC Consumer News has covered many topics, including <u>cybersecurity</u>, <u>shopping for loans and credit cards</u>, <u>choosing and using bank rewards</u>, and <u>teaching young people about money</u>.

FDIC announces affordable mortgage resource for community banks

The <u>Affordable Mortgage Lending Guide</u>, <u>Part I</u> organizes information about single-family mortgage products from federal agencies and government sponsored enterprises and provides technical assistance for community banks on affordable mortgage credit options. Institutions can use this Guide as a one-stop resource to gain an overview of a variety of program resources, compare different products, and understand Community Reinvestment Act implications. The <u>Affordable Mortgage</u> <u>Lending Center</u> provides a program matrix, program descriptions, data, and fact sheets from the FDIC and other federal resources. Quick Links for each housing product enable institutions to identify the next steps for program participation.

OCC actions

OCC seeks nominations for advisory committees

The OCC is seeking nominations for members of its Minority Depository Institutions Advisory Committee (MDIAC) nominations and its Mutual Savings Association Advisory Committee (MSAAC). <u>Request for nominations</u>.

OCC issues Financial Literacy Update

The September/October 2016 edition of the OCC's *Financial Literacy Update*, a bimonthly e-newsletter that reports upcoming financial literacy events, new initiatives, and related resources, was released.

OCC releases 2017 supervision operating plan

The OCC's Committee on Bank Supervision (CBS) annually develop an <u>operating plan</u> that sets forth the agency's supervision priorities and objectives. The agency's fiscal year (FY) for 2017 begins October 1, 2016, and ends September 30, 2017. The FY 2017 operating plan outlines the OCC's bank supervision priorities by operating unit and aligns with "The OCC's Strategic Plan, Fiscal Years 2015–2019," annual strategic priorities, and the National Risk Committee risk priorities and actions. The operating plan guides the development of supervisory strategies for individual national banks and federal savings associations (collectively, banks). CBS managers and staff will use this plan to guide their supervisory priorities, planning, and resource allocations for FY 2017.

Comment: Midsize and Community Bank Supervision will focus on: credit underwriting, stress testing, strategic risk, operational risk, BSA/AML, consumer compliance, interest rate risk, ALLL, and horizontal risk assessment. Compliance and Community Affairs, a new operating unit, will focus on: risk assessment, policy guidance, technical assistance, industry outreach, and collaboration. Examinations of technology and other critical services will focus on: cybersecurity, enterprise risk management, third-party risk management, change management processes, productand service-specific risks.

Bank Accounting Advisory Series updated

The OCC released an <u>update to the Bank Accounting Advisory Series</u>. The BAAS covers a variety of topics and promotes consistent application of accounting standards among national banks and federal savings associations. This update includes recent answers to frequently asked questions from the industry and examiners covering areas such as contingencies, and fair value accounting.

Federal Reserve actions

Fed announces launch of Facebook page

The Fed created a <u>Facebook page</u>. Posts will include press releases, speeches, testimony, reports, educational materials, frequently asked questions, photos, and videos. With the launch of its Facebook page, the Board now shares information on five platforms including Twitter, YouTube, Flickr, and LinkedIn.

Fed releases holiday currency ordering schedule



For the <u>2016 holiday season</u>, the Federal Reserve Banks will process your holiday currency special requests during two separate ordering periods. The special ordering periods are as follows:

Friday, October 28 through Thursday, November 3 Friday, December 2 through Thursday, December 8

Fed announces Outlook Live Fair Lending Hot Topics webinar

The Federal Reserve announced that the next <u>Outlook Live Webinar</u>, on October 4, 2016, will be a discussion of fair lending issues and hot topics. During this session, representatives from six federal agencies will discuss a variety of emerging fair lending issues and hot topics, including:

CFPB UpdatesHMDA ValidationCompliance ManagementAuto LendingRedliningSpeakers at this event will represent the DOJ, CFPB, FDIC, OCC, Federal Reserve, and NCUA. Click here to register.

Other federal actions

Department of Defense Issues Interpretive Rule Under the Military Lending Act On Thursday, August 25, The Department of Defense (DoD) issued an Interpretive Rule under the Military Lending Act (MLA). The issuance provides guidance on certain questions the DoD received regarding compliance with the Final Rule, which becomes effective on October 3, 2016.

In issuing the Interpretive Rule, the DoD stated that it "...does not substantively change the [July 2015] regulation implementing the MLA, but rather merely states the Department's preexisting interpretations of an existing regulation" making it effective immediately upon publication.

A bank can use its own method to determine whether an applicant is a covered borrower under the rule, or it can use one of two safe-harbor methods: check the applicant's status in the Defense Manpower Data Center database, or check it against data obtained from one of the national consumer reporting agencies.

HUD and VA announce support for homeless veterans

HUD and the VA announced a second round of funding to help provide permanent homes to an estimated 108 veterans experiencing homelessness in seven states. The rental assistance announced is provided through the <u>HUD-Veterans Affairs</u> <u>Supportive Housing</u> Program which combines rental assistance from HUD with case management and clinical services provided by VA (see attached list of HUD's voucher awards below).

FHA announces resources to help consumers avoid foreclosure

The FHA announced new procedures to strengthen the process mortgage servicers use to help struggling families avoid foreclosure and remain in their homes. FHA is streamlining its loss mitigation protocols that servicers must use when evaluating and deploying 'home retention options,' foreclosure alternatives that allow delinquent borrowers to retain their home. <u>Read FHA's mortgagee letter</u>.

FHA's revised procedures streamline the process servicers use to engage borrowers, specifically when evaluating them for the

<u>FHA-Home Affordable Modification Program (FHA-HAMP)</u>. These changes will reduce the number of steps that a servicer and borrower must take to resolve a delinquency and enter into a loss mitigation home retention product. In addition, FHA is removing certain obstacles that will allow servicers greater flexibility for evaluating an unemployed borrower for a special forbearance agreement.

Comment: Specifically, FHA will:

- Require servicers to convert successful 3-month trial modifications into permanent modifications within 60 days instead of the average four-to-six months;
- Allow borrowers with three missed mortgage payments to qualify for a partial claim to bring their arrearages current versus the previous requirement for a minimum of four missed payments;
- End the traditional stand-alone Loan Modification option so struggling borrowers can access the FHA-HAMP option, with its greater payment relief, sooner; and



• Eliminate the required 12-monthterm for FHA's special forbearance option. This will allow servicers to offer this option to more unemployed households.

FHFA announces new refinance offering

The FHFA <u>announced</u> that Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, at FHFA's direction, will implement a new refinance offering aimed at borrowers with high loan-to-value (LTV) ratios. The new refinance offering will provide much-needed liquidity

for borrowers who are current on their mortgage but are unable to refinance through traditional programs because their LTV ratio exceeds the Enterprises' maximum limits.

Redesigned residential loan application

Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac <u>announced</u> the publication of the redesigned Uniform Residential Loan Application (URLA), the standardized form used by borrowers to apply for a mortgage loan. This is the first substantial revision made to the form in more than 20 years and the changes are designed to allow lenders to deliver an easier, more consumer-friendly loan application experience. The redesigned URLA form includes a reorganized layout, simplified terminology, and new data fields that capture necessary information in an easy-to-read format. Additionally, the GSEs worked together to create a common corresponding dataset, called the Uniform Loan Application Dataset to ensure consistency of data delivery.

HUD: Loans in native communities may qualify for CRA consideration

The September 2016 issue of <u>Community Developments Investments</u> spotlights HUD's Title VI Loan Guarantee Program, which provides an additional source of funding for Indian tribes receiving federal Indian Housing Block Grants for affordable housing activities. This Investments also explains how two banks have used the Title VI program—and how other banks can as well—to provide housing financing in Indian Country.

Comment: Bank activities in Indian Country may qualify for <u>CRA consideration</u>.

FinCEN advisory on email fraud schemes

FinCEN issued an <u>advisory</u> to help financial institutions guard against a growing number of e-mail fraud schemes in which criminals misappropriate funds by deceiving financial institutions and their customers into conducting wire transfers. This advisory also provides red flags—developed in consultation with the FBI and the U.S. Secret Service—that financial institutions may use to identify and prevent such e-mail fraud schemes.

Comment: This advisory should be shared with: Cybersecurity departments; Risk departments; Fraud prevention units; BSA/AML management; AML intelligence units; and AML analysts/investigators.

NACHA rule establishes third-party sender registration requirements

The Electronic Payments Association[®] announced that a <u>new rule</u> was approved that will require Originating Depository Financial Institutions (ODFIs) to identify and register their Third-Party Sender customers. The registration process will promote consistent customer due diligence among all ODFIs, and serve as a tool to support NACHA's continuing efforts to maintain ACH Network quality.

Comment: According to the press release: In the ACH Network, a Third-Party Sender is a processing intermediary between a financial institution and an end-user of ACH payments. The Third-Party Sender Registration Rule, which becomes effective Sept. 29, 2017, will require ODFIs to provide a limited set of initial, basic registration information, such as name of business and contact information, for each Third-Party Sender with which it maintains a relationship. ODFIs that do not maintain any Third-Party Sender relationships will be required to provide a statement to that effect.

Publications, articles, reports, studies, testimony & speeches

Fed report on charge-off and delinquency rates The Fed released reports on the charge-off and delinquency rates on loans and leases at commercial banks.

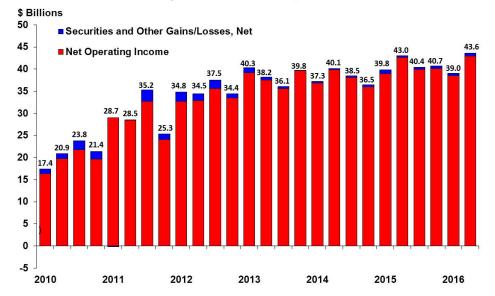
Second quarter financial results at FDIC-insured institutions

The <u>Quarterly Banking Profile</u> is a quarterly publication that provides the earliest comprehensive summary of financial results for all FDIC-insured institutions. <u>Press release</u>.

Comment: According to the press release, commercial banks and savings institutions insured by the FDIC reported aggregate net income of \$43.6 billion in the second quarter of 2016, up \$584 million (1.4 percent) from a year earlier.



The increase in earnings was mainly attributable to a \$5.2 billion (4.8 percent) increase in net interest income and a \$981 million decline in expenses for litigation reserves at a few large banks.



Quarterly Net Income, 2010 - 2016

FDIC Smart Money, Summer 2016

<u>Money Smart News</u>, Summer 2016, was released by the FDIC. This issue covers: enhancements to Money Smart for Small Business (including success stories); it's easier to join Money Smart alliance; tips on cybersecurity for bank customers; mobile banking and modernization of the payment system; and lending practices in financial education for postsecondary students.

FHFA reports mortgage interest rates fell in July

The <u>FHFA index</u> reflects that, nationally, interest rates on conventional purchase-money mortgages decreased from June to July, according to several indices of new mortgage contracts.

Fed chair Yellen speaks on the continuing role of monetary policy

Janet L. Yellen, Federal Reserve Board Chair, concluded <u>recent remarks</u> with: "Although fiscal policies and structural reforms can play an important role in strengthening the U.S. economy, my primary message today is that I expect monetary policy will continue to play a vital part in promoting a stable and healthy economy. New policy tools, which helped the Federal Reserve respond to the financial crisis and Great Recession, are likely to remain useful in dealing with future downturns. Additional tools may be needed and will be the subject of research and debate. But even if average interest rates remain lower than in the past, I believe that monetary policy will, under most conditions, be able to respond effectively."

FHFA releases housing prices for second quarter

U.S. house prices rose 1.2 percent in the second quarter of 2016 according to the FHFA House Price Index (HPI). House prices rose 5.6 percent from the second quarter of 2015 to the second quarter of 2016. FHFA's seasonally adjusted monthly index for June was up 0.2 percent from May. The HPI is calculated using home sales price information from mortgages sold to, or guaranteed by, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. FHFA has produced a video of highlights for this quarter.

Fed's Beige Book – September 7, 2016

<u>Reports</u> from the twelve Federal Reserve Districts suggest that national economic activity continued to expand at a modest pace on balance during the reporting period of July through late August. Most Districts reported a "modest" or "moderate" pace of overall growth. Contacts across the twelve Districts generally expect moderate economic growth in coming months. Overall consumer spending was little changed in most Districts, and auto sales declined somewhat but remained at high levels. Tourism activity was flat from the previous report but above year-earlier levels. Sales of nonfinancial services gained further momentum. Manufacturing activity rose slightly in most Districts. Activity in residential real estate markets grew at a moderate pace, but the pace of sales was constrained in a few Districts by shortages of available homes. Commercial real estate activity expanded further. Demand for business and consumer credit varied across Districts but appeared to expand at



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a moderate pace overall, with stable credit quality. Agricultural conditions were mixed, with price declines largely offsetting growing volumes. Overall demand for energy-related products and services weakened.

Labor market conditions remained tight in most Districts, with moderate payroll growth noted in general. Upward wage pressures increased further and were moderate on balance, with more rapid gains reported for workers with selected specialized skill sets. Price increases remained slight overall.

FDIC State Profiles

<u>FDIC State Profiles</u> are reformatted as a quarterly data sheet summation of banking and economic conditions in each state. To retrieve a state profile, select a state from either the map or list.

Comptroller Curry on innovation in lending

In <u>prepared remarks</u> delivered to the Marketplace Lending Policy Summit 2016, Comptroller of the Currency Thomas J. Curry, said that the OCC's "Innovation Framework Development Team is considering in their work to create a framework to enable the OCC to assess responsible innovation." Curry didn't share details of the framework, but said that it would be completed this fall and the final product would be consistent with eight principals (a description of those principals begins on page 6 of his remarks). With respect to chartering fintech companies, Comptroller Curry said, "If we at the OCC do decide to grant limited-purpose charters in this area, the institutions who receive the charters will be held to the same strict standards of safety, soundness, and fairness that other federally chartered institutions must meet."

Comment: Briefly, the eight principals are: 1. Support responsible innovation; 2. Foster a receptive culture at the OCC; 3. Capitalize on deep expertise at OCC; 4. Ensure fair access and treatment of customers; 5. Effective risk management and corporate governance; 6. Encourage banks to consider responsible innovation in strategic planning; 7. Ongoing dialogue with all stakeholders in the financial services community; 8. Collaboration with other regulators.

HUD/Census Bureau issue residential construction statistics

HUD and the Census Bureau jointly announced the following new residential construction statistics for July 2016.

Fed issues industrial production and capacity utilization numbers

Industrial production rose 0.7 percent in July after moving up 0.4 percent in June. The advance in July was the largest for the index since November 2014. Manufacturing output increased 0.5 percent in July for its largest gain since July 2015. The index for utilities rose 2.1 percent as a result of warmer-than-usual weather in July boosting demand for air conditioning. The output of mining moved up 0.7 percent; the index has increased modestly, on net, over the past three months after having fallen about 17 percent between December 2014 and April 2016. At 104.9 percent of its 2012 average, total industrial production in July was 0.5 percent lower than its year-earlier level. Capacity utilization for the industrial sector increased 0.5 percentage point in July to 75.9 percent, a rate that is 4.1 percentage points below its long-run (1972–2015) average. Industrial Production and Capacity Utilization – G.17.

FedFlash

<u>FedFlash</u> is your source for the latest Federal Reserve Financial Services operational news. Each bulletin keeps you informed of issues critical to your day-to-day operations, providing you with National and District updates regarding the Fed's products and services, processes, technical protocols and contact information. In this month's edition:

Account Services

• <u>Reminder - Account Services SCI into AMI</u> integration planned for early next month

Check/Check 21 Services

<u>Check Adjustments Tip: Checking the status</u>
 <u>of a Check Adjustment message</u>

FedACH[®] Services

Same Day ACH Phase 1 reminders

- September 23 implications for FedACH file ID modifiers
- <u>FedACH SameDay Service modifications and</u>
 <u>fees</u>
- <u>Revisions to FedACH Services Operating</u>
 <u>Circular 4</u>

FedCash[®] Services

• <u>2016 holiday currency special ordering</u> <u>information now available</u>



FedFocus

<u>FedFocus</u> is the source for the latest Federal Reserve Financial Services news. Each edition keeps you informed about hot topics in the industry, as well as provides insight into the value of Federal Reserve Financial Services. In this month's edition:

- You spoke, we listened: Federal Reserve Financial Services forms get a makeover
- Fed Facts: Keep current with the Fed's wide assortment of publications
- It's time to hit the books and focus on your FEDucation

Selected federal rules proposed

Proposed rules are included only when community banks may want to comment.

COMMENTS CLOSE

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED RULE

10.07.2016 Payday, Vehicle Title, and Certain High-Cost Installment Loans. The CFPB proposed to establish 12 CFR part 1041, which would contain regulations creating consumer protections for certain consumer credit products. The proposal generally would cover two categories of loans. First, the proposal generally would cover loans with a term of 45 days or less. Second, the proposal generally would cover loans with a term greater than 45 days, provided that they (1) have an all-in annual percentage rate greater than 36 percent; and (2) either are repaid directly from the consumer's account or income or are secured by the consumer's vehicle. For both categories of covered loans, the proposal would identify it as an abusive and unfair practice for a lender to make a covered loan without reasonably determining that the consumer has the ability to repay the loan. The proposal generally would require that, before making a covered loan, a lender must reasonably determine that the consumer has the ability to repay the loan. The proposal also would impose certain restrictions on making covered loans when a consumer has or recently had certain outstanding loans. The proposal would provide lenders with options to make covered loans without satisfying the ability-to-repay requirements, if those loans meet certain conditions. The proposal also would identify it as an unfair and abusive practice to attempt to withdraw payment from a consumer's account for a covered loan after two consecutive payment attempts have failed, unless the lender obtains the consumer's new and specific authorization to make further withdrawals from the account. The proposal would require lenders to provide certain notices to the consumer before attempting to withdraw payment for a covered loan from the consumer's account. The proposal would also prescribe processes and criteria for registration of information systems, and requirements for furnishing loan information to and obtaining consumer reports from those registered information systems. The CFPB is proposing to adopt official interpretations to the proposed regulation. Comments are due on or before October 7, 2016.

10.11.2016 The federal banking agencies are calling for comments on a proposed, new, and streamlined Call Report for small financial institutions. The proposal, from the FDIC, OCC, and Federal Reserve, would affect financial institutions with domestic offices only and less than \$1 billion in total assets, which is 90 percent of institutions required to file Call Reports. The proposal would reduce the Call Report from 85 to 61 pages and result in the removal of about 40% (950) of the data items. Some data items would be eliminated and reporting frequency would be reduced for others. Five schedules would be consolidated into a single new supplemental schedule for certain complex and specialized activities. FFIEC press release. According to the Federal Reserve entry, the deadline for comments is October 11, 2016

10.14.2016 The FDIC, the Federal Reserve, and the OCC are requesting comment on a proposed new streamlined Call Report for eligible small institutions. The agencies are proposing that the new FFIEC 051 Call Report for eligible small institutions and the proposed changes to the FFIEC 041 and FFIEC 031 Call Reports would take effect March 31, 2017. The agencies propose to define "eligible small institutions" as institutions with total assets less than \$1 billion and domestic offices only. Such institutions currently file the FFIEC 041 Call Report. Eligible small institutions would have the option to file the FFIEC 041 Call Report rather than the FFIEC 051. A small institution otherwise eligible to file the FFIEC 051 Call Report may be required to file the FFIEC 041 based on supervisory needs. FIL-53-2016

10.18.2016 The CFPB released a proposal to update its <u>TILA-RESPA Integrated Disclosure rule</u> to memorialize informal guidance and offer clarifications. Among the proposed changes are updates to the tolerance provisions for the total of payments, clarification that recording fees and transfer taxes may be charged in connecting with housing-assistance lending, an extension of the rules coverage to all cooperative units, and clarification about how a creditor may provide



separate disclosure forms to the consumer and seller. The proposal may be most notable for the issues it didn't address—technical error resolution and simultaneous issue of title policies. Comments will be accepted until October 18, 2016. <u>Federal Register entry</u>.

10.27.2016 <u>Examination Guidance for Third-Party Lending</u>. The proposed third-party lending guidance outlines the risks that may be associated with third-party lending as well as the expectations for a risk-management program, supervisory considerations, and examination procedures related to third-party lending.

COMMENTS CLOSED

08.22.2016 <u>Arbitration Agreements</u>. The CFPB proposed to establish 12 CFR part 1040, which would contain regulations governing two aspects of consumer finance dispute resolution. First, the proposed rule would prohibit covered providers of certain consumer financial products and services from using an agreement with a consumer that provides for arbitration of any future dispute between the parties to bar the consumer from filing or participating in a class action with respect to the covered consumer financial product or service. Second, the proposal would require a covered provider that is involved in an arbitration pursuant to a pre-dispute arbitration agreement to submit specified arbitral records to the CFPB. The CFPB proposes that the rulemaking would apply to certain consumer financial products and services. The CFPB is also proposing to adopt official interpretations to the proposed regulation.

09.01.2016 <u>FDIC adjustment of maximum CMPs</u>. This interim final rule adjusts the maximum limit for CMPs according to inflation as mandated by Congress in the 2015 Adjustment Act. The intended effect of annually adjusting maximum civil money penalties in accordance with changes in the Consumer Price Index is to minimize any distortion in the real value of those maximums due to inflation, thereby promoting a more consistent deterrent effect in the structure of CMPs. Other technical changes to 12 CFR part 308 are intended to improve the transparency of the regulation and to assist readers in quickly identifying the applicable CMP amounts.

09.06.2016 <u>Appraisals for Higher-Priced Mortgage Loans Exemption Threshold</u>. The OCC, the Federal Reserve and the CFPB published proposed rules amending the official interpretations for their regulations that implement a section of the Truth in Lending Act that establishes special appraisal requirements for HPMLs. The Agencies issued joint final rules implementing these requirements, effective January 18, 2014. The Agencies' rules exempted, among other loan types, transactions of \$25,000 or less, and required that this loan amount be adjusted annually based on any annual percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI–W). If there is no annual percentage increase in the CPI–W, the OCC, the Federal Reserve and the CFPB will not adjust this exemption threshold from the prior year. The proposal would memorialize this as well as the agencies' calculation method for determining the adjustment in years following a year in which there is no annual percentage increase in the CPI–W. Comments must be received by September 6, 2016.

Selected federal rules recently adopted

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EFFECTIVE DATE: SUMMARY OF FINAL RULE:

1 yr. from pub. <u>Mortgage Servicing Rules</u>. The CFPB updated its mortgage servicing rules and expanded foreclosure protections. The final rule provides protections when a mortgage is transferred between servicers. Mortgage servicers must now offer mitigation services more than once if a borrower brings their mortgage current, then again becomes delinquent. The rule provides additional protections to mortgagors who acquired the mortgage, often through death or divorce. The rules require servicers to provide periodic statements to borrowers in bankruptcy in certain circumstances. The statements must contain specific information tailored for bankruptcy and about loss mitigation options. The CFPB published a summary for consumers on its website. Servicers have a full year from the upcoming publication date (and for some changes 18 months) to implement the rules.

Selected federal rules - upcoming effective dates

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09.30.2016 Call Reports. As part of its community bank Call Report burden-reduction initiative, the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council (FFIEC) has approved a number of burden-reducing changes to the Consolidated Reports of Condition and Income (Call Report) as well as certain new and revised data items and instructional revisions. Subject to approval by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget, these Call Report revisions will take effect September 30, 2016, or March 31, 2017, depending on the change.

Comment: Institutions should review <u>FIL-44-2016</u> for further information about the Call Report revisions taking effect in September 2016 and March 2017.

10.03.2016 Limitations on Terms of Consumer Credit Extended to Service Members and Dependents. The Department of Defense issued a final rule amending the implementing regulations of the Military Lending Act of 2006. The final rule expands specific protections provided to service members and their families under the MLA and addresses a wider range of credit products than the DOD's previous regulation. **FDIC-supervised institutions and other creditors must comply with the rule for new covered transactions beginning October 3, 2016**. For credit extended in a new credit card account under an open-end consumer credit plan, compliance is required beginning October 3, 2017. <u>FIL-37-2015</u>

12.01.2016 Overtime Rule. In this Final Rule the Department updates the standard salary level and total annual compensation requirements to more effectively distinguish between overtime-eligible white collar employees and those who may be exempt, thereby making the exemption easier for employers and employees to understand and ensuring that the FLSA's intended overtime protections are fully implemented. The Department sets the standard salary level for exempt executive, administrative, professional, outside sales, and computer employees at the 40th percentile of weekly earnings of full-time salaried workers in the lowest-wage Census Region. The Department also permits employers to satisfy up to 10 percent of the standard salary requirement with nondiscretionary bonuses, incentive payments, and commissions, provided these forms of compensation are paid at least quarterly. The Department sets the total annual compensation requirement for an exempt Highly Compensated Employee (HCE) equal to the annualized weekly earnings of the 90th percentile of full-time salaried workers nationally. The Department also adds a provision to the regulations that automatically updates the standard salary level and HCE compensation requirements every three years by maintaining the earnings percentiles set in this Final Rule to prevent these thresholds from becoming outdated. Finally, the Department has not made any changes in this Final Rule to the duties tests for the EAP exemption.

12.24.2016 <u>Credit Risk Retention</u>. The OCC, Board, FDIC, Commission, FHFA, and HUD (the agencies) are adopting a joint final rule (the rule, or the final rule) to implement the credit risk retention requirements of section 15G of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as added by section 941 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the Act or Dodd-Frank Act). Section 15G generally requires the securitizer of asset-backed securities to retain not less than 5 percent of the credit risk of the assets collateralizing the asset-backed securities. Section 15G includes a variety of exemptions from these requirements, including an exemption for asset-backed securities that are collateralized exclusively by residential mortgages that qualify as ''qualified residential mortgages,'' as such term is defined by the agencies by rule. The final rule was effective February 23, 2015. Compliance with the rule with respect to asset-backed securities collateralized by residential mortgages is required beginning December 24, 2015. **Compliance with the rule with regard to all other classes of asset-backed securities is required beginning December 24, 2016**.

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Selected federal rules – recent effective dates

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08.30.2016 <u>Fed CMP inflation adjustments</u>. The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (the "Board") is issuing an interim final rule amending its rules of practice and procedure to adjust the amount of each civil monetary penalty ("CMP") provided by law within its jurisdiction to account for inflation as required by the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act Improvements Act of 2015.

08.01.2016 OCC CMP inflation adjustments. The OCC adopted an interim final rule amending its rules of practice and procedure for national banks and its rules of practice and procedure in adjudicatory proceedings for Federal savings associations to publish the maximum amount, adjusted for inflation, of each civil money penalty within its jurisdiction to administer. These actions are required under the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act of 1990, as amended by the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act Improvements Act of 2015. The OCC is accepting comments on the interim final rule through August 30, 2016.

08.01.2016 <u>FDIC adjustment of maximum CMPs</u>. This interim final rule adjusts the maximum limit for CMPs according to inflation as mandated by Congress in the 2015 Adjustment Act. The intended effect of annually adjusting maximum civil money penalties in accordance with changes in the Consumer Price Index is to minimize any distortion in the real value of those maximums due to inflation, thereby promoting a more consistent deterrent effect in the structure of CMPs. Other technical changes to 12 CFR part 308 are intended to improve the transparency of the regulation and to assist readers in quickly identifying the applicable CMP amounts. The FDIC is accepting comments on the interim final rule through September 1, 2016.

08.01.2016 FinCEN adjustment of maximum CMPs. FinCEN is amending the regulations under the Bank Secrecy Act to adjust the maximum amount or range, as set by statute, of certain civil monetary penalties within its jurisdiction to account for inflation. This action is being taken to implement the requirements of the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act of 1990, as further amended by the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act Improvements Act of 2015. FinCEN is accepting comments on the interim final rule through September 1, 2016.

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07.01.2016 The Secretary of Education amended the cash management regulations and other sections of the Student Assistance General Provisions regulations issued under the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended. These final regulations are intended to ensure that students have convenient access to their title IV, HEA program funds, do not incur unreasonable and uncommon financial account fees on their title IV funds, and are not led to believe they must open a particular financial account to receive their Federal student aid. In addition, the final regulations update other provisions in the cash management regulations and otherwise amend the Student Assistance General Provisions. The final regulations also clarify how previously passed coursework is treated for title IV eligibility purposes and streamline the requirements for converting clock hours to credit hours.

Comment: This rule amendment is meant to stop educational institutions from prioritizing the deposits of financial aid into institutional-sponsored accounts. Marketing material must be presented in a neutral way that enables the student to choose either his or her existing account or a campus account.



07.01.2016 <u>Registration of Securities Transfer Agents</u>. The FDIC issued a final rule requiring insured State savings associations and subsidiaries of such State savings associations that act as transfer agents for qualifying securities to register with the FDIC, similar to the registration requirements applicable to insured State nonmember banks and subsidiaries of such banks. Second, the final rule revises the definition of qualifying securities to reflect statutory changes to the '34 Act made by the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act.

07.01.2016 Assessments. Pursuant to the requirements of the Dodd-Frank Act and the FDIC's authority under section 7 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (FDI Act), the FDIC is imposing a surcharge on the quarterly assessments of insured depository institutions with total consolidated assets of \$10 billion or more. The surcharge will equal an annual rate of 4.5 basis points applied to the institution's assessment base (with certain adjustments). If the Deposit Insurance Fund (DIF or fund) reserve ratio reaches 1.15 percent before July 1, 2016, surcharges will begin July 1, 2016. If the reserve ratio has not reached 1.15 percent by that date, surcharges will begin the first day of the calendar quarter after the reserve ratio reaches 1.15 percent. (Lower regular quarterly deposit insurance assessment (regular assessment) rates will take effect the quarter after the reserve ratio reaches 1.15 percent.) Surcharges will continue through the quarter that the reserve ratio first reaches or exceeds 1.35 percent, but not later than December 31, 2018. The FDIC expects that surcharges will 18 commence in the second half of 2016 and that they should be sufficient to raise the DIF reserve ratio to 1.35 percent in approximately eight quarters, i.e., before the end of 2018. If the reserve ratio does not reach 1.35 percent by December 31, 2018 (provided it is at least 1.15 percent), the FDIC will impose a shortfall assessment on March 31, 2019, on insured depository institutions with total consolidated assets of \$10 billion or more. The FDIC will provide assessment credits (credits) to insured depository institutions with total consolidated assets of less than \$10 billion for the portion of their regular assessments that contribute to growth in the reserve ratio between 1.15 percent and 1.35 percent. The FDIC will apply the credits each quarter that the reserve ratio is at least 1.38 percent to offset the regular deposit insurance assessments of institutions with credits.

06.30.2016 Joint Agencies: Loans in Areas Having Special Flood Hazards A lender who doesn't qualify for the small lender exemption shall mail or deliver to the borrower no later than June 30 a notice in writing, or if the borrower agrees, electronically, informing the borrower of the option to escrow all premiums and fees for any required flood insurance and the method(s) by which the borrower may request escrow, using language similar to the model clause in appendix B. A lender with \geq \$1 billion in assets does not qualify for the exemption. This applies to any loan secured by residential improved real estate or a mobile home that is outstanding on January 1, 2016. Also, see January 1, 2016 above. For lenders that lose the exemption, see September 30, 2017 below.

03.31.2016 Operations in Rural Areas Under the Truth in Lending Act Interim Final Rule. This interim final rule amends certain provisions of Regulation Z in light of title LXXXIX of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act, entitled the Helping Expand Lending Practices in Rural Communities Act, Public Law 114–94. The amendments to Regulation Z concern two matters: The eligibility of certain small creditors that operate in rural or underserved areas for special provisions that permit the origination of balloon-payment qualified mortgages and balloon-payment high cost mortgages and for an exemption from the requirement to establish an escrow account for higher-priced mortgage loans and the determination of whether an area is rural for the purposes of Regulation Z. DATES: This final rule is effective on March 31, 2016. Comments may be submitted on or before April 25, 2016.

01.01.2016 Joint Agencies: Loans in Areas Having Special Flood Hazards Homeowner Flood Insurance Affordability Act of 2014 (HFIAA) relating to the escrowing of flood insurance payments and the exemption of certain detached structures from the mandatory flood insurance purchase requirement. The final rule also implements provisions in the Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012 (the Biggert-Waters Act) relating to the force placement of flood insurance. In accordance with HFIAA, the final rule requires regulated lending institutions to escrow flood insurance premiums and fees for loans secured by residential improved real estate or mobile homes that are made, increased, extended or renewed on or after January 1, 2016, unless the loan qualifies for a statutory exception. In addition, certain regulated lending institutions are exempt from this escrow requirement if they have total assets of less than \$1 billion. Further, the final rule requires institutions to provide borrowers of residential loans outstanding as of January 1, 2016, the option to escrow flood insurance premiums



and fees. The final rule includes new and revised sample notice forms and clauses concerning the escrow requirement and the option to escrow. The final rule includes a statutory exemption from the requirement to purchase flood insurance for a structure that is a part of a residential property if that structure is detached from the primary residence and does not also serve as a residence. However, under HFIAA, lenders may nevertheless require flood insurance on the detached structures to protect the collateral securing the mortgage. (Lenders with assets < \$1 billion, see June 30, 2016 and September 30, 2017.)

01.01.2016 <u>CFPB: Reg. Z Annual Threshold Adjustments (CARD ACT, HOEPA and ATR/QM)</u>: The CFPB is issued this final rule amending the regulatory text and official interpretations for Regulation Z. The CFPB is required to calculate annually the dollar amounts for several provisions in Reg. Z; this final rule reviews the dollar amounts for provisions implementing amendments to TILA under the CARD Act, HOEPA, and the Dodd-Frank Act. These amounts are adjusted, where appropriate, based on the annual percentage change reflected in the Consumer Price Index in effect on June 1, 2015. The minimum interest charge disclosure thresholds will remain unchanged in 2016

01.01.2016 <u>Amendments Relating to Small Creditors and Rural or Underserved Areas Under the Truth in Lending Act</u> (Regulation Z). The CFPB amended certain mortgage rules issued by the CFPB in 2013. The final rule revises the CFPB's regulatory definitions of small creditor, and rural and underserved areas, for purposes of certain special provisions and exemptions from various requirements provided to certain small creditors under the CFPB's mortgage rules.

01.01.2016 The OCC, the Board, and the FDIC <u>amended their CRA regulations</u> to adjust the asset-size thresholds used to define "small bank" or "small savings association" and "intermediate small bank" or "intermediate small savings association." As required by the CRA regulations, the adjustment to the threshold amount is based on the annual percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers. The agencies also propose to make technical edits to remove obsolete references to the OTS and update cross-references to regulations implementing certain Federal consumer financial laws in their CRA regulations.

01.01.2016 <u>Federal Reserve Bank Services</u>. The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Board) has approved the private sector adjustment factor (PSAF) for 2016 of \$13.1 million and the 2016 fee schedules for Federal Reserve priced services and electronic access. These actions were taken in accordance with the Monetary Control Act of 1980, which requires that, over the long run, fees for Federal Reserve priced services be established on the basis of all direct and indirect costs, including the PSAF.

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12.31.2015 <u>Cyber-related sanctions regulations</u>. OFAC issued regulations to implement <u>Executive Order 13694</u> of April 1, 2015 ("Blocking the Property of Certain Persons Engaging in Significant Malicious Cyber-Enabled Activities"). OFAC intends to supplement this part 578 with a more comprehensive set of regulations, which may include additional interpretive and definitional guidance and additional general licenses and statements of licensing policy.

12.24.2015 <u>Credit Risk Retention</u>. The OCC, Board, FDIC, Commission, FHFA, and HUD (the agencies) are adopting a joint final rule (the rule, or the final rule) to implement the credit risk retention requirements of section 15G of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as added by section 941 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the Act or Dodd-Frank Act). Section 15G generally requires the securitizer of assetbacked securities to retain not less than 5 percent of the credit risk of the assets collateralizing the asset-backed securities. Section 15G includes a variety of exemptions from these requirements, including an exemption for asset-backed securities that are collateralized exclusively by residential mortgages that qualify as "qualified residential mortgages," as such term is defined by the agencies by rule. The final rule was effective February 23, 2015. Compliance with the rule with respect to asset-backed securities collateralized by residential



mortgages is required beginning December 24, 2015. Compliance with the rule with regard to all other classes of asset-backed securities is required beginning December 24, 2016.

12.24.2015 <u>CFPB corrections to TRID rules.</u> The CFPB made technical corrections to Reg. Z and the Official Interpretations of Reg. Z. These corrections republish certain provisions of Reg. Z and the Official Interpretations that were inadvertently removed from or not incorporated into the CFRs by the TRID TILA-RESPA Final Rule. Specifically, this final rule makes the following corrections to reinsert existing regulatory text that was inadvertently deleted from Reg. Z and its commentary:

- Amends § 1026.22(a)(5) to restore subparagraphs (i) and (ii).
- Amends the commentary to § 1026.17 at paragraph 17(c)(1)-2 to restore subparagraphs i, ii, and iii.
- \circ Amends commentary paragraph 17(c)(1)-4 to restore subparagraphs i.A, and i.B.
- Amends commentary paragraph 17(c)(1)-10 to restore introductory text and subparagraphs iii, iv, and vi.
- \circ Amends commentary paragraph 17(c)(1)-11 to restore subparagraphs i, ii, iii, and iv.
- Amends commentary paragraph 17(c)(1)-12 to restore subparagraphs i, ii, and iii.
- \circ Amends commentary paragraph 17(c)(4)-1 to restore subparagraphs i and ii.
- Amends commentary paragraph 17(g)-1 to restore subparagraphs i and ii.
- Amends the commentary to § 1026.18 at paragraph 18(g)-4 to restore text to subparagraph i.

This rule also amends the commentary to appendix D to Reg. Z to add paragraph 7 that had been included in the TILA-RESPA Final Rule published in the Federal Register but that was inadvertently omitted from the commentary to appendix D in the CFR.

12.22.2015 The Federal Reserve <u>Amended Reg. D</u> (Reserve Requirements of Depository Institutions) to revise the rate of interest paid on balances maintained to satisfy reserve balance requirements ("IORR") and the rate of interest paid on excess balances ("IOER") maintained at Federal Reserve Banks by or on behalf of eligible institutions. The final amendments specify that IORR is 0.50 percent and IOER is 0.50 percent, a 0.25 percentage point increase from their prior levels. The amendments are intended to enhance the role of such rates of interest in moving the Federal funds rate into the target range established by the Federal Open Market Committee.

10.03.2015 <u>CFPB: Final integrated Mortgage Disclosures under the RESPA (Reg. X) and the Truth In Lending Act (Reg. Z)</u> Notice of final rule and official interpretations. The CFPB amended Reg. X and Reg. Z to establish new disclosure requirements and forms in Regulation Z for most closed-end consumer credit transactions secured by real property. In addition to combining the existing disclosure requirements and implementing new requirements imposed by the Dodd-Frank Act, the final rule provides extensive guidance regarding compliance with those requirements. <u>CFPB blog on the disclosure</u>.

10.03.2015 <u>CFPB: Amendments to the 2013 Integrated Mortgage Disclosures Rule under Reg. X and Reg. Z</u> and the Loan Originator Rule under Reg. Z (80 FR 8767) Notice of final rule and official interpretations. This rule amending the integrated mortgage rule extends the timing requirement for revised disclosures when consumers lock a rate or extend a rate lock after the Loan Estimate is provided and permits certain language related to construction loans for transactions involving new construction on the Loan Estimate. This rule also amends the 2013 Loan Originator Final Rule to provide for placement of the NMLSR ID on the integrated disclosures. Additionally, the CFPB made non-substantive corrections, including citation and cross-reference updates and wording changes for clarification purposes, to various provisions of Regulations X and Z as amended or adopted by the 2013 TILA-RESPA Final Rule. <u>CFPB blog on the disclosure.</u>

10.01.2015 Department of Defense: Limitations on Terms of Consumer Credit Extended to Service Members and Dependents. The Department of Defense amended its regulation that implements the Military Lending Act, herein referred to as the "MLA." Among other protections for Service members and their families, the MLA limits the amount of interest that a creditor may charge on "consumer credit" to a maximum annual percentage rate of 36 percent. The Department amends its regulation primarily for the purpose of extending the protections of the MLA to a broader range of closed-end and open-end credit products. Among other amendments, the Department modifies the provisions relating to the optional mechanism a creditor could use when assessing whether a



consumer is a "covered borrower," modifies the disclosures that a creditor must provide to a covered borrower, and implements the enforcement provisions of the MLA.

10.01.2015 Joint Agencies: Loans in Areas Having Special Flood Hazards The statutory force-placed insurance provision took effect upon the enactment of the Biggert-Waters Act on July 6, 2012. The statutory detached structure exemption took effect upon enactment of the HFIAA on March 21, 2014. The regulatory changes made by this final rule to incorporate these provisions are effective on October 1, 2015. See the final flood rule on 01.01.2016, below, for the statutory and escrow-related provisions.

08.01.2015 Joint Agencies: Loans in Areas Having Special Flood Hazards. The OCC, the Fed, the FDIC, the FCA, and the NCUA amended their regulations regarding loans in areas having special flood hazards to implement certain provisions of the Homeowner Flood Insurance Affordability Act of 2014, which amends some of the changes to the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 mandated by the Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012 (Biggert-Waters). The Agencies plan to address the private flood insurance provisions in Biggert-Waters in a separate rulemaking.

Specifically, the final rule:

- Requires the escrow of flood insurance payments on residential improved real estate securing a loan, consistent with the changes set forth in HFIAA. The final rule also incorporates an exemption in HFIAA for certain detached structures from the mandatory flood insurance purchase requirement.
- Implements the provisions of Biggert-Waters related to the force placement of flood insurance.
- Integrates the OCC's flood insurance regulations for national banks and Federal savings associations.

Common words, phrases, and acronyms

APOR	"Average Prime Offer Rates" are derived from average interest rates, points, and other pricing terms offered by a representative sample of creditors for mortgage transactions that have low-risk pricing characteristics.
ATM	Automated Teller Machine
CARD Act	<u>Credit Card</u> <u>Accountability</u> <u>Responsibility and</u> <u>Disclosure Act of 2009</u>
CFPB	Consumer Financial Protection Bureau
CFR	<u>Code of Federal</u> <u>Regulations</u> . Codification

	of rules and regulations of federal agencies.
CRA	Community <u>Reinvestment Act</u> . This Act is designed to encourage loans in all segments of communities.
CRE	Commercial Real Estate
CSBS	<u>Conference of State Bank</u> <u>Supervisors</u>
CTR	Currency Transaction Report. Filed for each deposit, withdrawal, exchange of currency that involves a transaction in currency of more than \$10,000.
Dodd-Frank Act	The Dodd–Frank Wall



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	Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act
DOJ	Department of Justice
FDIC	<u>Federal Deposit</u> <u>Insurance Corporation</u>
EFTA	Electronic Fund Transfer Act
EGRPRA	Economic Growth and Regulatory Paperwork Reduction Act of 1996
Federal bank regulatory agencies	FDIC, FRB, and OCC
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FEMA	<u>Federal Emergency</u> <u>Management Agency</u>
FFIEC	<u>Federal Financial</u> <u>Institutions Examination</u> <u>Council</u>
FHFA	Federal Housing Finance Agency
FHA	<u>Federal Housing</u> <u>Administration</u>
FinCEN	Financial Crime Enforcement Network
FR	Federal Register. U.S. government daily publication that contains proposed and final administrative regulations of federal agencies.
FRB (or Fed)	Federal Reserve Board

FSOC	Financial Stability Oversight Council
FTC	<u>Federal Trade</u> <u>Commission</u>
GAO	Government Accountability Office
HARP	Home Affordable Refinance Program
НАМР	Home Affordable Modification Program
HMDA	Home Mortgage Disclosure Act
НОЕРА	Home Ownership and Equity Protections Act of 1994
HPML	<u>Higher Priced Mortgage</u> Loan
HUD	<u>U.S. Department of</u> <u>Housing and Urban</u> <u>Development</u>
IRS	Internal Revenue Service
MLO	Mortgage Loan Originator
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
NFIP	National Flood Insurance Program. U.S. government program to allow the purchase of flood insurance from the government.
NMLS	National Mortgage Licensing System



OCC	Office of the Comptroller of the Currency
OFAC	Office of Foreign Asset Control
OREO	Other Real Estate Owned
QRM	Qualified Residential Mortgage
Reg.	Abbreviation for "Regulation" – A federal regulation. These are found in the CFR.
Reg. B	Equal Credit Opportunity
Reg. C	<u>Home Mortgage</u> <u>Disclosure</u>
Reg. DD	Truth in Savings
Reg. E	Electronic Fund Transfers
Reg. G	S.A.F.E. Mortgage Licensing Act
Reg. P	Privacy of Consumer Financial Information
Reg. X	Real Estate Settlement

	Procedures Act
Reg. Z	Truth in Lending
RESPA	Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act
SAR	Suspicious Activity Report – Report financial institutions file with the U.S. government (FinCEN) regarding activity that may be criminal in nature.
SDN	Specially Designated National
TILA	Truth in Lending Act
TIN	Tax Identification Number
TRID	TILA/RESPA Integrated Disclosure
Treasury	<u>U.S. Department of</u> <u>Treasury</u>

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10.03.2016 Limitations on Terms of Consumer Credit Extended to Service Members and Dependents.⁵ The Department of Defense issued a final rule amending the implementing regulations of the Military Lending Act of 2006. The final rule expands specific protections provided to service members and their families under the MLA and addresses a wider range of credit products than the DOD's previous regulation. **FDIC-supervised institutions and other creditors must comply with the rule for new covered transactions beginning October 3, 2016**. For credit extended in a new credit card account under an open-end consumer credit plan, compliance is required beginning October 3, 2017. <u>FIL-37-2015</u>⁶

7.11.2016 FinCEN issued <u>final rules</u>⁷ under the Bank Secrecy Act clarifying and strengthening customer due diligence requirements for: Banks; brokers or dealers in securities; mutual funds; and futures commission merchants and introducing brokers in commodities. The rules contain explicit customer due diligence requirements and include a new requirement to identify and verify the identity of beneficial owners of legal entity customers, subject to certain exclusions and exemptions.



07.01.2016 The Secretary of Education amended the cash management regulations and other sections of the Student Assistance General Provisions regulations issued under the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended. These final regulations are intended to ensure that students have convenient access to their title IV, HEA program funds, do not incur unreasonable and uncommon financial account fees on their title IV funds, and are not led to believe they must open a particular financial account to receive their Federal student aid. In addition, the final regulations update other provisions in the cash management regulations and otherwise amend the Student Assistance General Provisions. The final regulations also clarify how previously passed coursework is treated for title IV eligibility purposes and streamline the requirements for converting clock hours to credit hours.

Comment: This rule amendment is meant to stop educational institutions from prioritizing the deposits of financial aid into institutional-sponsored accounts. Marketing material must be presented in a neutral way that enables the student to choose either his or her existing account or a campus account

07.01.2016 <u>Registration of Securities Transfer Agents</u>.⁸ The FDIC issued a final rule requiring insured State savings associations and subsidiaries of such State savings associations that act as transfer agents for qualifying securities to register with the FDIC, similar to the registration requirements applicable to insured State nonmember banks and subsidiaries of such banks. Second, the final rule revises the definition of qualifying securities to reflect statutory changes to the '34 Act made by the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act.

Assessments.⁹ Pursuant to the requirements of the Dodd-Frank Act and the FDIC's authority under section 7 07.01.2016 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (FDI Act), the FDIC is imposing a surcharge on the quarterly assessments of insured depository institutions with total consolidated assets of \$10 billion or more. The surcharge will equal an annual rate of 4.5 basis points applied to the institution's assessment base (with certain adjustments). If the Deposit Insurance Fund (DIF or fund) reserve ratio reaches 1.15 percent before July 1, 2016, surcharges will begin July 1, 2016. If the reserve ratio has not reached 1.15 percent by that date, surcharges will begin the first day of the calendar quarter after the reserve ratio reaches 1.15 percent. (Lower regular quarterly deposit insurance assessment (regular assessment) rates will take effect the quarter after the reserve ratio reaches 1.15 percent.) Surcharges will continue through the quarter that the reserve ratio first reaches or exceeds 1.35 percent, but not later than December 31, 2018. The FDIC expects that surcharges will 18 commence in the second half of 2016 and that they should be sufficient to raise the DIF reserve ratio to 1.35 percent in approximately eight quarters, i.e., before the end of 2018. If the reserve ratio does not reach 1.35 percent by December 31, 2018 (provided it is at least 1.15 percent), the FDIC will impose a shortfall assessment on March 31, 2019, on insured depository institutions with total consolidated assets of \$10 billion or more. The FDIC will provide assessment credits (credits) to insured depository institutions with total consolidated assets of less than \$10 billion for the portion of their regular assessments that contribute to growth in the reserve ratio between 1.15 percent and 1.35 percent. The FDIC will apply the credits each quarter that the reserve ratio is at least 1.38 percent to offset the regular deposit insurance assessments of institutions with credits.

01.01.2016 Joint Agencies: Loans in Areas Having Special Flood Hazards¹⁰ Homeowner Flood Insurance Affordability Act of 2014 (HFIAA) relating to the escrowing of flood insurance payments and the exemption of certain detached structures from the mandatory flood insurance purchase requirement. The final rule also implements provisions in the Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012 (the Biggert-Waters Act) relating to the force placement of flood insurance. In accordance with HFIAA, the final rule requires regulated lending institutions to escrow flood insurance premiums and fees for loans secured by residential improved real estate or mobile homes that are made, increased, extended or renewed on or after January 1, 2016, unless the loan qualifies for a statutory exception. In addition, certain regulated lending institutions are exempt from this escrow requirement if they have total assets of less than \$1 billion. Further, the final rule requires institutions to provide borrowers of residential loans outstanding as of January 1, 2016, the option to escrow flood insurance premiums and fees. The final rule includes new and revised sample notice forms and clauses concerning the escrow requirement and the option to escrow. The final rule includes a statutory exemption from the requirement to purchase flood insurance for a structure that is a part of a residential property if that structure is detached from the primary residence and does not also serve as a residence. However, under HFIAA, lenders may nevertheless require flood insurance on the detached structures to protect the collateral securing the mortgage.

01.01.2016 <u>CFPB: Reg. Z Annual Threshold Adjustments (CARD ACT, HOEPA and ATR/QM)</u>:¹¹ The CFPB issued this final rule amending the regulatory text and official interpretations for Regulation Z. The CFPB is required to calculate annually the dollar amounts for several provisions in Reg. Z; this final rule reviews the dollar amounts for provisions



implementing amendments to TILA under the CARD Act, HOEPA, and the Dodd-Frank Act. These amounts are adjusted, where appropriate, based on the annual percentage change reflected in the Consumer Price Index in effect on June 1, 2015. The minimum interest charge disclosure thresholds will remain unchanged in 2016

01.01.2016 <u>Amendments Relating to Small Creditors and Rural or Underserved Areas Under the Truth in Lending Act</u> (Regulation Z).¹² The CFPB amended certain mortgage rules issued by the Bureau in 2013. The final rule¹³ revises the Bureau's regulatory definitions of small creditor, and rural and underserved areas, for purposes of certain special provisions and exemptions from various requirements provided to certain small creditors under the Bureau's mortgage rules.

12.31.2015 <u>Cyber-related sanctions regulations</u>.¹⁴ OFAC issued regulations to implement <u>Executive Order 13694</u>¹⁵ of April 1, 2015 ("Blocking the Property of Certain Persons Engaging in Significant Malicious Cyber-Enabled Activities"). OFAC intends to supplement this part 578 with a more comprehensive set of regulations, which may include additional interpretive and definitional guidance and additional general licenses and statements of licensing policy.

12.24.2015 <u>Credit Risk Retention</u>. The OCC, Board, FDIC, Commission, FHFA, and HUD (the agencies) are adopting a joint final rule (the rule, or the final rule) to implement the credit risk retention requirements of section 15G of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as added by section 941 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the Act or Dodd-Frank Act). Section 15G generally requires the securitizer of asset-backed securities to retain not less than 5 percent of the credit risk of the assets collateralizing the asset-backed securities. Section 15G includes a variety of exemptions from these requirements, including an exemption for asset-backed securities that are collateralized exclusively by residential mortgages that qualify as "qualified residential mortgages," as such term is defined by the agencies by rule. The final rule was effective February 23, 2015. **Compliance with the rule with respect to asset-backed securities collateralized by residential mortgages is required beginning December 24, 2015**. Compliance with the rule with regard to all other classes of asset-backed securities is required beginning December 24, 2016.

12.22.2015 The Federal Reserve <u>Amended Reg. D</u>¹⁶ (Reserve Requirements of Depository Institutions) to revise the rate of interest paid on balances maintained to satisfy reserve balance requirements ("IORR") and the rate of interest paid on excess balances ("IOER") maintained at Federal Reserve Banks by or on behalf of eligible institutions. The final amendments specify that IORR is 0.50 percent and IOER is 0.50 percent, a 0.25 percentage point increase from their prior levels. The amendments are intended to enhance the role of such rates of interest in moving the Federal funds rate into the target range established by the Federal Open Market Committee.

10.03.2015 <u>CFPB: Final integrated Mortgage Disclosures under the RESPA (Reg. X) and the Truth In Lending Act</u> (Reg. Z)¹⁷ Notice of final rule and official interpretations. The CFPB amended Reg. X and Reg. Z to establish new disclosure requirements and forms in Regulation Z for most closed-end consumer credit transactions secured by real property. In addition to combining the existing disclosure requirements and implementing new requirements imposed by the Dodd-Frank Act, the final rule provides extensive guidance regarding compliance with those requirements. <u>CFPB blog on</u> <u>the disclosure</u>.

10.03.2015 <u>CFPB: Amendments to the 2013 Integrated Mortgage Disclosures Rule under Reg. X and Reg. Z and the</u> <u>Loan Originator Rule under Reg. Z¹⁸ (80 FR 8767¹⁹)</u> Notice of final rule and official interpretations. This rule amending the integrated mortgage rule extends the timing requirement for revised disclosures when consumers lock a rate or extend a rate lock after the Loan Estimate is provided and permits certain language related to construction loans for transactions involving new construction on the Loan Estimate. This rule also amends the 2013 Loan Originator Final Rule to provide for placement of the NMLSR ID on the integrated disclosures. Additionally, the CFPB made non-substantive corrections, including citation and cross-reference updates and wording changes for clarification purposes, to various provisions of Regulations X and Z as amended or adopted by the 2013 TILA-RESPA Final Rule. <u>CFPB blog on the disclosure</u>.

10.01.2015 Department of Defense: Limitations on Terms of Consumer Credit Extended to Service Members and Dependents.²⁰ The Department of Defense amended its regulation that implements the Military Lending Act, herein referred to as the "MLA." Among other protections for Service members and their families, the MLA limits the amount of interest that a creditor may charge on "consumer credit" to a maximum annual percentage rate of 36 percent. The Department amends its regulation primarily for the purpose of extending the protections of the MLA to a broader range of closed-end and open-end credit products. Among other amendments, the Department modifies the provisions relating to the optional mechanism a creditor could use when assessing whether a consumer is a "covered borrower," modifies the disclosures that a creditor must provide to a covered borrower, and implements the enforcement provisions of the MLA.



10.01.2015 Joint Agencies: Loans in Areas Having Special Flood Hazards²¹ The statutory force-placed insurance provision took effect upon the enactment of the Biggert-Waters Act on July 6, 2012. The statutory detached structure exemption took effect upon enactment of the HFIAA on March 21, 2014. The regulatory changes made by this final rule to incorporate these provisions are effective on October 1, 2015. See the final flood rule on 01.01.2016, below, for the statutory and escrow-related provisions.

08.01.2015 CFPB: Final integrated Mortgage Disclosures under the RESPA (Reg. X) and the Truth In Lending Act (Reg. Z)²² Notice of final rule and official interpretations. The CFPB amended Reg. X and Reg. Z to establish new disclosure requirements and forms in Regulation Z for most closed-end consumer credit transactions secured by real property. In addition to combining the existing disclosure requirements and implementing new requirements imposed by the Dodd-Frank Act, the final rule provides extensive guidance regarding compliance with those requirements. <u>CFPB blog on the disclosure</u>.

08.01.2015 CFPB: Amendments to the 2013 Integrated Mortgage Disclosures Rule under Reg. X and Reg. Z and the Loan Originator Rule under Reg. Z²³ (80 FR 8767²⁴) Notice of final rule and official interpretations. This rule amending the integrated mortgage rule extends the timing requirement for revised disclosures when consumers lock a rate or extend a rate lock after the Loan Estimate is provided and permits certain language related to construction loans for transactions involving new construction on the Loan Estimate. This rule also amends the 2013 Loan Originator Final Rule to provide for placement of the NMLSR ID on the integrated disclosures. Additionally, the CFPB made non-substantive corrections, including citation and cross-reference updates and wording changes for clarification purposes, to various provisions of Regulations X and Z as amended or adopted by the 2013 TILA-RESPA Final Rule. CFPB blog on the disclosure.

05.01.2015 The Board adopted <u>final amendments²⁵</u> to the Small Bank Holding Company Policy Statement (Regulation Y, Appendix C) (Policy Statement) that: (i) raise from \$500 million to \$1 billion the asset threshold to qualify for the Policy Statement; and (ii) expand the scope of companies eligible under the Policy Statement to include savings and loan holding companies. The Board is also adopting final conforming revisions to Regulation Y and Regulation LL, the Board's regulations governing the operations and activities of bank holding companies and savings and loan holding companies, respectively, and Regulation Q, the Board's regulatory capital rules. Specifically, the Proposed Rule would allow bank holding companies and savings and loan holding companies with less than \$1 billion in total consolidated assets to qualify under the Policy Statement, provided the holding companies also comply with three qualitative requirements (Qualitative Requirements). Previously, only bank holding companies with less than \$500 million in total consolidated assets that complied with the Qualitative Requirements could qualify under the Policy Statement. The Board issued the Policy Statement in 1980 to facilitate the transfer of ownership of small community-based banks in a manner consistent with bank safety and soundness. The Board adopted the Policy Statement to permit the formation and expansion of small bank holding companies with debt levels that are higher than typically permitted for larger bank holding companies.

02.23.2015 <u>Credit risk retention.</u>²⁶ The OCC, Board, FDIC, Commission, FHFA, and HUD adopted a joint final rule to implement the credit risk retention requirements of Section 15 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as added by section 941 of the Dodd-Frank Act. Section 15G generally requires the securitizer of asset-backed securities to retain not less than 5 percent of the credit risk of the assets collateralizing the asset-backed securities. Section 15G includes a variety of exemptions from these requirements, including an exemption for asset-backed securities that are collateralized exclusively by residential mortgages that qualify as "qualified residential mortgages," as such term is defined by the agencies by rule.

01.01.2015 <u>Reg. Z annual threshold adjustments</u>²⁷. The CFPB issued a final rule²⁸ amending the regulatory text and official interpretations for Regulation Z. The CFPB must calculate annually the dollar amounts for several provisions in Regulation Z. This final rule reviews the dollar amounts for provisions implementing amendments to TILA under the CARD Act, HOEPA, and the Dodd-Frank Act.

01.01.2015 <u>Basel III</u>.²⁹ The FDIC has issued an interim final rule that revises the existing capital rules to incorporate certain revisions to the Basel capital framework, including Basel III and other elements. The interim final rule strengthens the definition of regulatory capital, increases risk-based capital requirements, and makes selected changes to the calculation of risk-weighted assets. Basel III Framework is effective 1/1/2014 for large, internationally active insured depository institutions and is effective 1/1/2015 for all other insured depository institutions, subject to a transition period. Standardized Approach is effective 1/1/2015 for all insured depository institutions Applicability: The rule applies to all FDIC-supervised banks and savings associations. Publication Reference: FIL-31-2013 dated 7/9/2013. Also See: New Capital Rule-



Community Bank Guide attached to FIL-13-2013 Informational video and expanded summary on the interim final rule at: www.fdic.gov/regulations/capital. FDIC Press Release PR-60-2013 dated 7/9/2013

11.30.2014 Servicemembers Civil Relief Act Notice Disclosure, <u>Form HUD-92070</u>³⁰, expires. This form is required to notify homeowners in default of their mortgage of the foreclosure rights of servicemembers and their dependents under SCRA. Presumably, a new form will be available in time.

11.17.2014 Remittance Rule. The CFPB amended subpart B of Regulation E, which implements the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and the official interpretation to the regulation (Remittance Rule). This <u>final rule</u>³¹ extends a temporary provision that permits insured institutions to estimate certain pricing disclosures pursuant to section 1073 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act. Absent further action by the Bureau, that exception would have expired on July 21, 2015. Based on a determination that the termination of the exception would negatively affect the ability of insured institutions to send remittance transfers, the Bureau is extending the temporary exception by five years from July 21, 2015, to July 21, 2020. The Bureau is also making several clarifications and technical corrections to the regulation and commentary.

11.10.2014 CFPB <u>finalized a rule³²</u> to allow financial institutions to use an alternative delivery method to provide annual privacy notices through posting the annual notices on their websites if they meet certain conditions. Specifically, financial institutions may use the alternative delivery method for annual privacy notices if:

- no opt-out rights are triggered by the financial institution's information sharing practices under GLBA or FCRA section 603, and opt-out notices required by FCRA section 624 have previously been provided, if applicable, or the annual privacy notice is not the only notice provided to satisfy those requirements;
- the information included in the privacy notice has not changed since the customer received the previous notice; and
- o the financial institution uses the model form provided in Regulation P as its annual privacy notice

11.03.2014 The CFPB <u>amended</u>³³ certain mortgage rules issued in 2013. The final rule provides an alternative small servicer definition for nonprofit entities that meet certain requirements and amends the existing exemption from the ability-to-repay rule for nonprofit entities that meet certain requirements. The final rule also provides a limited, post-consummation cure mechanism for loans that exceed the points and fees limit for qualified mortgages, but that meet the other requirements for being a qualified mortgage at consummation.

07.01.2014 Foreign Tax Compliance Act. FATCA targets noncompliance by U.S. citizens of tax obligations using foreign accounts. FATCA seeks information on accounts held in other countries by U.S. taxpayers. Governments can either permit their Foreign Financial Institutions to entire into agreements with the IRS to provide information or they can enter into one of two alternative Model Intergovernmental Agreements with the U.S. Treasury's FATCA page³⁴. List of FATCA agreements in effect.³⁵

04.01.2014 OCC, Fed, FDIC, and SEC: Prohibitions and Restrictions on Proprietary Trading and Certain Interests in, and Relationships with, Hedge Funds and Private Equity Funds (the Volcker Rule) ³⁶ The Agencies adopted a rule that would implement section 13 of the BHC Act, which was added by section 619 of the Dodd-Frank Act." Section 13 contains certain prohibitions and restrictions on the ability of a banking entity and nonbank financial company supervised by the Board to engage in proprietary trading and have certain interests in, or relationships with, a hedge fund or private equity fund. Statement by Chairman Ben S. Bernanke.Statement by Governor Daniel K. Tarullo. Final Rule - Preamble (7.2 MB PDF). Fact Sheet (PDF). Community Bank Guide (PDF).

03.31.2014 <u>Basel III Conforming Amendments Related to the Cross-References, Subordinated Debt, and Limits Based</u> on Regulatory Capital³⁷ The OCC issued an interim final rule with request for comments (final rule) that makes technical and conforming amendments to its regulations governing national banks and federal savings associations. The final rule amends various regulations in order to make those regulations consistent with the recently adopted Basel III Capital Framework. The Basel III final rule revised the OCC's regulatory capital rules, adding a new common equity tier 1 requirement, revising the definitions of tier 1 and tier 2 capital, and integrating federal savings associations into 12 CFR part 3 and 12 CFR part 6 (Prompt Corrective Action). The final rule makes technical, clarifying, and conforming amendments to the OCC's rules, by providing cross-references to new capital rules, where necessary, and deleting obsolete references. The final rule also makes changes to subordinated debt rules to clarify the requirements subordinated debt must meet and the procedures required to issue and redeem subordinated debt. EFFECTIVE DATE: March 31, 2014. Comments must be received by March 31, 2014.



01.18.2014 <u>Federal Banking Regulators: Appraisals for Higher-Priced Mortgage Loans – Supplemental Final Rule³⁸</u> Alternative provisions regarding manufactured home loans are effective July 18, 2015, as indicated in the Supplementary Information, regulation text and Official Staff Commentary.

01.18.2014 CFPB: Disclosure and Delivery Requirements for Copies of Appraisals and Other Written Valuations Under ECOA/Regulation B³⁹

o1.18.2014 CFPB, FRB, FDIC, FHFA, NCUA, and OCC: <u>Appraisals for Higher-Priced Mortgage Loans</u>⁴⁰

01.13.2014 SEC: Registration of Municipal Advisors⁴¹ The SEC adopted new Rules 15Ba1-1 through 15Ba1-8, new Rule 15Bc4-1, and new Forms MA, MA-I, MA-W, and MA-NR under the Exchange Act. These rules and forms are designed to give effect to provisions of Title IX of the Dodd-Frank Act that, among other things, require the Commission to establish a registration regime for municipal advisors and impose certain record-keeping requirements on such advisors.

01.10.2014 <u>Homeownership Counseling Organizations Lists Interpretive Rule⁴²</u> This rule describes data instructions for lenders to use in complying with the requirement under the High-Cost Mortgage and Homeownership Counseling Amendments to the Truth in Lending Act (Regulation Z) and Homeownership Counseling Amendments to RESPA Final Rule to provide a homeownership counseling list using data made available by the CFPB or HUD.

01.10.2014 <u>HUD: Qualified Mortgage Definition for HUD Insured and Guaranteed Single Family Mortgages</u>⁴³ Through this final rule, HUD establishes a definition of "qualified mortgage" for the single family residential loans that HUD insures, guarantees, or administers that aligns with the statutory ability-to-repay criteria of the TILA and the regulatory criteria of the definition of "qualified mortgage" promulgated by the CFPB).

01.10.2014 <u>CFPB: Amendments to the 2013 Mortgage Rules under the RESPA (Regulation X) and the TILA</u> (Regulation Z) This rule amends provisions in Regulation Z and final rules issued by the CFPB in 2013, which, among other things, required that consumers receive counseling before obtaining high-cost mortgages and that servicers provide periodic account statement s and rate adjustment notices to mortgage borrowers, as well as engage in early intervention when borrowers become delinquent. The amendments clarify the specific disclosures that must be provided before counseling for high-cost mortgages can occur, and proper compliance regarding servicing requirements when a consumer is in bankruptcy or sends a cease communication request under the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act. The rule also makes technical corrections to provisions of other rules. The Bureau requests public comment on these changes.

01.10.2014 CFPB: Loan Originator Compensation Requirements Under TILA/Regulation Z^{44} Amendments to 1026.36(h) and (i), which are a prohibition on financing credit insurance in connection with consumer credit transactions secured by a dwelling, and which were to be effective on June 1, 2013, will now be effective on January 10, 2014 after clarifications are adopted. Click <u>here</u>⁴⁵ to read the notice of the delay of the effective date.

01.10.2014 CFPB: <u>RESPA/Regulation X and TILA/Regulation Z Mortgage Servicing</u>⁴⁶ RESPA final rule includes servicer's' obligations to correct errors asserted by mortgage loan borrowers; provide certain information requested by such borrowers; and provide protection to such borrowers in connection with force-placed insurance. The Reg. Z final rule includes initial rate adjustment notices, periodic statements for residential mortgage loans, crediting of mortgage payments; and responses to requests for payoff amounts. This final rule was further corrected, clarified, and amended: <u>CFPB finalizes corrections, clarifications, and amendments to mortgage rules</u>⁴⁷: •Clarifies how to determine a consumer's debt-to-income (DTI) ratio: •Explains that CFPB's RESPA rule does not preempt the field of servicing regulation by states. •Establishes which mortgage loans to consider in determining small servicer status. •Clarifies the eligibility standard of the temporary QM provision.

01.10.2014 CFPB: <u>Clarifications to the 2013 Mortgage Rules under the Equal Credit Opportunity Act (Regulation B)</u>, <u>Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act (Regulation X)</u>, and the Truth in Lending Act (Regulation Z) Among other things, these amendments: •Clarify what servicer activities are prohibited in the first 120 days of delinquency; •Facilitate servicers' offering of short-term forbearance plans; •Clarify best practices for informing borrowers about the address for error resolution documents; •Facilitate lending in rural and underserved areas, while the CFPB is reexamining the rural and underserved definitions, by: 1) Exempting all small creditors from a new ban on high-cost mortgages featuring balloon payments so long as certain restrictions are met; and 2) making it easier for certain small creditors to continue to qualify for



an exemption from a requirement to maintain escrows on certain HPMLs; •Make clarifications about financing of credit insurance premiums; •Clarify the definition of a loan originator; •Clarify the points and fees thresholds and loan originator compensation rules for manufactured housing employees; •Revise effective dates of many loan originator compensation rule provisions.

01.10.2014 CFPB: Ability to Repay (ATR) and Qualified Mortgage (QM) Standards under TILA/Regulation Z⁴⁸

01.10.2014 CFPB: <u>High-Cost Mortgage and Homeownership Counseling Amendments to TILA/Regulation Z and</u> <u>Homeownership Counseling Amendments to RESPA/Regulation X</u>⁴⁹ implements Dodd-Frank Act amendments to TILA and RESPA. Expands the types of mortgage loans subject to the protections of HOEPA, revises and expands the tests for coverage under HOEPA, and imposes additional restrictions on mortgages that are covered by HOEPA, including a pre-loan counseling requirement.

01.03.2014 FinCEN and Fed: Definitions of Transmittal of Funds and Funds Transfer⁵⁰ FinCEN and the Fed are issuing this Final Rule amending the regulatory definitions of "funds transfer" and "transmittal of funds" under the regulations implementing the BSA. We are amending the definitions to maintain their current scope in light of changes to the EFTA, which will avoid certain currently covered transactions being excluded from BSA requirements.

01.01.2014 <u>FDIC: Interim rule revising risk-based and leverage capital requirements</u>⁵¹ The FDIC adopted an interim final rule that revises its risk-based and leverage capital requirements for FDIC-supervised institutions. This interim final rule is substantially identical to a joint final rule issued by the OCC and the Federal Reserve (together, with the FDIC, the agencies).

01.01.2014 Fed: Regulatory Capital Rules (Basel III)⁵² The Fed approved a Basel III final rule. The final rule minimizes burden on smaller, less complex financial institutions. For more details, refer to the Federal Reserve's Press Release⁵³. The FDIC Board of Directors approved an interim final rule⁵⁴ that adopts with revisions the three notices of proposed rulemaking (NPRs) that the banking agencies proposed last year related to Basel III and the standardized approach. The FDIC Board also approved a joint interagency Notice of Proposed Rulemaking⁵⁵ to strengthen the supplementary leverage requirements for the largest most systemically important banking organizations. The OCC announced (NR 2013-110⁵⁶) that it approved a final rule revising regulatory capital rules applicable to national banks and federal savings associations.

11.04.2013 Final rule prohibiting issuing credit card unless ability to make payments is considered (Reg. Z)

10.28.2013 CFPB: Final Consumer protection rule on international remittances (Reg. E) This rule was followed by a clarification: CFPB Final Rule: Clarificatory amendment and technical correction to a final rule and official interpretation of disclosures for remittance transactions (Reg. E)

10.17.2013 <u>FHA approval of lending institutions and mortgagees: streamlined reporting requirements for small</u> supervised lenders and mortgagees⁵⁷ This rule streamlines the FHA financial statement reporting requirements for lenders and mortgagees who are supervised by federal banking agencies and whose consolidated assets do not meet the thresholds set by their supervising federal banking agencies for submission of audited financial statements (currently set at \$500 million in consolidated assets).

09.26.2013 <u>CFPB: Rules of Practice for Issuance of Temporary Cease-and-Desist Orders</u> The Dodd-Frank Act requires the CFPB to prescribe rules establishing procedures for the conduct of adjudication proceedings. On June 29, 2012, the Bureau published the final Rules of Practice for Adjudication Proceedings. That final rule, however, does not apply to the issuance of a temporary cease-and-desist order (TCDO) pursuant to section 1053(c) of the Dodd-Frank Act. The CFPB issued an interim final rule governing such issuance and seeks public comments. The interim final rule took effect on September 26, 2013.

07.01.2013 FTC: <u>Amends the Children's Online Privacy Protection Rule</u>⁵⁸ ("COPPA Rule" or "Rule"), consistent with the requirements of the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act, to clarify the scope of the Rule and strengthen its protections for children's personal information, in light of changes in online technology since the Rule went into effect in April 2000. The final amended Rule includes modifications to the definitions of operator, personal information, and Web site or online service directed to children. The amended Rule also updates the requirements set forth in the notice, parental consent, confidentiality and security, and safe harbor provisions, and adds a new provision addressing data retention and deletion. (Comment: Financial institutions are subject to COPPA if they operate a website or online services directed to



children or have actual knowledge that they are collecting or maintaining personal information from a child online.) <u>Press</u> <u>Release</u>.⁵⁹

06.01.2013 CFPB: Escrow Requirements for Higher-Priced Mortgages Under TILA/Regulation Z⁶⁰ The CFPB issued Clarifications of the 2013 Escrows final rule⁶¹ (Reg. Z) on May 16, 2013.

06.01.2013 Amendments in the <u>Loan Originator Compensation final rules</u>⁶² to §1026.36 (h) and (i) are effective on this June 1, 2013. Section 1026.36(h) is regarding the prohibition on mandatory arbitration clauses and waivers of certain consumer rights. Section 1026(i) is regarding the prohibition on financing single-premium credit insurance.

03.31.2013 FinCEN: SAR/CTR batch filers must update their systems to the <u>new specifications</u>⁶³. (<u>Extended from June</u> <u>30, 2012 to March 31, 2013</u>⁶⁴) All institutions that batch file the current CTR, CTR-C, SAR-DI, SAR-SF, SAR-MSB, or SAR-C will have to convert their systems to file the new CTR and SAR. FinCEN will make other filing technical specifications available in the near future.

03.28.2013 In order to resolve litigation regarding a Reg. Z provision limiting fees a consumer must pay prior to opening a credit card account, the CFPB issued an April 2012 proposal to amend the rule to be consistent with a court ruling so that it no longer applies to fees charged prior to account opening. On March 22, the CFPB adopted a <u>final rule</u>⁶⁵ adopting the proposal's elimination of the cap on fees charged prior to account opening.

03.26.2013 The CFPB <u>amended Reg. E^{66} to conform to legislation that amended the EFTA to eliminate a requirement that owners of ATMs post a fee notice on all ATMs. The onscreen notice requirement remains.</u>

01.01.2013 The IRS final regulations regarding the reporting requirements for interest that relates to deposits maintained at U.S. offices of certain financial institutions and is paid to certain nonresident alien individuals. These regulations apply to payments of interest made on or after January 1, 2013.

12.31.2012 Housing and Economic Recovery Act by The Helping Heroes Keep Their Homes Act of 2010 – The provision for an extended time period (extended from 90 days to nine months) for protections affecting foreclosure, sale, or seizure of servicemembers' real or personal property expires.

11.30.2012 The Board is <u>amending Regulation D</u>,⁶⁷ Reserve Requirements of Depository Institutions, to reflect the annual indexing of the reserve requirement exemption amount and the low reserve tranche for 2013.

10.01.2012 The Federal Reserve Board <u>final rule</u>⁶⁸ amends the provisions in Regulation II (Debit Card Interchange Fees and Routing) that permit a debit card issuer subject to the interchange fee standards to receive a fraud-prevention adjustment. The final rule revises provisions that are currently in effect as an interim final rule.

07.21.2012 The <u>interim final rule</u>⁶⁹ adopted by the OCC implements Section 610 of the Dodd-Frank Act revises the statutory definition of loans and extensions of credit for purposes of the lending limit to include certain credit exposures arising from a derivative transaction, repurchase agreement, reverse repurchase agreement, securities lending transaction, or securities borrowing transaction. State banks are subject to separate restrictions under section 611 of the Dodd-Frank Act.

07.12.2012 <u>Reg D amendment</u>⁷⁰ simplifying the administration of reserve requirements. (See April 2012 Capitol Comments)

07.12.2012 <u>Reg J amendment</u>⁷¹ (See April 2012 Capitol Comments)

07.01.2012 FinCEN adopted a <u>requirement</u>⁷² that all financial institutions subject to BSA reporting use electronic filing for certain reports. Hardship exemptions are available.

04.30.2012 National Labor Relations Board's <u>final rule</u>⁷³ requiring employers to post workplaces notices regarding employee rights regarding unions and collective bargaining. Notices will be available at NLRB regional offices or on the NLRB <u>website</u>⁷⁴ by October 1. Private sector employers subject to National Labor Relations Act must post the notice. The notice was originally required on 11.14.2011, but was delayed to allow for further education and outreach.

03.15.2012 ATMs must comply with the communication requirements of the <u>ADA and ABA Accessibility Guidelines</u> for <u>Buildings and Facilities</u>⁷⁵.

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01.01.2012 The FFIEC member agencies directed examiners to formally assess financial institutions under the enhanced expectations outlined in the <u>supplemental guidance on Internet banking authentication</u>⁷⁶ beginning in January 2012.

12.31.2011 Treasury ends over-the-counter sales of paper savings bonds, including sales through financial institutions and applications directly to the Fed.

11.14.2011 National Labor Relations Board's <u>final rule</u>⁷⁷ requiring employers to post workplaces notices regarding employee rights regarding unions and collective bargaining. Notices will be available at NLRB regional offices or on the NLRB <u>website</u>⁷⁸ by October 1. Private sector employers subject to National Labor Relations Act must post the notice. The notice was originally required on 11.14.2011, but was delayed to allow for further education and outreach.

10.01.2011<u>Final rule</u>⁷⁹ establishing standards (Regulation II) for debit card interchange fees and prohibiting network exclusivity arrangements and routing restrictions.

10.01.2011 <u>Interim final rule</u>⁸⁰ that allows for an upward adjustment of no more than 1 cent to an issuer's debit card interchange fee if the issuer develops and implements policies and procedures reasonably designed to achieve the fraud-prevention standards.

10.01.2011 Clarification of $\underline{\text{Reg } Z^{81}}$ Credit Card Act and official staff commentary.

08.15.2011 The Board <u>amended model notices</u>⁸² in Regulation B to include the disclosure of credit scores and related information if a credit score is used in taking adverse action.

08.15.2011 The <u>final rules</u>⁸³ amending Regulation V generally require a creditor to provide a risk-based pricing notice to a consumer when the creditor uses a consumer report to grant or extend credit to the consumer on material terms that are materially less favorable than the most favorable terms available to a substantial proportion of consumers from or through that creditor

07.22.2011 Effective date of the repeal of Reg. Q's prohibition on payment of interest on commercial checking accounts. A rule has been <u>proposed</u>⁸⁴ to implement this.

07.21.2011 The FDIC $\underline{\text{final rule}}^{85}$ repeals Reg. Q, the prohibition against the payment of interest on demand deposit accounts.

07.21.2011 This is the transfer date when the CFPB will be vested with the consumer protection authorities currently held by the existing federal financial regulators, such as the Federal Reserve and the FDIC.

07.21.2011 The final rules amend <u>Reg. Z</u>⁸⁶ and <u>Reg. M</u>⁸⁷ (Consumer Leasing) to implement a provision of the Dodd-Frank Act, which requires Truth in Lending Act and the Consumer Leasing Act apply to consumer credit transactions and consumer leases up to \$50,000, compared with \$25,000 currently. This amount will be adjusted annually to reflect any increase in the consumer price index.

07.01.2011 FDIC Overdraft Payment Supervisory Guidance.⁸⁸ The FDIC expects that any additional efforts to mitigate risk would be in place by July 1, 2011.

05.01.2011 <u>Interim final rule</u>⁸⁹ to implement statutory restrictions on the garnishment of Federal benefit payments and establish procedures that financial institutions must follow when they receive a garnishment order against an account holder who receives certain types of Federal benefit payments by direct deposit.

04.01.2011 <u>Final rule</u>⁹⁰ amending Reg. Z increases from 1.5 to 2.5 percentage points the APR threshold for determining whether a jumbo mortgage secured by a first lien on a consumer's principal dwelling is a HPML for which an escrow account must be established.

04.01.2011 Reg. Z^{91} – Amendment to protect consumers in the mortgage market from unfair or abusive lending practices that can arise from certain loan originator compensation practices.



04.01.2011 Fed's <u>final rule</u>⁹² to implement the conformance period during which banking entities and nonbank financial companies supervised by the Board must bring their activities and investments into compliance with the prohibitions and restrictions on proprietary trading and relationships with hedge funds and private equity funds imposed by the "Volcker Rule.

04.01.2011 FDIC <u>final rule</u>⁹³ on Assessments, Dividends, Assessment Base, and Large Bank Pricing. This new large bank pricing system will result in higher assessment rates for banks with high-risk concentrations, less stable balance sheet liquidity, or potentially higher loss severity in the event of failure. Except as specifically provided, the final rule will take effect for the quarter beginning April 1, 2011, and will be reflected in the June 30, 2011 fund balance and the invoices for assessments due September 30, 2011.

03.28.2011 **FinCEN** <u>final rule</u>⁹⁴ to amend **BSA** regulations regarding reports of foreign financial accounts.

03.15.2011 <u>Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability Final Rules</u>⁹⁵ – Effective dates of new <u>ADA requirements for</u> <u>ATMs</u>.⁹⁶

01.31.2011 Reg. E^{97} – This is the delayed effective date pursuant to <u>H.R. 5502</u>⁹⁸. The final rules prohibit dormancy, inactivity, and service fees on <u>gift cards</u> unless: (1) the consumer has not used the certificate or card for at least one year; (2) no more than one such fee is charged per month; and (3) the consumer is given clear and conspicuous disclosures about the fees. Expiration dates for funds underlying gift cards must be at least five years after the date of issuance, or five years after the date when funds were last loaded.

01.30.2011 $\underline{\text{Reg } Z}^{99}$ –The interim rule revising the disclosure requirements for closed-end mortgage loans is effective for all applications received on or after January 30, 2011.

01.03.2011 <u>Official FDIC sign</u>¹⁰⁰ – New FDIC signs must be posted showing the \$250,000 minimum insurance amount.

01.01.2011 $FACT Act^{101}$ – Generally require a creditor to provide a consumer with a notice when, based on the consumer's credit report, the creditor provides credit to the consumer on less favorable terms than it provides to other consumers. Alternatively, a creditor may provide such a consumer with a free credit score and information about their score.

01.01.2011 <u>Reg. Z^{102} – Final rule requiring purchaser or assignee that acquires loan to provide written disclosures within 30 days of sell, transfer or assignment.</u>

12.31.2010 <u>Unlimited Coverage for Noninterest-Bearing Transaction Accounts</u>¹⁰³ – This is the expiration date for the TAG program. However, the Dodd Frank Act extends this program for 2 calendar years and it applies to everyone as part of the standard FDIC coverage. For those who opted in, the original program does expire on this date. NOW and IOLTA customers must receive notice of expiration of TAG program. (On December 29, 2010, the President signed a law giving IOLTAs full coverage also.)

12.31.2010 The federal banking agencies published <u>amendments</u>¹⁰⁴ to their rules that implement the privacy provisions of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act. The rules require financial institutions to provide initial and annual privacy notices to their customers. The Agencies adopted a model privacy form that financial institutions may rely on as a safe harbor to provide disclosures under the privacy rules.

12.10.2010 Final Interagency Appraisal and Evaluation Guidelines¹⁰⁵ effective.

10.01.2010 Reg. Z^{106} – Escrow required on higher priced mortgage loans on manufactured homes.

10.01.2010 <u>Reg. DD</u>¹⁰⁷ – Reg. DD and the official staff commentary amended to address the application of the rule to retail sweep programs and the terminology for overdraft fee disclosures, and to make amendments that conform to the Board's final Regulation E amendments addressing overdraft services, adopted in November 2009.

 $\frac{\text{Reg. E}^{408}}{\text{C}}$ The final rules prohibit dormancy, inactivity, and service fees on <u>gift cards</u> unless: (1) the consumer has not used the certificate or card for at least one year; (2) no more than one such fee is charged per month; and (3) the consumer is given clear and conspicuous disclosures about the fees. Expiration dates for funds underlying gift cards must be at least five years after the date of issuance, or five years after the date when funds were last loaded. EFFECTIVE DATE DELAYED TO JANUARY 31, 2011.



08.22.2010 Reg. Z¹⁰⁹ – Federal Reserve Board final rule to protect credit card users from unreasonable late payment and other penalty fees and to require credit card issuers to reconsider interest rate increases imposed since the beginning of 2009.

08.02.2010 <u>Daylight Overdraft Posting Rules</u>¹¹⁰. The Federal Reserve Banks will be offering an opt-in, same-day settlement service for certain ACH debit payments through the FedACH service effective August 2, 2010.

07.01.2010 Implementing FACT Act Accuracy & Integrity Rules: Deadline July 1, 2010

07.01.2010 Reg. Z¹¹¹ – This is the mandatory compliance date for all provisions of the final rule on <u>open end credit</u> that were not mandatory on February 22, 2010. Generally, the Fed retained a July 1, 2010 mandatory compliance date for those provisions originally adopted in the January 2009 Regulation Z Rule that are not requirements of the Credit Card Act.

07.01.2010 Reg. Z and Reg. AA (Unfair or Deceptive Practices)¹¹² – A lender may not consider a credit card payment late unless statement is provided 21 days prior to due date. Requirements on how credit cards payments above minimum are allocated. Restriction on when credit card rates may change. Finance charges on previous billing cycles limited. Security deposits and fees limited.

07.01.2010 Reg. <u>E</u> – The final rule limits the ability of a financial institution to assess an <u>overdraft fee</u> for paying ATM and one-time debit card transactions that overdraw a consumer's account, unless the consumer affirmatively consents, or opts in, to the institution's payment of overdrafts for these transactions. (Further amendments to Reg. <u>E</u>¹¹³ and Reg. DD¹¹⁴ have been proposed to clarify the initial Reg. E amendments.)

07.01.2010 <u>FACT Act (Fair and Accurate Credit Transactions Act¹¹⁵</u> –Those furnishing consumer information to a consumer reporting agency must <u>establish reasonable policies and procedures</u> for implementing the guidelines in Appendix E.

06.21.2010 Post employee <u>notices</u>¹¹⁶ pursuant to Executive Order 13496

06.01.2010 <u>Reg. GG (Prohibition on Funding of Unlawful Internet Gambling)</u>¹¹⁷.–. Requires non-exempt participants in designated payment systems to establish and implement written policies and procedures that are reasonably designed to identify and block or otherwise prevent or prohibit unlawful Internet gambling transactions. <u>Reg GG (Extension of compliance date)</u>¹¹⁸

04.01.2010 Reg. Z^{119} – Escrow on higher priced loans (Specifically, <u>12 CFR 226.35(b)(3)</u>¹²⁰ is effective April 1, 2010.)

03.31.2010 <u>TALF program expires</u>.¹²¹

02.27.2010 Reg. CC^{122} -- These amendments reflect the restructuring of check-processing operations within the Federal Reserve System. Subsequent to these amendments, there will only be a single check-processing region for purposes of Regulation CC and there will no longer be any checks that are nonlocal.

02.22.2010 Reg Z¹²³. – Amendments establish a number of new substantive and disclosure requirements pertaining to open-end consumer credit plans, including credit card accounts. This is the mandatory compliance date for the portion of § 226.5(a)(2)(iii) regarding use of the term "fixed" and for §§ 226.5(b)(2), 226.7(b)(11), 226.7(b)(12), 226.7(b)(13), 226.9(c)(2)(except for 226.9(c)(2)(iv)(D)), 226.9(e), 226.9(g) (except for 226.9(g)(3)(ii)), 226.9(h), 226.10, 226.11(c), 226.16(f), and §§ 226.51-226.58. The compliance date for all other provision of this final rule is 07.01.2010.

02.14.2010 <u>Reg. Z^{124} </u> – Amendments revising the disclosure requirements for private education loan become mandatory.

01.19.2010 $\operatorname{Reg} Z^{125}$ – The purchaser or assignee that acquires a mortgage loan must provide the required disclosures in writing no later than 30 days after the date on which the loan is sold or otherwise transferred or assigned. (This rule was effective on 11.20.2009, but compliance was optional until 01.19.2010.)

01.01.2010 $\frac{\text{Reg. X (RESPA)}^{126} - \text{GFE}}{\text{GFE}}$ and HUD-1 both change. Fee variance between GFE and HUD-1 limited based on fee type. Except with change of circumstances and new disclosures (within 3 business days of change), lender is locked into the fees originally disclosed for 10 business days after such disclosure.



01.01.2010 <u>Reg. DD (Truth-in-Savings)</u>¹²⁷ – Disclose overdraft fees for statement period and YTD on periodic statements. Balances on automated systems (e.g. ATMs) must not include overdraft protection amount.

01.01.2010 <u>Reg. S¹²⁸</u> – Update the fees to be charged for producing records and takes account of recent advances in electronic document productions.

01.01.2010 Effective date of TAG participant opt-out.

12.31.2010 <u>GLBA (Model Privacy Form)¹²⁹</u> – The agencies adopted a model privacy form that financial institutions may rely on after 12.31.2010 as a safe harbor to provide disclosures under the privacy rules.

12.30.2009 Prepay quarterly risk-based FDIC assessments for the fourth quarter of 2009, and for all of 2010, 2011, and 2012, on December 30, 2009, along with risk-based assessment for the third quarter of 2009.

12.01.2009 **COMPLIANCE DATE EXTENDED TO 06.01.2010.** <u>Reg. GG (Unlawful Internet Gambling Act)</u>¹³⁰ – Must send required notice to existing customers. Must perform due diligence at account opening and have procedures for dealing with violations.

10.01.2009 <u>Reg. C (HMDA)¹³¹</u> – Loans requiring a rate spread must use Reg. Z's new higher priced loan definition.

10.01.2009 Reg. Z (TIL)¹³² – Higher priced mortgage loan consumer protections; prohibits appraiser influence; prohibits unfair/deceptive servicing standards on dwelling secured closed end loans; advertising rules open & closed end loans; changes on HOEPA loan criteria.

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