Community Support Statement (FHFA Form 060) Instructions

Purpose: Section 10(g) of the Federal Home Loan Bank Act [12 U.S.C. § 1430(g)] sets forth the community support requirements. Under the Federal Housing Finance Agency's (FHFA) implementing community support regulation [12 CFR part 1290], FHFA is required to take into account a Federal Home Loan Bank (Bank) member's performance under the Community Reinvestment Act of 1977 [12 U.S.C. § 2901 et seq.] (federal CRA) and its record of lending to first-time homebuyers, in determining whether to maintain the member's access to long-term Bank advances and to a Bank's Affordable Housing Program (AHP) and targeted Community Investment Cash Advances (CICA) programs. For purposes of community support review, the term "long-term advances" means advances with a term to maturity greater than one year.

Part I (CRA Standard): Members subject to the federal CRA must complete this part. Provide your institution's most recent federal CRA rating and the year of the rating. Credit unions and insurance companies, which are not subject to the federal CRA, should indicate "N/A" [i.e., not applicable] in the CRA rating field on this Community Support Statement. If your institution is not a credit union or insurance company and is not subject to the federal CRA, indicate the reason for the exemption.

If a member's most recent federal CRA rating is "Needs to Improve," FHFA will place the member on probation. During the probationary period, the member will retain access to long-term Bank advances and Bank AHP and CICA programs. If the member does not receive an improved federal CRA rating at its next CRA evaluation, FHFA will restrict its prospective access to long-term Bank advances and Bank AHP and CICA programs. If a member's most recent federal CRA rating is "Substantial Non-compliance," FHFA will restrict the member's prospective access to long-term Bank advances and AHP and CICA programs. The restriction will remain in effect until the member's federal CRA rating improves.

Part II (First-time Homebuyer Standard): All members, except those with "Outstanding" federal CRA ratings, must complete this part. A member may satisfy the first-time homebuyer standard either by: demonstrating lending performance to first-time homebuyers (Section A); or demonstrating other financial support or participation in programs, products, services or investments, that directly or indirectly assists first-time homebuyers (Section B); or by a combination of both factors. If none of the information requested in this part describes your institution's activities to support first-time homebuyers, you may attach a brief description of other activities of your institution that support first-time homebuyers, or a brief explanation of any mitigating factors that adversely affect your institution's ability to assist first-time homebuyers, such as charter or operational limitations or market conditions.

If a member does not demonstrate assistance to first-time homebuyers or include an explanation of mitigating factors on this Community Support Statement, FHFA will restrict the member's prospective access to long-term Bank advances and Bank AHP and CICA programs. The restriction will remain in effect until the member submits applicable information to FHFA that demonstrates the member's compliance with the first-time homebuyer standard.

Part III (Certification): All members must complete this section. A senior official of your institution with authorization to provide the information in this Community Support Statement must certify that the information in this Community Support Statement and any attachments are accurate to the best of his/her knowledge.

If a member submits a Community Support Statement that does not include this required certification, FHFA will restrict the member's prospective access to long-term Bank advances and Bank AHP and CICA programs.

Assistance: Your institution's Bank has a Community Support Program that can assist you in preparing this Community Support Statement.

Submission: Complete and submit the Community Support Statement and any attachments online to the Federal Housing Finance Agency at https//www.*[specific fhfa.gov address TBD]*.

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Paperwork Reduction Act Statement: Notwithstanding any other provision of the law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act, unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB Control Number.

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FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY

[No. 2016–N–07]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Housing Finance Agency.

ACTION: 60-day notice of submission of information collection for approval from Office of Management and Budget.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA) is seeking public comments concerning the information collection known as the ''Affordable Housing Program,'' which has been assigned control number 2590–0007 by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). FHFA intends to submit the information collection to OMB for review and approval of a three-year extension of the control number, which is due to expire on November 30, 2016.

DATES: Interested persons may submit comments on or before November 22, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments to FHFA, identified by ''Proposed Collection; Comment Request: 'Affordable Housing Program, (No. 2016–N–07)''' by any of the following methods:

- *Agency Web site: www.fhfa.gov/open-for-comment-or-input.*
- *Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov.* Follow the instructions for submitting comments. If you submit your comment to the Federal eRulemaking Portal, please also send it by *email* to FHFA at *RegComments@fhfa.gov* to ensure timely receipt by the agency.
- *Mail/Hand Delivery:* Federal Housing Finance Agency, Eighth Floor,

400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC 20219, ATTENTION: Proposed Collection; Comment Request: ''Affordable Housing Program, (No. 2016–N–07)''.

We will post all public comments we receive without change, including any personal information you provide, such as your name and address, email address, and telephone number, on the FHFA Web site at *http://www.fhfa.gov.* In addition, copies of all comments received will be available for examination by the public on business days between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m., at the Federal Housing Finance Agency, Eighth Floor, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC 20219. To make an appointment to inspect comments, please call the Office of General Counsel at (202) 649–3804.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Deattra D. Perkins, Senior Policy Analyst, Division of Housing Mission & Goals, *Deattra.Perkins@fhfa.gov,* (202) 649–3133; or Sylvia C. Martinez, Manager, Federal Home Loan Bank Housing and Community Investment Programs, Division of Housing Mission & Goals, *Sylvia.Martinez@fhfa.gov,* (202) 649–3301 (these are not toll-free numbers); Federal Housing Finance Agency, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC 20219. The Telecommunications Device for the Hearing Impaired is (800) 877–8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

Section 10(j) of the Federal Home Loan Bank Act (Bank Act) requires FHFA to promulgate regulations under which each of the 11 Federal Home Loan Banks (Banks) must establish an Affordable Housing Program (AHP), to provide subsidy to the Bank's member institutions to: (1) Finance homeownership by households with incomes at or below 80 percent of the area median income (low- or moderate-income households); and (2) to finance the purchase, construction, or rehabilitation of rental housing in which at least 20 percent of the units will be occupied by and affordable for households earning 50 percent or less of the area median income (very low-income households).[1] Section 10(j) also establishes standards and requirements for providing such subsidized funding to Bank members and requires each Bank to contribute 10 percent of its previous year's net earnings to its AHP annually, subject to a minimum annual combined contribution by the 11 Banks of $100 million.[2]

FHFA's AHP regulation, which implements the statutory AHP requirements, is set forth at 12 CFR part 1291. The regulation requires that each Bank establish and fund an AHP and sets forth the parameters within which the Banks' programs must operate. The regulation permits the Banks a degree of discretion in determining how their individual programs are to be implemented and requires that each Bank adopt an AHP Implementation Plan setting forth the specific requirements for that Bank's program.[3]

Competitive Application Programs

The AHP regulation requires each Bank to establish a competitive application program under which the Bank accepts applications for AHP subsidized advances or direct subsidies (grants) submitted by its members on behalf of non-member entities having a significant connection to the projects for which subsidy is being sought (project sponsors).[4] Each Bank accepts applications for AHP subsidy under its competitive application program during a specified number of funding periods each year, as determined by the Bank.[5] A Bank must determine for each application it receives whether the proposed project meets the AHP regulatory eligibility requirements.[6] The Bank must score each application according to AHP regulatory and Bank-specific scoring guidelines, and approve the highest scoring projects within that funding period for AHP subsidy.[7]

The regulation provides that, prior to each disbursement of AHP subsidy for a project approved under a Bank's competitive application program, the Bank must confirm that the project continues to meet the AHP regulatory eligibility requirements, as well as all commitments made in the approved AHP application.[8] As part of this process, Banks typically require that the member and project sponsor provide documentation demonstrating continuing compliance.

The regulation permits a Bank to approve a modification to the terms of an approved application that would change the score that the application received in the funding period in which it was originally scored and approved, had the changed facts been operative at that time. To approve a modification: (i) The project, incorporating the changes, must continue to meet the regulatory eligibility requirements; (ii) the application, as reflective of the changes, must continue to score high enough to have been approved in the funding period in which it was originally scored and approved; and (iii) there must be good cause for the modification, and the analysis and justification for the modification must be documented by the Bank in writing.[9] Banks typically require the member and project sponsor requesting a modification to provide a written analysis and justification as part of their modification request.

The regulation requires generally that a Bank monitor each owner-occupied and rental project receiving AHP subsidy under its competitive application program prior to and after project completion. For initial monitoring, a Bank must determine whether the project is making satisfactory progress towards completion, in compliance with the commitments made in the approved application, Bank policies, and the AHP regulatory requirements. Following project completion, the Bank must determine whether satisfactory progress is being made towards occupancy of the project by eligible households, and whether the project meets the regulatory requirements and the commitments made in the approved application.[10] For long-term monitoring of rental projects, subject to certain exceptions in the AHP regulation, the Bank must determine whether, during the 15-year retention period, the household incomes and rents comply with the income targeting and rent commitments made in the approved application.[11] For both the initial and long-term monitoring, a Bank must review appropriate documentation maintained by the project sponsor.

Homeownership Set-Aside Programs

The AHP regulation also authorizes each Bank, in its discretion, to allocate up to the greater of $4.5 million or 35 percent of its annual required AHP contribution to establish homeownership set-aside programs for the purpose of promoting homeownership for low- or moderate-income households.[12] Under these

[1] 12 U.S.C. 1430(j)(1) and (2).

[2] 12 U.S.C. 1430(j)(5)(C).

[3] 12 CFR 1291.3.

[4] 12 CFR 1291.5. Under the regulation, an AHP project sponsor may be an entity that either: (1) has an ownership interest in a rental project; (2) is integrally involved in an owner-occupied project, such as by exercising control over the planning, development, or management of the project, or by qualifying borrowers and providing or arranging financing for the owners of the units; (3) operates a loan pool; or (4) is a revolving loan fund. 12 CFR 1291.1 (definition of ''sponsor'').

[5] 12 CFR 1291.5(b)(1).

[6] 12 CFR 1291.5(c).

[7] 12 CFR 1291.5(d).

[8] 12 CFR 1291.5(g)(3).

[9] 12 CFR 1291.5(f).

[10] 12 CFR 1291.7(a)(1).

[11] 12 CFR 1291.7(a)(4).

[12] 12 CFR 1291.2(b)(2); 1291.6.

homeownership set-aside programs, a Bank may provide to its members AHP direct subsidies, which are to be provided by the members to eligible households as a grant to pay for down payment, closing cost, counseling cost or rehabilitation assistance in connection with the household's purchase of a primary residence or rehabilitation of an owner-occupied residence.[13] Prior to the Bank's disbursement of a direct subsidy under its homeownership set-aside program, the member must provide a certification that the subsidy will be provided in compliance with all applicable regulatory eligibility requirements.[14]

AHP Information Submitted by Banks to FHFA

FHFA's Data Reporting Manual (DRM) requires each Bank to submit to FHFA aggregate AHP information.[15] The DRM requires each Bank to submit to FHFA project-level information regarding its competitive application program and household-level information regarding its homeownership set-aside program semi-annually. The information the Banks are required to submit to FHFA under the DRM is derived from the documentation submitted by Bank members and project sponsors that is described above.

B. Need for and Use of the Information Collection

The Banks use the information collected under part 1291 to determine whether: (1) Projects for which Bank members and project sponsors are seeking subsidies under the Banks' competitive application programs satisfy the applicable statutory and regulatory requirements and score highly enough in comparison with other applications submitted during the same funding period to be approved for AHP subsidies; (2) projects approved under the Banks' competitive application programs continue to meet the applicable requirements and to comply with the commitments made in the approved applications each time subsidy is disbursed; (3) requests for modifications of projects approved under the Banks' competitive application programs meet the regulatory requirements for approval; (4) projects approved under the Banks' competitive application programs are making satisfactory progress towards completion, and following project completion, are making satisfactory progress towards occupancy of the project by eligible households, in compliance with the commitments made in the approved applications, Bank policies, and the regulatory requirements (initial monitoring); (5) during the 15-year retention period, completed rental projects continue to comply with the household income targeting and rent commitments made in the approved applications (long-term monitoring); and (6) applications for direct subsidy under Banks' homeownership set-aside programs were approved, and the direct subsidies disbursed, in accordance with the regulatory requirements.

FHFA uses the information required to be submitted by the Banks under the DRM to verify that the Banks' funding decisions, and the use of the funds awarded, were consistent with statutory and regulatory requirements.

The OMB control number for the information collection is 2590–0007. The current clearance expires on November 30, 2016. The likely respondents are institutions that are Bank members and non-member entities that sponsor an AHP project.

C. Burden Estimate

FHFA has analyzed each of the six facets of this information collection in order to estimate the hour burdens that the collection will impose upon Bank members and AHP project sponsors annually over the next three years. Based on that analysis, FHFA estimates that the total annual hour burden will be 115,750. The method FHFA used to determine the annual hour burden for each facet of the information collection is explained in detail below.

I. AHP Competitive Applications

FHFA estimates that Bank members, on behalf of project sponsors, will submit to the Banks an annual average of 1,350 applications for AHP subsidies under the Banks' competitive application programs and that the average preparation time for each application will be 24 hours. The estimate for the total annual hour burden on members and project sponsors in connection with the preparation and submission of AHP competitive applications is 32,400 hours (1,350 applications × 24 hours).

II. Compliance Submissions for Approved Competitive Application Projects at AHP Subsidy Disbursement

FHFA estimates that Bank members, on behalf of project sponsors, will make an annual average of 700 submissions to the Banks documenting that projects approved under the Banks' competitive application programs continue to comply with the regulatory eligibility requirements and all commitments made in the approved applications at the time each AHP subsidy is disbursed, and that the average preparation time for each submission will be 1 hour. The estimate for the total annual hour burden on members and project sponsors in connection with the preparation and submission of these compliance submissions is 700 hours (700 submissions × 1 hour).

III. Modification Requests for Approved Competitive Application Projects

FHFA estimates that Bank members, on behalf of project sponsors, will submit to the Banks an annual average of 300 requests for modifications to projects that have been approved under the Banks' competitive application programs, and that the average preparation time for each request will be 2.5 hours. The estimate for the total annual hour burden on members and project sponsors in connection with the preparation and submission of these modification requests is 750 hours (300 requests × 2.5 hours).

IV. Initial Monitoring Submissions for Approved Competitive Application Projects

FHFA estimates that project sponsors will make an annual average of 500 submissions of documentation to the Banks for purposes of the Banks' initial monitoring of in-progress and recently completed projects approved under their competitive application programs, and that the average preparation time for each submission will be 5 hours. The estimate for the total annual hour burden on project sponsors in connection with the preparation and submission of documentation required for initial monitoring of competitive application projects is 2,500 hours (500 submissions × 5 hours).

V. Long-Term Monitoring Submissions for Approved Competitive Application Program Projects

FHFA estimates that project sponsors will make an annual average of 4,800 submissions of documentation to the Banks for purposes of the Banks' long-term monitoring of completed projects approved under their competitive application programs, and that the average preparation time for each submission will be 3 hours. The estimate for the total annual hour burden on project sponsors in connection with the preparation and

[13] 12 CFR 1291.6(c)(4).

[14] 12 CFR 1291.7(b)(2).

[15] The AHP reporting requirements are located in chapter 5 of the DRM, which is available electronically on FHFA's public Web site at *http://www.fhfa.gov/SupervisionRegulation/FederalHomeLoanBanks/Documents/FHFB-Resolutions/2006/2006–13-Attachment.pdf.*

submission of documentation required for long-term monitoring of competitive application projects is 14,400 hours (4,800 submissions × 3 hours).

VI. Homeownership Set-aside Program Applications and Certifications

FHFA estimates that Bank members will submit to the Banks an annual average of 13,000 applications and required certifications for AHP direct subsidies under the Banks' homeownership set-aside programs, and that the average preparation time for those submissions together will be 5 hours. The estimate for the total annual hour burden on members in connection with the preparation and submission of homeownership set-aside program applications and certifications is 65,000 hours (13,000 applications/certifications × 5 hours).

D. Public Comments Request

Written comments are requested on: (1) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of FHFA functions, including whether the information has practical utility; (2) the accuracy of FHFA's estimates of the burdens of the collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on members and project sponsors, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Dated: September 20, 2016.

Kevin Winkler,

Chief Information Officer, Federal Housing Finance Agency.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Formations of, Acquisitions by, and Mergers of Savings and Loan Holding Companies

The companies listed in this notice have applied to the Board for approval, pursuant to the Home Owners' Loan Act (12 U.S.C. 1461 *et seq.*) (HOLA), Regulation LL (12 CFR part 238), and Regulation MM (12 CFR part 239), and all other applicable statutes and regulations to become a savings and loan holding company and/or to acquire the assets or the ownership of, control of, or the power to vote shares of a savings association and nonbanking companies owned by the savings and loan holding company, including the companies listed below.

The applications listed below, as well as other related filings required by the Board, are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The application also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the standards enumerated in the HOLA (12 U.S.C. 1467a(e)). If the proposal also involves the acquisition of a nonbanking company, the review also includes whether the acquisition of the nonbanking company complies with the standards in section 10(c)(4)(B) of the HOLA (12 U.S.C. 1467a(c)(4)(B)). Unless otherwise noted, nonbanking activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding each of these applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than October 20, 2016.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland (Nadine Wallman, Vice President) 1455 East Sixth Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44101–2566. Comments can also be sent electronically to *Comments.applications@clev.frb.org:*

1. *Community Savings Bancorp, Inc., Caldwell, Ohio;* to become a savings and loan holding company through the mutual to stock conversion and acquisition of Community Savings, Caldwell, Ohio.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, September 20, 2016.

Michele Taylor Fennell,

Assistant Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Change in Bank Control Notices; Acquisitions of Shares of a Bank or Bank Holding Company

The notificants listed below have applied under the Change in Bank Control Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)) and § 225.41 of the Board's Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.41) to acquire shares of a bank or bank holding company. The factors that are considered in acting on the notices are set forth in paragraph 7 of the Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)(7)).

The notices are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notices also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing to the Reserve Bank indicated for that notice or to the offices of the Board of Governors. Comments must be received not later than October 11, 2016.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City (Dennis Denney, Assistant Vice President) 1 Memorial Drive, Kansas City, Missouri 64198–0001:

1. *Frank L Carson, IV, Mulvane, Kansas;* to retain shares of Mulvane Bankshares, Inc., Mulvane, Kansas, and for approval as a member of the Carson Family Group that controls Mulvane Bankshares, Inc. Notification submitted by Sidney A. Reitz, Salina, Kansas, as trustee of Frank L. Carson, Jr. Trust No. 2; and Frank L. Carson, III Trust No. 2; to retain control of Mulvane Bankshares, Inc., and for approval as a member of the Carson Family Group. Mulvane Bankshares, Inc. controls Carson Bank, Mulvane, Kansas.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, September 20, 2016.

Michele Taylor Fennell,

Assistant Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

[CMS–4179–N]

Medicare Program; Medicare Appeals; Adjustment to the Amount in Controversy Threshold Amounts for Calendar Year 2017

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the annual adjustment in the amount in controversy (AIC) threshold amounts for Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) hearings and judicial review under the Medicare appeals process. The adjustment to the AIC threshold amounts will be effective for requests for ALJ hearings and judicial review filed on or after January 1, 2017. The calendar year 2017 AIC threshold amounts are $160 for ALJ hearings and $1,560 for judicial review.

DATES: *Effective Date:* This notice is effective on January 1, 2017.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Liz Hosna (*Katherine.Hosna@cms.hhs.gov*), (410) 786–4993.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Section 1869(b)(1)(E) of the Social Security Act (the Act), as amended by section 521 of the Medicare, Medicaid,