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*To All Depository Institutions in the Second  
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Enclosed is a copy of a revised Regulation C pamphlet, "Home Mortgage Disclosure," as amended effective January 1, 1992, of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

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## Regulation C Home Mortgage Disclosure

12 CFR 203\*; as revised effective January 1, 1992

### SECTION 203.1—Authority, Purpose, and Scope

(a) *Authority.* This regulation is issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System ("Board") pursuant to the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act (12 USC 2801 et seq.), as amended. The information-collection requirements have been approved by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget under 44 USC 3501 et seq. and have been assigned OMB No. 7100-0247.

(b) *Purpose.* (1) This regulation implements the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act, which is intended to provide the public with loan data that can be used—

- (i) to help determine whether financial institutions are serving the housing needs of their communities;
- (ii) to assist public officials in distributing public-sector investments so as to attract private investment to areas where it is needed; and
- (iii) to assist in identifying possible discriminatory lending patterns and enforcing antidiscrimination statutes.

(2) Neither the act nor this regulation is intended to encourage unsound lending practices or the allocation of credit.

(c) *Scope.* This regulation applies to certain financial institutions, including banks, saving associations, credit unions, and other mortgage lending institutions, as defined in section 203.2(e). It requires an institution to report data to its supervisory agency about home-purchase and home-improvement loans it originates or purchases, or for which it receives applications; and to disclose certain data to the public.

(d) *Loan aggregation and central data depositories.* Using the loan data made available by financial institutions, the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council will prepare disclosure statements and will produce vari-

ous reports for individual institutions for each metropolitan statistical area (MSA), showing lending patterns by location, age of housing stock, income level, sex, and racial characteristics. The disclosure statements and reports will be available to the public at central data depositories located in each MSA. A listing of central data depositories can be obtained from the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council, Washington, D.C. 20006.

### SECTION 203.2—Definitions

In this regulation—

(a) *Act* means the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act (12 USC 2801 et seq.), as amended.

(b) *Application* means an oral or written request for a home-purchase or home-improvement loan that is made in accordance with procedures established by a financial institution for the type of credit requested.

(c) *Branch office* means—

(1) any office of a bank, savings association, or credit union that is approved as a branch by a federal or state supervisory agency, but excludes free-standing electronic terminals such as automated teller machines;

(2) any office of a mortgage-lending institution (other than a bank, savings association, or credit union) that takes applications from the public for home-purchase or home-improvement loans. A mortgage-lending institution is also deemed to have a branch office in an MSA if, in the preceding calendar year, it received applications for, originated, or purchased five or more home-purchase or home-improvement loans on property located in that MSA.

(d) *Dwelling* means a residential structure (whether or not it is attached to real property) located in a state of the United States of America, the District of Columbia, or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. The term includes an individual condominium unit, cooperative unit, or mobile or manufactured home.

\* Code of Federal Regulations, title 12, chapter II, part 203.



(e) *Financial institution* means—

(1) a bank, savings association, or credit union that originated in the preceding calendar year a home-purchase loan (other than temporary financing such as a construction loan) secured by a first lien on a one- to four-family dwelling if—

(i) the institution is federally insured or regulated; or

(ii) the loan is insured, guaranteed, or supplemented by any federal agency; or

(iii) the institution intended to sell the loan to the Federal National Mortgage Association or the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation;

(2) a for-profit mortgage-lending institution (other than a bank, savings association, or credit union) whose home-purchase loan originations equaled or exceeded 10 percent of its loan-origination volume, measured in dollars, in the preceding calendar year.

(f) *Home-improvement loan* means any loan that—

(1) is stated by the borrower (at the time of the loan application) to be for the purpose of repairing, rehabilitating, or remodeling a dwelling; and

(2) is classified by the financial institution as a home-improvement loan.

(g) *Home-purchase loan* means any loan secured by and made for the purpose of purchasing a dwelling.

(h) *Metropolitan statistical area or MSA* means a metropolitan statistical area or a primary metropolitan statistical area, as defined by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget.

## SECTION 203.3—Exempt Institutions

(a) *Exemption based on asset size or location.* A financial institution is exempt from the requirements of this regulation for a given calendar year if on the preceding December 31—

(1) the institution had neither a home office nor a branch office in an MSA; or

(2) in the case of a bank, savings association, or credit union, the institution's total assets were \$10 million or less; or

(3) in the case of a for-profit mortgage-lending institution (other than a bank, savings association, or credit union), the total assets of the institution combined with those of any parent corporation were \$10 million or less.

(b) *Exemption based on state law.* (1) A state-chartered or state-licensed financial institution is exempt from the requirements of this regulation if the Board determines that the institution is subject to a state disclosure law that contains requirements substantially similar to those imposed by this regulation and contains adequate provisions for enforcement.

(2) Any state, state-chartered, or state-licensed financial institution, or association of such institutions may apply to the Board for any exemption under this paragraph.

(3) An institution that is exempt under this paragraph shall submit the data required by the state disclosure law to its state supervisory agency for purposes of aggregation.

(c) *Loss of exemption.* (1) An institution losing an exemption that was based on asset size or location under paragraph (a) of this section shall comply with this regulation beginning with the calendar year following the year in which it lost its exemption.

(2) An institution losing an exemption that was based on state law under paragraph (b) of this section shall comply with this regulation beginning with the calendar year following the year for which it last reported loan data under the state disclosure law.

## SECTION 203.4—Compilation of Loan Data

(a) *Data format and itemization.* A financial institution shall collect data regarding applications for, and originations and purchases of, home-purchase and home-improvement loans (including refinancings of both) for each calendar year. These data shall be presented on a register in the format prescribed in appendix A and shall include the following items:

(1) A number for the loan or loan applica-



tion, and the date the application was received.

- (2) The type and purpose of the loan.
- (3) The owner-occupancy status of the property to which the loan relates.
- (4) The amount of the loan or application.
- (5) The type of action taken, and the date.
- (6) The location of the property to which the loan relates, by MSA, state, county, and census tract, if the institution has a home or branch office in that MSA.
- (7) The race or national origin and sex of the applicant or borrower, and the income relied upon in processing the loan application.
- (8) The type of entity purchasing a loan that the institution originates or purchases and then sells within the same calendar year.

(b) *Collection of data on race or national origin, sex, and income.*

(1) A financial institution shall collect data about the race or national origin and sex of the applicant or borrower as prescribed in appendix B. If the applicant or borrower chooses not to provide the information, the lender shall note the data on the basis of visual observation or surname, to the extent possible.

(2) Race or national origin, sex, and income data may but need not be collected for—

- (i) loans purchased by the financial institution; or
- (ii) applications received or loans originated by a bank, savings association, or credit union with assets on the preceding December 31 of \$30 million or less.

(c) *Optional data.* A financial institution may report the reasons it denied a loan application.

(d) *Excluded data.* A financial institution shall not report—

- (1) loans originated or purchased by the financial institution acting in a fiduciary capacity (such as trustee);
- (2) loans on unimproved land;
- (3) temporary financing (such as bridge or construction loans);
- (4) the purchase of an interest in a pool of loans (such as mortgage-participation certificates); or

(5) the purchase solely of the right to service loans.

### SECTION 203.5—Disclosure and Reporting

(a) *Reporting requirements.* By March 1 following the calendar year for which the loan data are compiled, a financial institution shall send two copies of its complete register to the agency office specified in appendix A of this regulation, and shall retain a copy for its records for a period of not less than two years.

(b) *Disclosure to the public.* A financial institution shall make its mortgage-loan disclosure statement (to be prepared by the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council) available to the public no later than 30 calendar days after the institution receives it from its supervisory agency. The financial institution shall make the statement available to the public for a period of five years.

(c) *Availability of disclosure statement.* A financial institution shall make the disclosure statement available at its home office. If it has a physical branch office in other MSAs, it shall also make a statement available in at least one branch office in each of those MSAs; the statement at a branch office need only contain data relating to property in the MSA where that branch office is located. An institution shall make the disclosure statement available for inspection and copying during the hours the office is normally open to the public for business. It may impose a reasonable charge for photocopying services.

(d) *Notice of availability.* A financial institution shall post a general notice about the availability of its disclosure statement in the lobbies of its home office and any physical branch offices located in an MSA. Upon request, it shall promptly provide the location of the institution's offices where the statement is available. At its option, an institution may include the location in its notice.

### SECTION 203.6—Enforcement

(a) *Administrative enforcement.* A violation of the act or this regulation is subject to ad-



ministrative sanctions as provided in section 305 of the act, including the imposition of civil money penalties, where applicable. Compliance is enforced by the agencies listed in appendix A of this regulation.

(b) *Bona fide errors.* An error in compiling or recording loan data is not a violation of the act or this regulation if it was unintentional and occurred despite the maintenance of procedures reasonably adopted to avoid such errors.

## APPENDIX A—Form and Instructions for Completion of HMDA Loan/ Application Register

### Paperwork Reduction Act Notice

Public reporting burden for collection of this information is estimated to vary from 10 to 10,000 hours per response, with an average of 200 hours per response, including time to gather and maintain the data needed and to review instructions and complete the information collection. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to Secretary, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington, D.C. 20551; and to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, D.C. 20503.

### I. Who Must File a Report

A. Subject to the exceptions discussed below, banks, savings associations, credit unions, and other mortgage lending institutions must complete a register listing data about loan applications received, loans originated, and loans purchased if on the preceding December 31 an institution—

1. had assets of more than \$10 million, and
2. had a home or a branch office in a “metropolitan statistical area” or a “primary metropolitan statistical area” (both are referred to in these instructions by the term “MSA”).

*Example:* If on December 31 you had a home or a branch office in an MSA and your assets

exceeded \$10 million, you must complete a register that lists the home-purchase and home-improvement loans that you originate or purchase (and also lists applications that did not result in an origination) beginning January 1.

B. You need not complete a register—even if you meet the tests for asset size and location—if your institution is a bank, savings association, or credit union that made *no* first-lien home-purchase loans on one- to four-family dwellings in the preceding calendar year. This exception does not apply in the case of nondepository institutions.

C. You need not complete a register—even if you meet the tests for asset size and location—if your institution is a for-profit mortgage lender (other than a bank, savings association, or credit union) and the home-purchase loans that you originated in the preceding calendar year came to less than 10 percent of your total loan-origination volume, measured in dollars.

D. If you are a for-profit mortgage lender (other than a bank, savings association, or credit union), the asset test is based on the combined assets of your institution and any parent corporation.

E. If you are the subsidiary of a bank or savings association, you must complete a separate register for your institution. You will submit the register, directly or through your parent, to the agency that supervises your parent. (See paragraph VI.)

F. Institutions that are specifically exempted by the Federal Reserve Board from complying with the federal Home Mortgage Disclosure Act because they are covered by a similar state law on mortgage loan disclosures must use the disclosure form required by their state law and submit the data to their state supervisory agency.

### II. Required Format and Reporting Procedures

A. Institutions are expected to submit data to their supervisory agencies in an automated, machine-readable form unless 100 or fewer application and loan entries are reported. The



format must conform exactly to the form FR HMDA-LAR, including the order of columns, column headings, etc. Contact your federal supervisory agency for information regarding procedures and technical specifications for automated data submission. An institution that submits its register in nonautomated form must send two copies that are typed or computer printed. You must use the format of the loan/application register but are not required to use the form itself. Each page must be numbered, and the total number of pages must be given (for example, "Page 1 of 3").

B. The required data are to be entered in the register for each loan origination, each application acted on, and each loan purchased during the calendar year. Your institution should decide on the procedure it wants to follow—for example, whether to begin entering the required data when an application is received, or to wait until final action is taken (such as when a loan goes to closing or an application is denied). Keep in mind that an application is to be reported in the calendar year when final action is taken. Report loan originations in the year they go to closing; if an application has been approved but has not yet gone to closing at year-end, report it the following year.

C. Your institution may collect the data on separate registers at different branches, or on separate registers for different loan types (such as for home-purchase or home-improvement loans, or for loans on multifamily dwellings). But make sure the application or loan numbers (discussed under paragraph V.A.1., below) are unique.

D. Entries need *not* be grouped on your register by MSA, or chronologically, or by census tract numbers, or in any other particular order.

### III. Submission of HMDA-LAR and Release of Disclosure Statements

A. You must submit the data for your institution to the office specified by your supervisory agency no later than March 1 following the calendar year for which the data are compiled. A list of the agencies appears at the end of these instructions.

B. You must submit all required data to your supervisory agency *in one complete package*, with the prescribed transmittal sheet. An officer of your institution must certify to the accuracy of the data.

C. You are encouraged to provide in a cover letter an approximate count of the total number of line entries contained in your data submission. If you are a depository institution, you also are asked to include a list of the MSAs where you have a home or branch office.

D. The Federal Financial Institution Examination Council (FFIEC) will prepare a disclosure statement from the data you submit. Your disclosure statement will be returned to the name and address indicated on the transmittal sheet. When you receive that disclosure statement you must make a copy available for inspection by the public within 30 calendar days of the date the statement is received by your institution. You must make a complete copy available at your home office. If you have physical branch offices in other MSAs, you must make available, at one branch office in each of those MSAs, either the complete statement or the portion of the statement relating to that MSA.

Your agency can provide you with HMDA posters that you can use to inform the public of the availability of your disclosure statement, or you may print your own posters.

### IV. Types of Loans and Applications Covered and Excluded by HMDA

#### A. *Types of loans and applications to be reported*

1. Report the data on home-purchase and home-improvement loans that you originated (that is, loans that were closed in your name) and loans that you purchased during the calendar year covered by the report. Report these data even if the loans were subsequently sold by your institution. Include refinancings of home-purchase and home-improvement loans.
2. Report the data for applications for home-purchase and home-improvement loans that did not result in originations—for example, applications that your institu



tion denied or that the applicant withdrew during the calendar year covered by the report.

3. In the case of brokered loan applications or applications forwarded to you through a correspondent, show the data for all applications denied by your institution (whether or not they would have closed in your institution's name). Report the race or national origin, sex, and income information, unless your institution is a bank, savings association, or credit union with assets of \$30 million or less on the preceding December 31.
4. Report applications that were received in the previous calendar year but were acted upon during the calendar year covered by the current register.

**B. Data to be excluded.** Do not report loans or applications for loans of the following types:

1. Loans that, although secured by real estate, are made for purposes other than home purchase, home improvement, or refinancing (For example, do not report a loan secured by residential real property for purposes of financing college tuition, a vacation, or goods for business inventory.)
2. Loans made in a fiduciary capacity (for example, by your trust department)
3. Loans on unimproved land
4. Construction or bridge loans and other temporary financing
5. The purchase of an interest in a pool of loans (such as mortgage-participation certificates)
6. The purchase solely of the right to service loans

#### V. Instructions for Completion of Loan/ Application Register

##### A. Application or loan information

1. *Application or loan number.* Enter an identifying number that can be used later to retrieve the loan or application file. It can be any number of your choosing (not exceeding 25 characters). You may use letters, numerals, or a combination of both.

Make sure that all numbers are unique within your institution. If your register contains data for branch offices, for example, you could use a letter or a numerical code

to identify the loans or applications of different branches, or could assign a certain series of numbers to particular branches to avoid duplicate numbers. You are strongly encouraged *not* to use the applicant's or borrower's name or Social Security number, for privacy reasons.

2. *Date application received.* Enter the date the loan application was received by your institution by month, day, and year, using numerals in the form MM/DD/YY (for example, 01/15/92). If your institution normally records the date shown on the application form, you may use that date instead. Enter "NA" for loans purchased by your institution.

3. *Type.* Indicate the type of loan or application by entering the applicable code from the following:

- 1—Conventional (any loan other than FHA, VA or FmHA loans)
- 2—FHA-insured (Federal Housing Administration)
- 3—VA-guaranteed (Veterans Administration)
- 4—FmHA-insured (Farmers Home Administration)

4. *Purpose.* Indicate the purpose of the loan or application by entering the applicable code from the following:

- 1—Home purchase (one- to four-family)
- 2—Home improvement (one- to four-family)
- 3—Refinancing (home purchase or home improvement, one- to four-family)
- 4—Multifamily dwelling (home purchase, home improvement, and refinancings)

5. *Explanation of purpose codes*

##### *Code 1: Home purchase*

- a. This code applies to loans and applications made for the purpose of purchasing a residential dwelling for one to four families, if the loan is to be secured by the dwelling being purchased or by another dwelling.
- b. At your option, you may use code 1 for loans that are made for home-improvement purposes but are secured by a first lien, if you normally classify such first-lien loans as home-purchase loans.



*Code 2: Home improvement*

a. Code 2 applies to loans and applications for loans that (1) the borrowers have said will be used for repairing, rehabilitating, or remodeling one- to four-family residential dwellings, and (2) are recorded on your books as home-improvement loans.

b. Report both secured and unsecured loans.

c. At your option, you may report data about home-equity lines of credit—even if the credit line is not recorded on your institution's books as a home-improvement loan. If you choose to do so, you may report a home-equity line of credit as a home-improvement loan if the borrower or applicant indicates, at the time of application or when the account is opened, that some portion of the proceeds will be used for home improvement. (See paragraph 8, "Loan amount," below.) If you report originations of home-equity lines of credit, you must also report applications for such loans that did not result in originations.

*Code 3: Refinancings*

a. Use this code for refinancings (and applications for refinancings) of home-purchase or home-improvement loans on one- to four-family residential dwellings. A refinancing involves the satisfaction of an existing obligation that is replaced by a new obligation undertaken by the same borrower. But do not report a refinancing if, under the loan agreement, you are unconditionally obligated to renew or refinance the obligation, or you are obligated to renew or refinance the obligation subject to conditions within the borrower's control.

b. Use this code whether or not you were the original creditor on the loan being refinanced, and whether or not the refinancing involves an increase in the outstanding principal.

c. Report a refinancing if the amount outstanding on the original loan, plus the amount of new money (if any)

that is for home-purchase or home-improvement purposes, is *more* than 50 percent of the total new loan amount. Do not report a refinancing if 50 percent or *less* of the loan proceeds or the amount applied for is for home purchase or home improvement.

*Code 4: Multifamily dwelling*

a. Use this code for loans and loan applications on dwellings for five or more families, including home-purchase loans, refinancings, and loans for repairing, rehabilitation, and remodeling purposes.

b. Do not use this code for loans on individual condominium or cooperative units; use codes 1, 2, or 3 for such loans, as applicable.

6. *Owner occupancy.* Indicate whether the property to which the loan or loan application relates is to be owner-occupied as a principal dwelling by entering the applicable code from the following:

1—Owner-occupied as a principal dwelling

2—Not owner-occupied

3—Not applicable

*7. Explanation of codes*

a. Use code 2 for second homes or vacation homes, as well as rental properties.

b. Use code 2 only for nonoccupant loans, or applications for nonoccupant loans, related to one- to four-family dwellings (including individual condominium or cooperative units).

c. Use code 3 if the property to which the loan relates is a multifamily dwelling is not located in an MSA; or is located in an MSA in which your institution has neither a home nor a branch office.

d. For purchased loans, you may assume that the property will be owner-occupied as a principal dwelling (code 1) unless the loan documents or application contain information to the contrary.

8. *Loan amount.* Enter the amount of the loan or application. Do not report loans below \$500. Show the amount in thousands, rounding to the nearest thousand (\$500 should be rounded up to the next \$1,000). For example, a loan for \$167,300 should be entered as 167 and one for \$15,500 as 16.



a. For home-purchase loans that you originate, enter the principal amount of the loan as the loan amount. For home-purchase loans that you purchase, enter the unpaid principal balance of the loan at the time of purchase as the loan amount.

b. For home-improvement loans (both originations and purchases), you may include unpaid finance charges in the loan amount if that is how you record such loans on your books.

c. For home-equity lines of credit (if you have chosen to report them), enter as the loan amount only that portion of the line that the applicant or borrower has indicated, at the time the application is made or when the account is opened, as being for home improvement. Report the loan amount for applications that did not result in originations in the same manner. Report only in the year the line is established.

d. For refinancings that are to be reported, indicate the total amount of the refinancing, including the amount outstanding on the original loan and the amount of new money (if any).

e. For a loan application that was denied or withdrawn, enter the amount applied for.

f. If you offered to lend less than the applicant applied for, enter the amount of the loan if the offer was accepted by the applicant. If the offer was not accepted, enter the amount that the applicant applied for.

### B. Action taken

1. *Type of action.* Indicate the type of action taken on the application or loan by using one of the following codes. Do not report any loan application still pending at the end of the calendar year. You will report that application on your register for the year in which final action is taken.

1—Loan originated

2—Application approved but not accepted by applicant

3—Application denied

4—Application withdrawn

5—File closed for incompleteness

6—Loan purchased by your institution

### 2. Explanation of codes.

a. Use code 2 when an application is approved but the applicant fails to respond to your notification of approval or your commitment letter within the specified time.

b. Use code 4 only when an application is expressly withdrawn by the applicant before a credit decision was made.

c. Use code 5 if you sent a written notice of incompleteness under section 202.9(c)(2) of Regulation B (Equal Credit Opportunity) and the applicant failed to respond to your request for additional information within the period of time specified in your notice.

3. *Date of action.* Enter the date by month, day, and year, using numerals in the form MM/DD/YY (for example, 02/22/92).

a. For loans originated, enter the settlement or closing date. For loans purchased, enter the date of purchase by your institution.

b. For applications denied, applications approved but not accepted by the applicant, and files closed for incompleteness, enter the date that the action was taken by your institution or the date the notice was sent to the applicant.

c. For applications withdrawn, enter the date you received the applicant's express withdrawal; or you may enter the date shown on the notification from the applicant, in the case of a written withdrawal.

C. *Property location.* In these columns enter the applicable codes for the MSA, state, county, and census tract for the property to which a loan relates. For home-purchase loans secured by one dwelling, but made for the purpose of purchasing another dwelling, report the property location for the property in which the security interest is to be taken. If the home-purchase loan is secured by more than one property, report the location data for the property being purchased. (See paragraphs 5 and 6 below for treatment of loans on property outside the MSAs in which you have offices.)

1. *MSA.* For each loan or loan application, indicate the location of the property by the



MSA number. Enter only the MSA number, not the MSA name. MSA boundaries are defined by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget; use the boundaries that were in effect on January 1 of the calendar year for which you are reporting. A listing of MSAs is available from your regional supervisory agency or the FFIEC. (In these instructions, the term MSA refers to both metropolitan statistical area and primary metropolitan statistical area.)

2. *State and county.* You must use the Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) two-digit numerical code for the state and the three-digit numerical code for the county. These codes are available from your regional supervisory agency or the FFIEC. Do not use the letter abbreviations used by the U.S. Postal Service.

3. *Census tract.* Indicate the census tract where the property is located.

a. Enter the code "NA" if the property is located in an area not divided into census tracts on the U.S. Census Bureau's census-tract outline maps (see paragraph 4 below).

b. If the property is located in a county with a population of 30,000 or less in the 1990 census (as determined by the Census Bureau's 1990 CPH-2 population series), enter "NA" (even if the population has increased above 30,000 since 1990), or you may enter the census tract number.

4. *Census-tract number.* For the census-tract number, consult the U.S. Census Bureau's Census Tract/Street Index for 1990, and for addresses not listed in the index, consult the Census Bureau's census-tract outline maps. You must use the maps from the Census Bureau's 1990 CPH-3 series, or equivalent 1990 census data from the Census Bureau (such as the Census TIGER/Line File) or from a private publisher.

5. *Outside MSA.* For loans on property located outside the MSAs in which you have a home or branch office (or outside any MSA), you may enter the MSA, state, county, and census-tract numbers or you may enter the code "NA" in each of these columns.

6. *Nondepository lenders.* If you are a for-

profit mortgage lending institution (other than a bank, savings association, or credit union), and in the preceding calendar year you received applications for, or originated or purchased, loans for home purchase or home improvement adding up to a total of five or more for a given MSA, you are deemed to have a branch office in that MSA, whether or not you have a physical office there. As a result, you will have to enter the MSA, state, county, and census-tract numbers for any transactions in that MSA. Because you must keep accurate records about lending within MSAs in the current calendar year in order to report data accurately the following year, to comply with this rule you may find it easier to enter the geographic information routinely for any property located within any MSA.

D. *Applicant information—race or national origin, sex, and income.* Appendix B of Regulation C contains instructions for the collection of data on race or national origin and sex, and also contains a sample form for data collection. The form is substantially similar to the form prescribed by section 202.13 of Regulation B (Equal Credit Opportunity) and contained in appendix B to that regulation. You may use either form.

1. *Applicability.* You must report this applicant information for loans that you originate as well as for applications that do not result in an origination.

a. You need not collect or report this information for loans purchased. If you choose not to, enter the codes specified in paragraphs 3, 4, and 5 below for "not applicable."

b. If your institution is a bank, savings association, or credit union that had assets of \$30 million or less on the preceding December 31, you may—but need not—collect and report these data. If you choose not to, enter the codes specified in paragraphs 3, 4, and 5 below for "not applicable."

c. If the borrower or applicant is not a natural person (a corporation or partnership, for example), use the codes specified in paragraphs 3, 4, and 5 below for "not applicable."



2. *Mail and telephone applications.* Any loan applications mailed to applicants must contain a collection form similar to that shown in appendix B, and you must record on your register the data on race or national origin and sex if the applicant provides it. If the applicant chooses not to provide the data, enter the code for "information not provided by applicant in mail or telephone application" specified in paragraphs 3 and 4 below. If an application is taken entirely by telephone, you need not request this information. (See appendix B for complete information on the collection of this data in mail or telephone applications.)

3. *Race or national origin of borrower or applicant.* Use the following codes to indicate the race or national origin of the applicant or borrower under column "A" and of any co-applicant or co-borrower under column "CA." If there is more than one co-applicant, provide this information only for the first co-applicant listed on the application form. If there are no co-applicants or co-borrowers, enter code 8 for "not applicable" in the co-applicant column.

- 1—American Indian or Alaskan Native
- 2—Asian or Pacific Islander
- 3—Black
- 4—Hispanic
- 5—White
- 6—Other
- 7—Information not provided by applicant in mail or telephone application
- 8—Not applicable

4. *Sex of borrower or applicant.* Use the following codes to indicate the sex of the applicant or borrower under column "A" and of any co-applicant or co-borrower under column "CA." If there is more than one co-applicant, provide this information only for the first co-applicant listed on the application form. If there are no co-applicants or co-borrowers, enter code 4 for "not applicable."

- 1—Male
- 2—Female
- 3—Information not provided by applicant in mail or telephone application
- 4—Not applicable

5. *Income.* Enter the gross annual income

that your institution relied upon in making the credit decision.

- a. Round all dollar amounts to the nearest thousand (round \$500 up to the next \$1,000), and show in terms of thousands. For example, \$35,500 should be reported as 36.
- b. For loans on multifamily dwellings, enter "NA."
- c. If no income information is asked for or relied on in the credit decision (such as in "no income verification" type loans), enter "NA."

#### E. *Type of purchaser*

1. Enter the applicable code to indicate whether a loan that your institution originated or purchased was then sold to a secondary market entity within the same calendar year:

- 0—Loan was not originated or was not sold in calendar year covered by register
- 1—FNMA (Federal National Mortgage Association)
- 2—GNMA (Government National Mortgage Association)
- 3—FHLMC (Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation)
- 4—FmHA (Farmers Home Administration)
- 5—Commercial bank
- 6—Savings bank or savings association
- 7—Life insurance company
- 8—Affiliate institution
- 9—Other type of purchaser

#### 2. *Explanation of codes*

- a. Enter the code 0 for applications that were denied, withdrawn, or approved but not accepted by the applicant; and for files closed for incompleteness.
- b. If you originated or purchased a loan and did not sell it during that same calendar year, enter the code 0. If you sell the loan in a succeeding year, you need not report the sale.
- c. If you conditionally assign a loan to GNMA in connection with a mortgage-backed security transaction, use code 2.
- d. Loans "swapped" for mortgage-backed securities are to be treated as sales; enter the type of entity receiving



the loans that are swapped as the purchaser.

e. Use code 8 for loans sold to an institution affiliated with you, such as your subsidiary or a subsidiary of your parent corporation.

#### F. Reasons for denial

1. You are not required to enter the reasons for the denial of an application. But if you choose to do so, you may indicate up to three reasons by using the following codes:

- 1—Debt-to-income ratio
- 2—Employment history
- 3—Credit history
- 4—Collateral
- 5—Insufficient cash (downpayment, closing costs)
- 6—Unverifiable information
- 7—Credit application incomplete
- 8—Mortgage insurance denied
- 9—Other

2. Leave this column blank if the "action taken" on the application is not a denial. For example, do not complete this column if the application was withdrawn or the file was closed for incompleteness.

3. If your institution uses the model form for adverse action contained in the appendix to Regulation B (Form C-1 in appendix C, Sample Notification Form, which offers some 20 reasons for denial), the following list shows which codes to enter.

a. *Code 1 corresponds to:* Income insufficient for amount of credit requested, and Excessive obligations in relation to income.

b. *Code 2 corresponds to:* Temporary or irregular employment, and Length of employment.

c. *Code 3 corresponds to:* Insufficient number of credit references provided; Unacceptable type of credit references provided; No credit file; Limited credit experience; Poor credit performance with us; Delinquent past or present credit obligations with others; Garnishment, attachment, foreclosure, repossession, collection action, or judgment; and Bankruptcy.

d. *Code 4 corresponds to:* Value or type of collateral not sufficient.

e. *Code 6 corresponds to:* Unable to verify credit references, Unable to verify employment, Unable to verify income, and Unable to verify residence.

f. *Code 7 corresponds to:* Credit application incomplete.

g. *Code 9 corresponds to:* Length of residence, Temporary residence, and Other reasons specified on notice.

## VI. Federal Supervisory Agencies

Send your loan/application register and direct any questions to the office of your federal supervisory agency as specified below. If you are the nondepository subsidiary of a bank, savings association, or credit union, send the register to the supervisory agency for your parent institution.

A. *National banks and their subsidiaries.* District office of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency supervising the national bank.

B. *State member banks of the Federal Reserve System, their subsidiaries, and subsidiaries of bank holding companies.* Federal Reserve Bank serving the District in which the state member bank is located; for institutions other than state member banks, the Federal Reserve Bank specified by the Board of Governors.

C. *Nonmember insured banks (except for federal savings banks) and their subsidiaries.* Regional director of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for the region in which the bank or the subsidiary is located.

D. *Savings institutions insured under the Savings Association Insurance Fund of the FDIC, federally chartered savings banks insured under the Bank Insurance Fund of the FDIC (but not including state-chartered savings banks insured under the Bank Insurance Fund), their subsidiaries, and subsidiaries of savings institution holding companies.* Regional or other office specified by the Office of Thrift Supervision.

E. *Credit unions.* National Credit Union Administration, Office of Examination and Insurance, 1776 G Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20456.

F. *Other depository institutions.* Regional di-

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rector of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for the region in which the institution is located.

G. *Other mortgage-lending institutions.* Aa-

sistant Secretary for Housing, HMDA Reporting—Room 9233, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20410.

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**LOAN/APPLICATION REGISTER**

**TRANSMITTAL SHEET**

**You must complete this transmittal sheet (please type or print) and attach it to the Loan/Application Register, required by the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act, that you submit to your supervisory agency.**

Reporter's Identification Number	Agency Code	Reporter's Tax Identification Number
_____	_____	_____

The Loan/Application Register that is attached covers activity during 19\_\_\_\_ and contains a total of \_\_\_\_ pages.

Enter the name and address of your institution. The disclosure statement that is produced by the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council will be mailed to the address you supply below:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Institution

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, ZIP

Enter the name and telephone number of a person who may be contacted about questions regarding your register:

\_\_\_\_\_ ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Name Telephone Number

If your institution is a subsidiary of another institution or corporation, enter the name of your parent:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, ZIP

Enter the name and address of your supervisory agency (or your parent's supervisory agency):

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, ZIP

An officer of your institution must complete the following section.

**I certify to the accuracy of the data contained in this register.**

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of officer



**Loan/Application Register Code Sheet**

Use the following codes to complete the loan/application register. The instructions to the HMDA-LAR explain the proper use of each code.

*Application or Loan Information***Type:**

- 1—Conventional (any loan other than FHA, VA or FmHA loans)
- 2—FHA-insured (Federal Housing Administration)
- 3—VA-guaranteed (Veterans Administration)
- 4—FmHA-insured (Farmers Home Administration)

**Purpose:**

- 1—Home purchase (one- to four-family)
- 2—Home improvement (one- to four-family)
- 3—Refinancing (home purchase or home improvement, one- to four-family)
- 4—Multifamily dwelling (home purchase, home improvement, and refinancings)

**Occupancy:**

- 1—Owner-occupied as a principal dwelling
- 2—Not owner-occupied
- 3—Not applicable

**Action Taken:**

- 1—Loan originated
- 2—Application approved but not accepted by applicant
- 3—Application denied
- 4—Application withdrawn
- 5—File closed for incompleteness
- 6—Loan purchased by your institution

*Applicant Information***Race or National Origin:**

- 1—American Indian or Alaskan Native
- 2—Asian or Pacific Islander

- 3—Black
- 4—Hispanic
- 5—White
- 6—Other
- 7—Information not provided by applicant in mail or telephone application
- 8—Not applicable

**Sex:**

- 1—Male
- 2—Female
- 3—Information not provided by applicant in mail or telephone application
- 4—Not applicable

*Type of Purchaser*

- 0—Loan was not sold in calendar year covered by register
- 1—FNMA (Federal National Mortgage Association)
- 2—GNMA (Government National Mortgage Association)
- 3—FHLMC (Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation)
- 4—FmHA (Farmers Home Administration)
- 5—Commercial bank
- 6—Savings bank or savings association
- 7—Life insurance company
- 8—Affiliate institution
- 9—Other type of purchaser

*Reasons for Denial*

- 1—Debt-to-income ratio
- 2—Employment history
- 3—Credit history
- 4—Collateral
- 5—Insufficient cash (downpayment, closing costs)
- 6—Unverifiable information
- 7—Credit application incomplete
- 8—Mortgage insurance denied
- 9—Other



## APPENDIX B—Form and Instructions for Data Collection on Race or National Origin and Sex

### *I. Instructions on Collection of Data on Race or National Origin and Sex*

A. *Format.* You may list questions regarding the race or national origin and sex of the applicant on your loan application form, or on a separate form that refers to the application. (See the sample form below for recommended language.)

### B. *Procedures.*

1. You must ask for this information, but cannot require the applicant to provide it.

2. If the applicant chooses not to provide the information for an application taken in person, note this fact on the form and note the data, to the extent possible, on the basis of visual observation or surname.

3. Inform the applicant that the federal government is requesting this information in order to monitor compliance with federal statutes that prohibit lenders from discriminating against applicants on these bases. Inform the applicant that if the information is not provided where the application is taken in person, you are required to note the data on the basis of visual observation or surname.

4. If an application is made entirely by telephone, you need not request this information. And you need not provide the data when you take an application by mail, if the applicant fails to answer these questions on the application form. You should indicate whether an application was received by mail or telephone, if it is not otherwise evident on the face of the application.

5. The "other" block is available only to the applicant who chooses to indicate some other appropriate category for race or national origin. If completing the form based on visual observation, do not use this category; use one of the other five categories.

## Sample Data-Collection Form

### INFORMATION FOR GOVERNMENT MONITORING PURPOSES

The following information is requested by the federal government for certain types of loans related to a dwelling in order to monitor the lender's compliance with equal credit opportunity, fair housing, and home mortgage disclosure laws. You are not required to furnish this information, but are encouraged to do so. The law provides that a lender may not discriminate on the basis of this information, or on whether you choose to furnish it. However, if you choose not to furnish the information and you have made this application in person, under federal regulations the lender is required to note race or national origin and sex on the basis of visual observation or surname. If you do not wish to furnish the information, please check below.

#### APPLICANT:

I do not wish to furnish this information.

#### Race or National Origin:

- American Indian, Alaskan Native  
 Asian, Pacific Islander  
 Black  
 Hispanic  
 White  
 Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

#### Sex:

- Female  
 Male

#### CO-APPLICANT:

I do not wish to furnish this information.

#### Race or National Origin:

- American Indian, Alaskan Native  
 Asian, Pacific Islander  
 Black  
 Hispanic  
 White  
 Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

#### Sex:

- Female  
 Male

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# Home Mortgage Disclosure Act

12 USC 2801 et seq.; 89 Stat. 1125; Pub. L. 94-200, Title III (December 31, 1975)

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### SECTION 301—Short Title

This title may be cited as the "Home Mortgage Disclosure Act of 1975."

[12 USC 2801 note.]

### SECTION 302—Findings and Purposes

(a) The Congress finds that some depository institutions have sometimes contributed to the decline of certain geographic areas by their failure pursuant to their chartering responsibilities to provide adequate home financing to qualified applicants on reasonable terms and conditions.

(b) The purpose of this title is to provide the citizens and public officials of the United States with sufficient information to enable them to determine whether depository institutions are filling their obligations to serve the housing needs of the communities and neighborhoods in which they are located and to assist public officials in their determination of the distribution of public sector investments in a manner designed to improve the private investment environment.

(c) Nothing in this title is intended to, nor shall it be construed to, encourage unsound lending practices or the allocation of credit.

[12 USC 2801.]

### SECTION 303—Definitions

For purposes of this title—

(1) the term "mortgage loan" means a loan which is secured by residential real property or a home improvement loan;

(2) the term "depository institution"—

(A) means—

(i) any bank (as defined in section 3(a)(1) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act);

(ii) any savings association (as defined in section 3(b)(1) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act); and

(iii) any credit union,

which makes federally related mortgage loans as determined by the Board; and

(B) includes any other lending institution (as defined in paragraph (4)) other than any institution described in subparagraph (A);

(3) the term "completed application" means an application in which the creditor has received the information that is regularly obtained in evaluating applications for the amount and type of credit requested;

(4) the term "other lending institutions" means any person engaged for profit in the business of mortgage lending;

(5) the term "Board" means the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; and

(6) the term "Secretary" means the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

[12 USC 2802. As amended by acts of Feb. 5, 1988 (101 Stat. 1945) and Aug. 9, 1989 (103 Stat. 525).]

### SECTION 304—Maintenance of Records and Public Disclosure

(a)(1) Each depository institution which has a home office or branch office located within a primary metropolitan statistical area, metropolitan statistical area, or consolidated metropolitan statistical area that is not comprised of designated primary metropolitan statistical areas, as defined by the De-



partment of Commerce shall compile and make available, in accordance with regulations of the Board, to the public for inspection and copying at the home office, and at least one branch office within each primary metropolitan statistical area, metropolitan statistical area, or consolidated metropolitan statistical area that is not comprised of designated primary metropolitan statistical areas in which the depository institution has an office the number and total dollar amount of mortgage loans which were (A) originated (or for which the institution received completed applications), or (B) purchased by that institution during each fiscal year (beginning with the last full fiscal year of that institution which immediately preceded the effective date of this title.)

(2) The information required to be maintained and made available under paragraph (1) shall also be itemized in order to clearly and conspicuously disclose the following:

(A) The number and dollar amount for each item referred to in paragraph (1), by census tracts for mortgage loans secured by property located within any county with a population of more than 30,000, within that primary metropolitan statistical area, metropolitan statistical area, or consolidated metropolitan statistical area that is not comprised of designated primary metropolitan statistical areas, otherwise, by county, for mortgage loans secured by property located within any other county within that primary metropolitan statistical area, metropolitan statistical area, or consolidated metropolitan statistical area that is not comprised of designated primary metropolitan statistical areas.

(B) The number and dollar amount for each item referred to in paragraph (1) for all such mortgage loans which are secured by property located outside that primary metropolitan statistical area, metropolitan statistical area, or consolidated metropolitan statistical area that is not comprised of designated primary metropolitan statistical areas.

For the purpose of this paragraph, a depository institution which maintains offices in

more than one primary metropolitan statistical area, metropolitan statistical area, or consolidated metropolitan statistical area that is not comprised of designated primary metropolitan statistical areas shall be required to make the information required by this paragraph available at any such office only to the extent that such information relates to mortgage loans which were originated or purchased (or for which completed applications were received) by an office of that depository institution located in the primary metropolitan statistical area, metropolitan statistical area, or consolidated metropolitan statistical area that is not comprised of designated primary metropolitan statistical areas in which the office making such information available is located. For purposes of this paragraph, other lending institutions shall be deemed to have a home office or branch office within a primary metropolitan statistical area, metropolitan statistical area, or consolidated metropolitan statistical area that is not comprised of designated primary metropolitan statistical areas if such institutions have originated or purchased or received completed applications for at least 5 mortgage loans in such area in the preceding calendar year.

(b) Any item of information relating to mortgage loans required to be maintained under subsection (a) shall be further itemized in order to disclose for each such item—

(1) the number and dollar amount of mortgage loans which are insured under title II of the National Housing Act or under title V of the Housing Act of 1949 or which are guaranteed under chapter 37 of title 38, United States Code;

(2) the number and dollar amount of mortgage loans made to mortgagors who did not, at the time of execution of the mortgage, intend to reside in the property securing the mortgage loan;

(3) the number and dollar amount of home improvement loans; and

(4) the number and dollar amount of mortgage loans and completed applications involving mortgagors or mortgage applicants



grouped according to census tract, income level, racial characteristics, and gender.

(c) Any information required to be compiled and made available under this section shall be maintained and made available for a period of five years after the close of the first year during which such information is required to be maintained and made available.

(d) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a)(1), data required to be disclosed under this section for 1980 and thereafter shall be disclosed for each calendar year. Any depository institution which is required to make disclosures under this section but which has been making disclosures on some basis other than a calendar year basis shall make available a separate disclosure statement containing data for any period prior to calendar year 1980 which is not covered by the last full year report prior to the 1980 calendar year report.

(e) Subject to subsection (h), the Board shall prescribe a standard format for the disclosures required under this section.

(f) The Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council in consultation with the Secretary, shall implement a system to facilitate access to data required to be disclosed under this section. Such system shall include arrangements for a central depository of data in each primary metropolitan statistical area, metropolitan statistical area, or consolidated metropolitan statistical area that is not comprised of designated primary metropolitan statistical areas. Disclosure statements shall be made available to the public for inspection and copying at such central depository of data for all depository institutions which are required to disclose information under this section (or which are exempted pursuant to section 306(b)) and which have a home office or branch office within such primary metropolitan statistical area, metropolitan statistical area, or consolidated metropolitan statistical area that is not comprised of designated primary metropolitan statistical areas.

(g) The requirements of subsections (a) and (b) shall not apply with respect to mortgage loans that are—

(1) made (or for which completed applications are received) by any mortgage banking subsidiary of a bank holding company or savings and loan holding company or by any savings and loan service corporation that originates or purchases mortgage loans; and

(2) approved (or for which completed applications are received) by the secretary for insurance under title I or II of the National Housing Act.

(h) The data required to be disclosed under subsection (b)(4) shall be submitted to the appropriate agency for each institution reporting under this title. Notwithstanding the requirement of section 304(a)(2)(A) for disclosure by census tract, the Board, in cooperation with other appropriate regulators, including—

(1) the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency for national banks and Federal branches and Federal agencies of foreign banks;

(2) the Director of the Office of Thrift Supervision for savings associations;

(3) the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for banks insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (other than members of the Federal Reserve System), mutual savings banks, insured State branches of foreign banks, and any other depository institution described in section 303(2)(A) which is not otherwise referred to in this paragraph;

(4) the National Credit Union Administration Board for credit unions; and

(5) the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development for other lending institutions not regulated by the agencies referred to in paragraphs (1) through (4),

shall develop regulations prescribing the format for such disclosures, the method for submission of the data to the appropriate regulatory agency, and the procedures for disclosing the information to the public. These regulations shall also require the collection of data required to be disclosed under subsection (b)(4) with respect to loans sold by each institution reporting under this title, and, in addition, shall require disclosure of the class of the purchaser of such loans. Any reporting institution may submit in writing to the appro-



appropriate agency such additional data or explanations as it deems relevant to the decision to originate or purchase mortgage loans.

(i) The requirements of subsection (b)(4) shall not apply with respect to any depository institution described in section 303(2)(A) which has total assets, as of the most recent full fiscal year of such institution, of \$30,000,000 or less.

[12 USC 2803. As amended by acts of Oct. 8, 1980 (94 Stat. 1657); Nov. 30, 1983 (97 Stat. 1266); Feb. 5, 1988 (101 Stat. 1945, 1950); Aug. 9, 1989 (103 Stat. 524, 525, 526); and Dec. 19, 1991 (105 Stat. 2299).]

### SECTION 305—Enforcement

(a) The Board shall prescribe such regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this title. These regulations may contain such classifications, differentiations, or other provisions, and may provide for such adjustments and exceptions for any class of transactions, as in the judgment of the Board are necessary and proper to effectuate the purposes of this title, and prevent circumvention or evasion thereof, or to facilitate compliance therewith.

(b) Compliance with the requirements imposed under this title shall be enforced under—

(1) section 8 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, in the case of—

(A) national banks and Federal branches and Federal agencies of foreign banks, by the Office of Comptroller of the Currency;

(B) member banks of the Federal Reserve System (other than national banks), branches and agencies of foreign banks (other than Federal branches, Federal agencies, and insured State branches of foreign banks), commercial lending companies owned or controlled by foreign banks, and organizations operating under section 25 or 25A of the Federal Reserve Act, by the Board; and

(C) banks insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (other than members of the Federal Reserve System), mutual savings banks as defined in

section 3(f) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813(f)), insured State branches of foreign banks, and any other depository institution not referred to in this paragraph or paragraph (2) or (3) of this subsection, by the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation;

(2) section 8 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, by the Director of the Office of Thrift Supervision, in the case of a savings association the deposits of which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation;

(3) the Federal Credit Union Act, by the Administrator of the National Credit Union Administration with respect to any credit union; and

(4) other lending institutions, by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

The terms used in paragraph (1) that are not defined in this title or otherwise defined in section 3(s) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813(s)) shall have the meaning given to them in section 1(b) of the International Banking Act of 1978 (12 U.S.C. 3101).

(c) For the purpose of the exercise by any agency referred to in subsection (b) of its powers under any Act referred to in that subsection, a violation of any requirement imposed under this title shall be deemed to be a violation of a requirement imposed under that Act. In addition to its powers under any provision of law specifically referred to in subsection (b), each of the agencies referred to in that subsection may exercise, for the purpose of enforcing compliance with any requirement imposed under this title, any other authority conferred on it by law.

[12 USC 2804. As amended by acts of Aug. 9, 1989 (103 Stat. 440, 526) and Dec. 19, 1991 (105 Stat. 2299).]

### SECTION 306—Relation to State Laws

(a) This title does not annul, alter, or affect, or exempt any State-chartered depository institution subject to the provisions of this title from complying with the laws of any state or subdivision thereof with respect to public dis-



closure and recordkeeping by depository institutions, except to the extent that those laws are inconsistent with any provision of this title, and then only to the extent of the inconsistency. The Board is authorized to determine whether such inconsistencies exist. The Board may not determine that any such law is inconsistent with any provision of this title if the Board determines that such law requires the maintenance of records with greater geographic or other detail than is required under this title, or that such law otherwise provides greater disclosure than is required under this title.

(b) The Board may by regulation exempt from the requirements of this title any state-chartered depository institution within any state or subdivision thereof if it determines that, under the law of such state or subdivision, that institution is subject to requirements substantially similar to those imposed under this title, and that such law contains adequate provisions for enforcement. Notwithstanding any other provision of this subsection, compliance with the requirements imposed under this subsection shall be enforced under—

(1) section 8 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act in the case of national banks, by the Comptroller of the Currency; and

(2) section 8 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, by the Director of the Office of Thrift Supervision in the case of a savings association the deposits of which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

[12 USC 2805. As amended by act of Aug. 9, 1989 (103 Stat. 440).]

#### SECTION 307—Research and Improved Methods

(a)(1) The Director of the Office of Thrift Supervision, with the assistance of the Secretary, the Director of the Bureau of the Census, the Comptroller of the Currency, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and such other persons as the Director of the Office of Thrift Su-

pervision deems appropriate, shall develop, or assist in the improvement of, methods of matching addresses and census tracts to facilitate compliance by depository institutions in as economical a manner as possible with the requirements of this title.

(2) There is authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out this subsection.

(3) The Director of the Office of Thrift Supervision is authorized to utilize, contract with, act through, or compensate any person or agency in order to carry out this subsection.

(b) The Director of the Office of Thrift Supervision shall recommend to the Committee on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs of the Senate such additional legislation as the Director of the Office of Thrift Supervision deems appropriate to carry out the purpose of this title.

[12 USC 2806. As amended by H. Res. 5 of Jan. 4, 1977 and acts of Nov. 7, 1988 (102 Stat. 3280) and Aug. 9, 1989 (103 Stat. 440).]

#### SECTION 308—Study

The Board, in consultation with the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, shall report annually to the Congress on the utility of the requirements of section 304(b)(4).

[12 USC 2807. As amended by acts of Nov. 30, 1983 (97 Stat. 1266) and Aug. 9, 1989 (103 Stat. 526).]

#### SECTION 309—Effective Date

This title shall take effect on the one hundred and eightieth day beginning after the date of its enactment. Any institution specified in section 303(2)(A) which has total assets as of its last full fiscal year of \$10,000,000 or less is exempt from the provisions of this title. The Board, in consultation with the Secretary, may exempt institutions described in section 303(2)(B) that are comparable within their



respective industries to institutions that are exempt under the preceding sentence.

[12 USC 2808. As amended by act of Dec. 19, 1991 (105 Stat. 2307).]

#### SECTION 310—Compilation of Aggregate Data

(a) Beginning with data for calendar year 1980, the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council shall compile each year, for each primary metropolitan statistical area, metropolitan statistical area, or consolidated metropolitan statistical area that is not comprised of designated primary metropolitan statistical areas, aggregate data by census tract for all depository institutions which are required to disclose data under section 304 or which are exempt pursuant to section 306(b). The Council shall also produce tables indicating, for each primary metropolitan statistical area, metropolitan statistical area, or consolidated metropolitan statistical area that is not comprised of designated primary metropolitan statistical areas, aggregate lending patterns for various categories of census tracts grouped according to location, age of housing stock, income level, and racial characteristics.

(b) The Board shall provide staff and data processing resources to the Council to enable it to carry out the provisions of subsection (a).

(c) The data and tables required pursuant to subsection (a) shall be made available to the public by no later than December 31 of the year following the calendar year on which the data is based.

[12 USC 2809. As added by act of Oct. 8, 1980 (94 Stat. 1658) and amended by act of Nov. 30, 1983 (97 Stat. 1266).]

#### SECTION 311—Disclosure by the Secretary

Beginning with data for calendar year 1980, the Secretary shall make publicly available data in the Secretary's possession for each mortgagee which is not otherwise subject to the requirements of this title and which is not exempt pursuant to section 306(b) (and for each mortgagee making mortgage loans exempted under section 304(g)), with respect to mortgage loans approved (or for which completed applications are received) by the Secretary for insurance under title I or II of the National Housing Act. Such data to be disclosed shall consist of data comparable to the data which would be disclosed if such mortgagee were subject to the requirements of section 304. Disclosure statements containing data for each such mortgage for a primary metropolitan statistical area, metropolitan statistical area, or consolidated metropolitan statistical area that is not comprised of designated primary metropolitan statistical areas shall, at a minimum, be publicly available at the central depository of data established pursuant to section 304(f) for such primary metropolitan statistical area, metropolitan statistical area, or consolidated metropolitan statistical area that is not comprised of designated primary metropolitan statistical areas. The Secretary shall also compile and make publicly available aggregate data for such mortgagees by census tract, and tables indicating aggregate lending patterns, in a manner comparable to the information required to be made publicly available in accordance with section 310.

[12 USC 2810. As added by act of Oct. 8, 1980 (94 Stat. 1658) and amended by acts of Nov. 30, 1983 (97 Stat. 1266); Feb. 5, 1988 (101 Stat. 1945); and Aug. 9, 1989 (103 Stat. 525).]