§ 1806.100 Purpose.

The purpose of the Bank Enterprise Award Program is to provide financial assistance to Community Development Financial Institutions, and provide an incentive for insured depository institutions to increase their activities in Distressed Communities.

§ 1806.101 Summary.

(a) Under the Bank Enterprise Award Program, the Fund makes awards to selected Applicants that:

(1) Increase their investments in or other support of Community Development Financial Institutions;

(2) Increase lending and investment activities within Distressed Communities; or

(3) Increase the provision of certain services and assistance.

(b) Distressed Communities must meet minimum geographic, poverty and unemployment criteria.

(c) Applicants are selected to participate in the program through a competitive application process. Awards are based on increases in Qualified Activities that are carried out by the Applicant during an Assessment Period. Bank Enterprise Awards are distributed after successful completion of projected Qualified Activities and must be used for BEA Qualified Activities. All awards shall be made subject to the availability of funding.

§ 1806.102 Relationship to other Community Development Financial Institutions Programs.

Prohibition against double funding. A BEA Applicant may not submit as Qualified Activities any transactions funded with award proceeds from another Fund program.

§ 1806.103 Definitions.

For purposes of this part the following terms shall have the following definitions:

(a) Act means the Community Development Banking and Financial Institutions Act of 1994, as amended (12 U.S.C. 4701 et seq.);

(b) Affordable Housing Development Loan means origination of a loan to finance the acquisition, construction, and/or development of single- or multifamily residential real property, where at least sixty percent of the units in such property are affordable, as may be defined in the applicable NOFA, to Low- and Moderate-Income Eligible Residents.

(c) Affordable Housing Loan means origination of a loan to finance the purchase or improvement of the borrower’s primary residence, and that is secured by such property, where such borrower is a Low- and Moderate-Income Eligible Resident. Affordable Housing Loan may also refer to second (or otherwise subordinated) liens or “soft second” mortgages, and other similar types of down payment assistance loans but may not necessarily be secured by such property originated for the purpose of facilitating the purchase or improvement of the borrower’s primary residence, where such borrower is a Low- and Moderate-Income Eligible Resident.

(d) Applicant means any insured depository institution (as defined in section 3(c)(2) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813)) that is applying for a Bank Enterprise Award;

(e) Appropriate Federal Banking Agency has the same meaning as in section 3 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813);

(f) Assessment Period means an annual or semi-annual period specified in the applicable Notice of Funds Availability in which an Applicant will carry out, or has carried out, Qualified Activities;

(g) Award Agreement means a formal agreement between the Fund and an Awardee pursuant to §1806.300;

(h) Awardee means an Applicant selected by the Fund to receive a Bank Enterprise Award;

(i) Bank Enterprise Award (or BEA Program Award) means an award made to an Applicant pursuant to this part;

(j) Bank Enterprise Award (or BEA) Program means the program authorized by section 114 of the Act and implemented under this part;

(k) Baseline Period means an annual or semi-annual period specified in the applicable NOFA in which an Applicant has previously carried out Qualified Activities;

(l) Commercial Real Estate Loan means an origination of a loan (other than an...