§ 207.258a Title requirements.

(a) Form of title evidence. The title evidence submitted with a conveyance of the property to the Commissioner shall be in the form of an owner’s policy of title insurance, except that, if an abstract and attorney’s opinion were accepted by the Commissioner at the time of insurance, the title evidence may be in such form. The title evidence shall be effective on or after the date of the recording of the conveyance to the Commissioner.

(b) Content of title evidence. To be satisfactory to the Commissioner, the title evidence covering the property conveyed to him shall show the same title vested in the Commissioner as was vested in the mortgagor as of the date of the mortgage was filed for record, with the exception of such liens or other matters affecting the title as may be approved by the Commissioner.

§ 207.258b Partial payment of claim.

(a) Whenever the Commissioner receives notice under §207.258 of a mortgagor’s intention to file an insurance claim and to assign the mortgage to the Commissioner, the Commissioner may request the mortgagor, in lieu of assignment, to accept partial payment of the claim under the mortgage insurance contract and to recast the mortgage, under such terms and conditions as the Commissioner may determine.

(b) The Commissioner may request the mortgagor to participate in a partial payment of claim in lieu of assignment only after a determination that partial payment would be less costly to the Federal government than other reasonable alternatives for maintaining the low- and moderate-income character of the project. This determination shall be based upon the findings listed below and such other findings as the Commissioner deems appropriate:

1. The mortgagor is entitled, under §207.255, to assign the mortgage in exchange for the payment of insurance benefits;
2. The relief resulting from partial payment, when considered with other resources available to the project, would be sufficient to restore the financial viability of the project;
3. The project is, or can at reasonable cost be made, structurally sound;
4. The management of the project is satisfactory to the Commissioner; and
5. The default under the insured mortgage was beyond the control of the mortgagor.

(c) Partial payment of a claim under this section shall be made only when:

1. The project is, or potentially could serve as, a low- and moderate-income housing resource;
2. The property covered by the mortgage is free and clear of all liens other than the insured first mortgage and such other liens as the Commissioner may have approved;
3. The mortgagor has voluntarily agreed to accept partial payment of the insurance claim under the mortgage insurance contract and to recast the remaining mortgage amount under terms and conditions prescribed by the Commissioner; and
4. The mortgagor has agreed to repay to the Commissioner an amount equal to the partial payment, with the obligation secured by a second mortgage on the project containing terms and conditions prescribed by the Commissioner. The terms of the second mortgage will be determined on a case-by-case basis to assure that the estimated project income will be sufficient to cover estimated operating expenses and debt service on the recast insured mortgage. The Commissioner may provide for postponed amortization of the second mortgage.

(d) Payment of insurance benefits under this section shall be in cash. The
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§ 207.259 Insurance benefits.

(a) Method of payment. Upon either an assignment of the mortgage to the Commissioner or a conveyance of the property to him in accordance with requirements in §207.258, payment of an insurance claim shall be made in cash, in debentures, or in a combination of both, as determined by the Commissioner either at, or prior to, the time of payment, except where the mortgage is insured pursuant to:

(1) Section 223(e) of the National Housing Act, or

(2) Section 223(f) of the Act and at the time of the insurance endorsement, (i) the mortgage met the special eligibility requirements contained in §207.32a(k) or (ii) the mortgage covered a property to be rehabilitated under part 511 or part 850 of this title, such claim shall be paid in cash, unless the mortgagee files a written request, with the application, for payment in debentures. A claim paid in cash on a mortgage insured under section 223(e) shall be paid from the Special Risk Insurance Fund. If the mortgagee files an application for payment in debentures on a claim on a mortgage insured under section 223(e) or 223(f), the claim shall be paid by issuing debentures and by paying any balance in cash.

(b) Amount of payment; assignment of mortgage. If the mortgage is assigned to the Commissioner, the insurance benefits shall be paid in an amount determined as follows:

(1) By adding to the unpaid principal amount of the mortgage, computed as of the date of default, the following items:

(i) The amount of all payments made by the mortgagee for taxes, special assessments and water rates which are liens prior to the mortgage; for insurance on the property; and for any mortgage insurance premiums paid after default.

(ii) An allowance for reasonable payments made by the mortgagee, with the approval of the Commissioner, for the completion and preservation of the property.

(iii) An amount equivalent to the debenture interest which would have been earned on the portion of the insurance benefits paid in cash, except that when the mortgagee fails to meet any one of the applicable requirements of §§207.256 and 207.258 within the specified time and in a manner satisfactory to the Commissioner (or within such further time as the Commissioner may approve in writing), the interest allowance in such cash payment shall be computed only to the date on which the particular required action should have been taken or to which it was extended.

(2) By deducting from the total of the items computed under paragraph (b)(1) of this section, the following items:

(i) Any amount received by the mortgagee on account of the mortgage after the date of default.

(ii) Any net income received by the mortgagee from the property covered by the mortgage after the date of default.

(iii) The sum of the cash items retained by the mortgagee pursuant to §207.258(b)(3), except the balance of the mortgage loan not advanced to the mortgagor.

(iv) An amount equivalent to 1 percent of the mortgage funds advanced to the mortgagor and not repaid as of the date of default, except that all or part of the 1 percent may be waived by the Commissioner if, at his request and in