

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

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Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Comment Request; Application for Approval—FHA Lender and/or Ginnie Mae Mortgage-Backed Securities Issuer Branch Office Notification—Title I/Title II

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing, HUD; Government National Mortgage Association, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: *Comments Due Date:* October 25, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Wayne Eddins, Reports Management Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW, L'Enfant Building, Room 8202, Washington, DC 20410.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For copies of the proposed forms and other available information: FHA contact Ron Schwartz, Lender Approval and Recertification Division, telephone number (202) 708-3976 (this is not a toll-free number); Ginnie Mae contact Sonya Suarez, Office of Policy, Planning and Risk Management, telephone number (202) 708-2772 (this is not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department is submitting the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

The Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to

be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Form HUD-11701/92001, Application for Approval-FHA Lender and/or Ginnie Mae Mortgage-Backed Securities Issuer; Form HUD-92001-B, Branch Office Notification-Title I/Title II.

OMB Control Number, if applicable: 2502-0005; 2503-0012.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: This notice requests OMB information collection authorization to update forms and to replace expired forms. HUD's collection of information on Form HUD-11701/92001 is needed to determine if the lender should be approved to participate in the federally insured housing programs or in the Ginnie Mae mortgage-backed securities program. The current application forms for mortgagee approval have expiration dates that must be renewed so that this procedure can continue.

The application forms have been consolidated into two forms, Form HUD-11701/92001 and Form HUD-92001-B. Form HUD-92001-B is used for requests for branch office approval when it is not possible to accomplish this through electronic means. Form HUD-11701/92001 is used for all other requests for approval.

The burden associated with this approval process is the minimum required to achieve program objectives. The information collection frequency is the minimum consistent with program objectives. The frequency cannot change because it applies when a lender requests initial approval.

Agency Form Numbers, if applicable: Form HUD-11701/92001; Form HUD-92001-B.

Estimation of the total numbers of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response: Form HUD-11701/92001: The estimated number of respondents is 1830 (FHA 1780; Ginnie Mae 50), the total annual responses is about 1830 (FHA 1780; Ginnie Mae 50), and the total annual hours of response are estimated at 2288 (FHA-2225; Ginnie Mae 63).

Form HUD-92001-B: The estimated number of respondents is 2300, the total annual responses is about 2300, and the total annual hours of response are estimated at 575.

Status of the proposed information collection: Reinstatement.

Form HUD-11701/92001 consolidates and replaces Form HUD-11701/92001, Form HUD-92001-C, Form HUD-92001-D, Form 92001-E, Form 92001-L, Form HUD-92001-LD, Form HUD-92001-LE.

Form HUD-92001-B replaces Form HUD-92001-B and Form HUD-92001-LB. Information for certain lenders, which was formerly collected on Form HUD-92001-B, is now collected electronically.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C., Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: August 18, 1999.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**National Park Service**

60-Day Notice of Intention To Request Clearance of Collection of Information; Opportunity for Public Comment

AGENCY: Department of the Interior, National Park Service.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 and 5 CFR Part 1320, Reporting and Record Keeping Requirements, the National Park Service (NPS) invites public comments on a proposed collection of information. NPS specifically requests comments on: (1) The need for the information being collected, including whether the information has practical utility; (2) the validity and accuracy of the reporting burden estimate; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

NPS requests comments on a proposed research and collecting permit and reporting system that will consolidate and streamline an existing array of information collection instruments used by applicants to apply to parks for research and collecting permits for natural or social science activities that require permits. NPS will use the information you submit to