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## OFFICE OF THE FEDERAL REGISTER

### 1 CFR Part 51

[NARA-12-0002]

#### Incorporation by Reference

**AGENCY:** Office of the Federal Register, National Archives and Records Administration.

**ACTION:** Extension of the comment period.

**SUMMARY:** On February 13, 2012, the Office of the Federal Register (OFR or we) received a petition to amend our regulations governing the approval of agency requests to incorporate material by reference into the Code of Federal Regulations. We published an announcement of the petition and request for comments on February 27, 2012. Since that time we have received one formal and several informal requests to extend the comment period. We are extending the comment period until June 1, 2012. We will not accept late comments.

**DATES:** We are extending the comment period until June 1, 2012. We will not accept late comments.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified using the subject line of this document, by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- *Email:* [Fedreg.legal@nara.gov](mailto:Fedreg.legal@nara.gov).

Include the subject line of this document in the subject line of the message.

- *Mail:* the Office of the Federal Register (NF), The National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD.

- *Hand Delivery/Courier:* Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street NW., Suite 700, Washington, DC 20001.

Docket materials are available at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street NW., Suite 700, Washington, DC 20001, 202-741-6030.

Please contact the persons listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section to schedule your inspection of docket materials. The Office of the Federal Register's official hours of business are Monday through Friday, 8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m., excluding Federal holidays.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Amy Bunk, Director of Legal Affairs and Policy, or Miriam Vincent, Staff Attorney, Office of the Federal Register, at [Fedreg.legal@nara.gov](mailto:Fedreg.legal@nara.gov), or 202-741-6030.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Office of the Federal Register (OFR or we) received a petition to revise our regulations at 1 CFR part 51 on February 13, 2012. We published an announcement of the petition and a request for comments on February 27, 2012. 77 FR 11414. You can view the petition and its suggested revisions to the regulations 1 CFR part 51 on [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). At the [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) main page type NARA-12-0002 in the search box to find the docket for this petition.

Since we published the announcement, we have received several informal and one formal request to extend the comment period on the petition. After considering the requests, we have decided to extend the comment period to June 1, 2012. Because this extension gives commenters more than 90 days to consider the petition and submit comments on its merits, we will not accept comments received after June 1, 2012.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

### 5 CFR Part 7501

[Docket No. FR-5542-P-01]

RIN 2501-AD55

#### Supplemental Standards of Ethical Conduct for Employees of the Department of Housing and Urban Development; Republication

##### Republication

**Editorial Note:** Proposed rule document 2012-06177 was originally published on pages 14997 through 15003 in the issue of Wednesday, March 14, 2012. In that publication an incorrect version of the document was published. The corrected document is republished in its entirety.

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), with the concurrence of the Office of Government Ethics (OGE), seeks comments on the proposed amendments to HUD's Supplemental Standards of Ethical Conduct, which are regulations for HUD officers and employees that supplement the Standards of Ethical Conduct for Employees of the Executive Branch (Standards) issued by OGE. To ensure a comprehensive and effective ethics program at HUD, and to address ethical issues unique to HUD, the proposed rule reflects statutory changes that were enacted subsequent to the promulgation of HUD's Supplemental Standards of Conduct regulation in 1996; significantly, the transfer of general regulatory authority over the Federal National Mortgage Association and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation from HUD to the Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA). In addition, the proposed rule revises definitions used in HUD's Supplemental Standards of Conduct to reflect updated titles and positions and clarifies existing prohibitions on certain financial interests and outside employment to better guide employee conduct, while upholding the integrity of HUD in the administration of its programs.

**DATES:** *Comment Due Date:* May 14, 2012.