

CHART 3—VARIABLE-RATE DIRECT SUBSIDIZED AND DIRECT UNSUBSIDIZED CONSOLIDATION LOANS

Cohort		Max. rate (percent)	Index rate (percent)	Margin (percent)		Total rate (percent)	
First disbursed on or after	First disbursed before		91-day T-bill rate (percent)	In-school, grace, deferment	All other periods	In-school, grace, deferment	All other periods
7/1/1994	7/1/1995	8.25	0.05	3.10	3.10	3.15	3.15
7/1/1995	7/1/1998	8.25	0.05	2.50	3.10	2.55	3.15
7/1/1998	10/1/1998	8.25	0.05	1.70	2.30	1.75	2.35
10/1/1998	* 10/1/1998	8.25	0.05	1.70	2.30	1.75	2.35
10/1/1998*	* 2/1/1999	8.25	0.05	2.30	2.30	2.35	2.35

CHART 4—VARIABLE-RATE DIRECT PLUS CONSOLIDATION LOANS

Cohort		Max. rate (percent)	Index rate (percent)		Margin (percent)		Total rate (percent)	
First disbursed on or after	First disbursed before		91-day T-bill rate	1-Year constant treasury maturity	In-school, grace, deferment	All other periods	In-school, grace, deferment	All other periods
7/1/1994	7/1/1998	9.00	.....	0.13	3.10	3.10	3.23	3.23
7/1/1998	10/1/1998	9.00	0.05	.....	3.10	3.10	3.15	3.15
10/1/1998	* 10/1/1998	9.00	0.05	.....	3.10	3.10	3.15	3.15
10/1/1998*	* 2/1/1999	8.25	0.05	.....	2.30	2.30	2.35	2.35

CHART 5—FIXED-RATE DIRECT SUBSIDIZED, DIRECT UNSUBSIDIZED, DIRECT PLUS LOANS, AND DIRECT CONSOLIDATION LOANS

Loan type	Student grade level	First disbursed on or after	First disbursed before	Rate (percent)
Subsidized	Undergraduates	7/1/2006	7/1/2008	6.80
Subsidized	Undergraduates	7/1/2008	7/1/2009	6.00
Subsidized	Undergraduates	7/1/2009	7/1/2010	5.60
Subsidized	Undergraduates	7/1/2010	7/1/2011	4.50
Subsidized	Undergraduates	7/1/2011	7/1/2013	3.40
Subsidized	Graduate/Professional Students	7/1/2006	7/1/2012	6.80
Unsubsidized	All	7/1/2006	7/1/2013	6.80
PLUS	Parents and Graduate/Professionals.	7/1/2006	7/1/2013	7.90
Consolidation	All	2/1/1999	7/1/2013	Weighted average of rates on the loans included in the consolidation, rounded to 1/8 of 1 percent, up to 8.25 percent.

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Program Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1087 et seq.

Dated: August 26, 2013.

James F. Manning,
Chief of Staff of Federal Student Aid, delegated the authority to perform the functions and duties of the Chief Operating Officer of Federal Student Aid.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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Annual Notice of Interest Rates of Federal Student Loans Made Under the Federal Family Education Loan Program Prior to July 1, 2010

AGENCY: Federal Student Aid, Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 427A of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, the Chief Operating Officer for Federal Student Aid announces the interest rates for the period July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2014, for certain loans made under the Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL)

Program prior to July 1, 2010. The Chief Operating Officer takes this action to give notice of FFEL Program loan interest rates to the public.

DATES: This notice is effective August 29, 2013.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ian Foss, U.S. Department of Education, 830 First Street NE., Room 11411, Washington, DC 20202. Telephone: (202) 377-3681 or by email: ian.foss@ed.gov.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 427A of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA) (20 U.S.C. 1077a), provides formulas for determining the interest rates charged to borrowers on loans made under the Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL) Program, including Federal Subsidized and Unsubsidized Stafford Loans, Federal PLUS Loans, and Federal Consolidation Loans.

The FFEL Program includes loans with variable interest rates and loans with fixed interest rates. Most loans made under the FFEL Program before July 1, 2006, have variable interest rates that change each year. In most cases, the variable interest rate formula that applies to a particular loan usually depends on the date of the first disbursement of the loan. The variable

rates are determined annually and are effective for each 12-month period beginning July 1 of one year and ending June 30 of the following year.

Under section 427A(k) of the HEA, FFEL Program loans first disbursed on or after July 1, 2006, have a fixed interest rate.

In the case of some Federal Consolidation Loans, the interest rate is determined by the date on which the Federal Consolidation Loan application was received. Federal Consolidation Loans for which the application was received on or after October 1, 1998, have a fixed interest rate. This fixed rate is based on the weighted average of the loans that are consolidated, rounded up to the nearest higher 1/8 of one percent up to a maximum rate of 8.25 percent.

FFEL variable interest rates are based on formulas that use the bond equivalent rate of the 91-day Treasury bills auctioned at the final auction held before June 1 of each year plus a statutorily established add-on. These formulas apply to: All Federal Subsidized and Unsubsidized Stafford Loans first disbursed before October 1, 1992, that have been converted to variable rate loans; all Federal Subsidized and Unsubsidized Stafford PLUS Loans first disbursed on or after July 1, 1998, and before July 1, 2006; and Federal Consolidation Loans for which the Federal Consolidation Loan application was received on or after November 13, 1997, and before October 1, 1998. In each case, the calculated rate is capped by a maximum interest rate. The bond equivalent rate of the 91-day Treasury bills auctioned on May 28,

2013, which is used to calculate the interest rates on these loans, is 0.046 percent, which is rounded to 0.05 percent.

For Federal PLUS loans first disbursed before July 1, 1998, the interest rate is based on the weekly average of the one-year constant maturity Treasury yield, as published by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System on the last day of the calendar week ending on or before June 26 of each year, plus a statutory add-on percentage. The calculated rate is capped by a maximum interest rate. The weekly average of the one-year constant maturity Treasury yield published on June 21, 2013, which is used to calculate the interest rate on these loans, is 0.13 percent.

This notice includes five charts containing specific information on the calculation of interest rates for loans made under the FFEL Program:

Chart 1 contains information on the interest rates for Federal Subsidized and Unsubsidized Stafford Loans that were made as fixed-rate loans, but were subsequently converted to variable-rate loans.

Chart 2 contains information on the interest rates for variable-rate Federal Subsidized and Unsubsidized Stafford Loans.

Chart 3 contains information on the interest rates for variable-rate Federal PLUS Loans.

Chart 4 contains information on the interest rates for fixed-rate Federal Consolidation Loans.

Chart 5 contains information on the interest rates for fixed-rate Federal Subsidized and Unsubsidized Stafford and PLUS Loans.

CHART 1—"CONVERTED" VARIABLE-RATE FEDERAL SUBSIDIZED AND UNSUBSIDIZED STAFFORD LOANS

Cohort		Original fixed interest rate (percent)	Max. rate (percent)	91-Day T-Bill rate (percent)	Margin (percent)	Total rate (percent)
First disbursed on or after	First disbursed before					
7/1/1988	7/23/1992	8.00, increasing to 10.00	10.00	0.05	3.25	3.30
7/23/1992	10/1/1992	8.00, increasing to 10.00	10.00	0.05	3.25	3.30
7/23/1992	7/1/1994	7.00	7.00	0.05	3.10	3.15
7/23/1992	7/1/1994	8.00	8.00	0.05	3.10	3.15
7/23/1992	7/1/1994	9.00	9.00	0.05	3.10	3.15
7/23/1992	7/1/1994	8.00, increasing to 10.00	10.00	0.05	3.10	3.15

Note: The FFEL Program loans represented by the second row of the chart were only made to "new borrowers" on or after July 23, 1992. Whether the FFEL Program loans

represented by the third through sixth rows of the chart were made to a specific borrower depends on the interest rate on a borrower's existing loans at the time that the borrower

received the loans between July 23, 1992 and prior to July 1, 1994.

In Charts 2 and 3, a dagger following a date in a cohort field indicates that the trigger for the rate to apply is a period of enrollment for which the loan was intended either “ending before” or “beginning on or after” the date in the cohort field.

CHART 2—VARIABLE-RATE FEDERAL SUBSIDIZED AND UNSUBSIDIZED STAFFORD LOANS

Cohort		Max. rate (percent)	91-Day T-Bill rate (percent)	Margin (percent)		Total Rate (percent)	
First disbursed on or after	First disbursed before			In-school, grace, deferment	All other periods	In-school, grace, deferment	All other periods
10/1/1992	7/1/1994	9.00	0.05	3.10	3.10	3.15	3.15
7/1/1994	† 7/1/1994	9.00	0.05	3.10	3.10	3.15	3.15
7/1/1994	7/1/1995	8.25	0.05	3.10	3.10	3.15	3.15
7/1/1995	7/1/1998	8.25	0.05	2.50	3.10	2.55	3.15
7/1/1998	7/1/2006	8.25	0.05	1.70	2.30	1.75	2.35

Note: The FFEL Program loans represented in the first row in Chart 2 were only made to “new borrowers” on or after October 1, 1992. The FFEL Program loans represented in the second row in Chart 2 were only made to “new borrowers” on or after July 1, 1994. The FFEL Program loans represented in the third row in Chart 2 must—in addition to having been first disbursed on or after July 1, 1994, and before July 1, 1995—have been made for a period of enrollment that began on or included July 1, 1994.

In Charts 3 and 4, an asterisk following a date in a cohort field indicates that the relevant trigger is an application for a Federal Consolidation Loan being received either “on or after” or “before” the date in the cohort field. For example, the sixth row in Chart 3 describes the interest rate for a Federal Consolidation Loan for which the application was received on or after November 13, 1997, but before October 1, 1998.

CHART 3—VARIABLE-RATE FEDERAL PLUS, SLS, AND CONSOLIDATION LOANS

Loan type	Cohort		Max. rate (percent)	Index rate (percent)		Margin (percent)	Total rate (percent)
	First disbursed on or after	First disbursed before		91-Day T-Bill rate	1-Year constant treasury maturity		
PLUS and SLS .....	.....	10/1/1992	12.00	.....	0.13	3.25	3.38
SLS	10/1/1992	† 7/1/1994	11.00	.....	0.13	3.10	3.23
PLUS	10/1/1992	7/1/1994	10.00	.....	0.13	3.10	3.23
PLUS	7/1/1994	7/1/1998	9.00	.....	0.13	3.10	3.23
PLUS	7/1/1998	7/1/2006	9.00	0.05	.....	3.10	3.15
Consolidation	* 11/13/1997	* 10/1/1998	8.25	0.05	.....	3.10	3.15
HHS Portion of Consolidation .....	.....	.....	.....	0.05	.....	3.00	3.05

The last row in Chart 3 refers to portions of Federal Consolidation Loans attributable to loans made by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services under subpart I of part A of title VII of the Public Health Service Act.

CHART 4—FIXED-RATE CONSOLIDATION LOANS

First disbursed on or after	First disbursed before	Max. rate (percent)	Rate
.....	7/1/1994	.....	Weighted average of rates on the loans included in the consolidation, rounded to nearest whole percent, but not less than 9.00%.
7/1/1994	* 11/13/1997	.....	Weighted average of rates on the loans included in the consolidation, rounded upward to nearest whole percent.
10/1/1998	7/1/2010	8.25	Weighted average of rates on the loans included in the consolidation, rounded to the nearest higher 1/8 of 1 percent.

CHART 5—FIXED-RATE FEDERAL SUBSIDIZED AND UNSUBSIDIZED STAFFORD AND PLUS LOANS

Loan type	Student grade level	First disbursed on or after	First disbursed before	Rate (percent)
Subsidized	Undergraduate Students	7/1/2006	7/1/2008	6.80
Subsidized	Undergraduate Students	7/1/2008	7/1/2009	6.00
Subsidized	Undergraduate Students	7/1/2009	7/1/2010	5.60
Subsidized	Graduate/Professional Students	7/1/2006	7/1/2010	6.80

CHART 5—FIXED-RATE FEDERAL SUBSIDIZED AND UNSUBSIDIZED STAFFORD AND PLUS LOANS—Continued

Loan type	Student grade level	First disbursed on or after	First disbursed before	Rate (percent)
Unsubsidized	All Students	7/1/2006	7/1/2010	6.80
PLUS	Parents and Graduate/Professional Students	7/1/2006	7/1/2010	8.50

Note: No new loans have been made under the FFEL Program since June 30, 2010.

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Program Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1071 et seq.
Dated: August 26, 2013.

James F. Manning,

Chief of Staff of Federal Student Aid, delegated the authority to perform the functions and duties of the Chief Operating Officer of Federal Student Aid.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Agency Information Collection Extension

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy.

ACTION: Submission for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) review; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) has submitted an information collection request to the OMB for extension under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection requests a three-year extension of its Financial Assistance Information Collection, OMB Control Number 1910–0400. This information collection request covers information necessary to administer and manage DOE's financial assistance programs.

DATES: Comments regarding this collection must be received on or before September 30, 2013. If you anticipate difficulty in submitting comments within that period or if you want access to the collection of information, without charge, contact the person listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to the following: DOE Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10102, 735 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Richard Bonnell by email at richard.bonnell@hq.doe.gov. Please put “2013 DOE Agency Information Collection Extension” in the subject line when sending an email.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This information collection request contains: (1) *OMB No.:* 1910–0400 (Renewal); (2) *Information Collection Request Title:* DOE Financial Assistance Information Clearance; (3) *Type of Request:* Renewal; (4) *Purpose:* This package contains information collections necessary to annually plan, solicit, negotiate, award, administer, and closeout grants and cooperative agreements under the Department's financial assistance programs; (5) *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 41,340; (6) *Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 573,732; and (7) *Number of Collections:* The information collection request contains 16 information and/or recordkeeping requirements; (8) *Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden:* \$0.

Statutory Authority: Federal Grant and Cooperative Agreement Act, 31 U.S.C. 6301–6308. Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13).

Issued in Washington, DC, on August 21, 2013.

David Boyd,

Deputy Director, Office of Acquisition and Project Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Improving Performance of Federal Permitting and Review of Infrastructure Projects

AGENCY: Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Request for Information (RFI).

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy's Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, in collaboration with the Member Agencies of the Steering Committee (Member Agencies) created under Executive Order 13604 of March 22, 2012, and pursuant to the June 7, 2013 Transmission Presidential Memorandum, is seeking information on a draft Integrated, Interagency Pre-Application (IIP) Process for significant onshore electric transmission projects requiring Federal Authorization(s).

DATES: Comments must be received on or before September 30, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to: Julie A. Smith or Christopher Lawrence, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, Mail Code: OE–20, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585. Because of delays in handling conventional mail, it is recommended that documents be transmitted by electronic mail to juliea.smith@hq.doe.gov or christopher.lawrence@hq.doe.gov, or by facsimile to 202–586–7031.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julie A. Smith (Program Office) at 202–586–7668, or by email to juliea.smith@hq.doe.gov; or Christopher Lawrence (Program Office) at 202–586–7680, or by email to christopher.lawrence@hq.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Modernizing our Nation's electric transmission grid requires improvements in how transmission lines are sited, permitted, and reviewed. As part of its efforts to improve the performance of Federal siting, permitting, and review processes for infrastructure development, the Administration created a Rapid Response Team for Transmission (RRTT), a collaborative effort involving nine executive departments and