

Dated: January 15, 2021.

On behalf of the Commission.

**Ellen L. Weintraub,**

*Commissioner, Federal Election Commission.*

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## FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY

[No. 2021-N-1]

### Notice of Annual Adjustment of the Cap on Average Total Assets That Defines Community Financial Institutions

**AGENCY:** Federal Housing Finance Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA) has adjusted the cap on average total assets that is used in determining whether a Federal Home Loan Bank (Bank) member qualifies as a “community financial institution” (CFI) to \$1,239,000,000, based on the annual percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers (CPI-U), as published by the Department of Labor (DOL). These changes took effect on January 1, 2021.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** James Hedrick, Division of Federal Home Loan Bank Regulation, (202) 649-3319, [James.Hedrick@fhfa.gov](mailto:James.Hedrick@fhfa.gov); or R. Winston Sale, Assistant General Counsel, (202) 649-3081, [Winston.Sale@fhfa.gov](mailto:Winston.Sale@fhfa.gov), (not toll-free numbers), Federal Housing Finance Agency, Constitution Center, 400 Seventh Street SW, Washington, DC 20219.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### I. Statutory and Regulatory Background

The Federal Home Loan Bank Act (Bank Act) confers upon insured depository institutions that meet the statutory definition of a CFI certain advantages over non-CFI insured depository institutions in qualifying for Bank membership, and in the purposes for which they may receive long-term advances and the collateral they may pledge to secure advances.<sup>1</sup> Section 2(10)(A) of the Bank Act and § 1263.1 of FHFA’s regulations define a CFI as any Bank member the deposits of which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and that has average total assets below the statutory cap.<sup>2</sup> The Bank Act was amended in 2008 to set the statutory cap at \$1

billion and to require FHFA to adjust the cap annually to reflect the percentage increase in the CPI-U, as published by the DOL.<sup>3</sup> For 2020, FHFA set the CFI asset cap at \$1,224,000,000, which reflected a 2.1 percent increase over 2019, based upon the increase in the CPI-U between 2019 and 2020.<sup>4</sup>

#### II. The CFI Asset Cap for 2021

As of January 1, 2021, FHFA has increased the CFI asset cap to \$1,239,000,000, which reflects a 1.2 percent increase in the unadjusted CPI-U from November 2019 to November 2020. Consistent with the practice of other Federal agencies, FHFA bases the annual adjustment to the CFI asset cap on the percentage increase in the CPI-U from November of the year prior to the preceding calendar year to November of the preceding calendar year, because the November figures represent the most recent available data as of January 1st of the current calendar year. The new CFI asset cap was obtained by applying the percentage increase in the CPI-U to the unrounded amount for the preceding year and rounding to the nearest million, as has been FHFA’s practice for all previous adjustments.

In calculating the CFI asset cap, FHFA uses CPI-U data that have not been seasonally adjusted (*i.e.*, the data have not been adjusted to remove the estimated effect of price changes that normally occur at the same time and in about the same magnitude every year). The DOL encourages use of unadjusted CPI-U data in applying “escalation” provisions such as that governing the CFI asset cap, because the factors that are used to seasonally adjust the data are amended annually, and seasonally adjusted data that are published earlier are subject to revision for up to five years following their original release. Unadjusted data are not routinely subject to revision, and previously published unadjusted data are only corrected when significant calculation errors are discovered.

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<sup>3</sup> See 12 U.S.C. 1422(10)(B); 12 CFR 1263.1 (defining the term *CFI asset cap*).

<sup>4</sup> See 85 FR 3680 (Jan. 22, 2020).

## FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT BOARD

### Notice of Board Meeting

**DATES:** January 26, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Telephonic. Dial-in (listen only) information: Number: 1-415-527-5035, Code: 199 601 5134; or via web: <https://tspmeet.webex.com/tspmeet/onstage/g.php?MTID=e84524dda563a8355830b6e7b51e26b53>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kimberly Weaver, Director, Office of External Affairs, (202) 942-1640.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Board Meeting Agenda

##### Open Session

1. Approval of the December 21, 2020 Board Meeting Minutes
2. Monthly Reports
  - (a) Participant Activity Report
  - (b) Legislative Report
3. Quarterly Reports
  - (c) Investment Policy
  - (d) Budget Review
  - (e) Audit Status
4. Internal Audit Update
5. Annual Expense Ratio Review
6. Multi-asset Manager Update
7. Recordkeeping Services Acquisition (RKSA) Update

##### Closed Session

8. Information covered under 5 U.S.C. 552b (c)(9)(B).

**Authority:** 5 U.S.C. 552b (e)(1).

Dated: January 14, 2021.

**Dharmesh Vashee,**

*Acting General Counsel, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

### NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[OMB Control No. 9000-0001; Docket No. 2020-0053; Sequence No. 14]

#### Submission for OMB Review; Standard Form 28, Affidavit of Individual Surety

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act, the

<sup>1</sup> See 12 U.S.C. 1424(a), 1430(a).

<sup>2</sup> See 12 U.S.C. 1422(10)(A); 12 CFR 1263.1.

Regulatory Secretariat Division has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve a revision and renewal of a previously approved information collection requirement regarding the Standard Form 28, Affidavit of Individual Surety.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before February 22, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and recommendations for this information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

Additionally, submit a copy to GSA through <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the instructions on the site. This website provides the ability to type short comments directly into the comment field or attach a file for lengthier comments.

**Instructions:** All items submitted must cite OMB Control number 9000-0001, Standard Form 28, Affidavit of Individual Surety. Comments received generally will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal and/or business confidential information provided. To confirm receipt of your comment(s), please check [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), approximately two-to-three days after submission to verify posting. If there are difficulties submitting comments, contact the GSA Regulatory Secretariat Division at 202-501-4755 or [GSARegSec@gsa.gov](mailto:GSARegSec@gsa.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Zenaida Delgado, Procurement Analyst, at telephone 202-969-7207, or [zenaida.delgado@gsa.gov](mailto:zenaida.delgado@gsa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**A. OMB control number, Title, and any Associated Form(s)**

9000-0001, Standard Form 28, Affidavit of Individual Surety.

**B. Needs and Uses**

This clearance covers the information that offerors or contractors must submit to comply with the following Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) requirement:

- *Standard Form (SF) 28, Affidavit of Individual Surety.* This form is used by all executive agencies, including the Department of Defense (DoD), to obtain information from individuals wishing to serve as sureties to Government bonds. Offerors and contractors may use an individual surety as security for bonds required under a solicitation or contract

for supplies or services (including construction). It is an elective decision on the part of the offeror or contractor to use individual sureties instead of other available sources of surety or sureties for Government bonds.

The contracting officer uses the information on the SF 28 to determine the acceptability of individuals proposed as sureties.

**C. Annual Burden**

*Respondents:* 10.

*Total Annual Responses:* 20.

*Total Burden Hours:* 6.

**D. Public Comment**

A 60-day notice was published in the **Federal Register** at 85 FR 70151, on November 4, 2020. One comment was received; however, it did not change the estimate of the burden.

**Comment:** The commenter requested the FAR Council implement FAR Case 2017-003, Individual Sureties, and, once implemented, create the necessary reporting requirements that will mitigate, if not eliminate, instances where individual surety bonds are accepted with worthless assets or with assets that are beyond the control of contracting officials. Accordingly, the commenter finds the renewal/revision of the information collection premature because it is uncertain what types of information should be solicited on the SF 28.

**Response:** The renewal of the information collection is required to ensure compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act as the current approval for OMB Control number 9000-0001 expires on February 28, 2021. As stated in section VII. of the final rule preamble for FAR Case 2017-003 (86 FR 3682), changes to the SF 28 are needed to update the language in the form to be consistent with the changes to the FAR text. The modification of the SF 28 does not impose additional information collection requirements.

**Obtaining Copies:** Requesters may obtain a copy of the information collection documents from the GSA Regulatory Secretariat Division, by calling 202-501-4755 or emailing [GSARegSec@gsa.gov](mailto:GSARegSec@gsa.gov). Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0001, Standard Form 28, Affidavit of Individual Surety.

**William F. Clark,**

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**UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR GLOBAL MEDIA**

**USAGM Performance Review Board Members**

**AGENCY:** United States Agency for Global Media.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The United States Agency for Global Media (USAGM) announces the members of its SES Performance Review Board (PRB).

**ADDRESSES:** USAGM Office of Human Resources, 330 Independence Ave SW, Washington, DC 20237

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ellona Fritschie, Business Review Coordinator, at [efritschie@usagm.gov](mailto:efritschie@usagm.gov) or (202) 382-7500.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 4314, USAGM publishes this notice announcing the individuals who will serve as members of the PRB for a term of one year. The PRB is responsible for: (1) Reviewing performance appraisals and ratings of Senior Executive Service and Senior Level members; and (2) making recommendations on other performance management issues, such as pay adjustments, bonuses, and Presidential Rank Awards. The names, position titles, and appointment types of each member of the PRB are set forth below:

1. James Reeves, Chief Information Officer, Career SES
2. Terry Balazs, Director of Technology, Services, and Innovation, Career SES
3. Gary Thatcher, Associate Director for Program Support, Career SES
4. Kelu Chao, Director for Language Programming, Voice of America, Career SES

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Health Resources and Services Administration**

**National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program; List of Petitions Received**

**AGENCY:** Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**ACTION:** Notice.