DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[DOCKET NO. FR–5374–N–23]


AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Pub. L. 111–5, approved February 17, 2009) (Recovery Act), and implementing guidance of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), this notice advises that certain exceptions to the Buy American requirement of the Recovery Act have been determined applicable for work using Capital Fund Recovery Formula and Competition (CFRFC) grant funds. Specifically, an exception was granted to the Chicago Housing Authority for the purchase and installation of through-the-wall air conditioners, floor-mounted water closets, and low voltage electrical components at the Dearborn Homes project.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dominique G. Blom, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Housing Investments, Office of Public Housing Investments, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room 4130, Washington, DC 20410–4000, telephone number 202–402–8500 (this is not a toll-free number). Persons with hearing- or speech-imPAIRMENTS may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at 800–877–8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 1605(a) of the Recovery Act provides that none of the funds appropriated or made available by the Recovery Act may be used for a project for the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public building or public work unless all of the iron, steel, and manufactured goods used in the project are produced in the United States. Section 1605(b) provides that the Buy American requirement shall not apply in any case or category in which the head of a Federal department or agency finds that: (1) Applying the Buy American requirement would be inconsistent with the public interest; (2) iron, steel, and the relevant manufactured goods are not produced in the U.S. in sufficient and reasonably available quantities or of satisfactory quality, or (3) inclusion of iron, steel, and manufactured goods will increase the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent. Section 1605(c) provides that if the head of a Federal department or agency makes a determination pursuant to section 1605(b), the head of the department or agency shall publish a detailed written justification in the Federal Register.

In accordance with section 1605(c) of the Recovery Act and OMB’s implementing guidance published on April 23, 2009 (74 FR 18449), this notice advises the public that, on November 24, 2010, upon request of the Chicago Housing Authority, HUD granted an exception to applicability of the Buy American requirements with respect to work, using CFFRC grant funds, in connection with the Dearborn project. The exception was granted by HUD on the basis that the relevant manufactured goods (through-the-wall air conditioners, floor-mounted water closets, and low voltage electrical components) are not produced in the U.S. in sufficient and reasonably available quantities or of satisfactory quality.

Dated: December 17, 2010.

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Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[DOCKET NO. FR–5436–N–02]

Mortgagee Review Board: Administrative Actions

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing—Federal Housing Commissioner, Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with Section 202(c) of the National Housing Act, this notice advises of the cause and description of administrative actions taken by HUD’s Mortgagee Review Board against HUD-approved mortgagees.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy A. Murray, Secretary to the Mortgagee Review Board, 451 Seventh Street SW., Room B–133/3150, Washington, DC 20410–8000; telephone (202) 708–2224. A Telecommunications Device for Hearing- and Speech-Impaired Individuals (TTY) is available at (800) 877–8339 (Federal Information Relay Service).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 202(c)(5) of the National Housing Act (added by Section 142 of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989, Public Law 101–235, approved December 15, 1989), requires that HUD “publish a description of and the cause for administrative action against a HUD-approved mortgagee” by the Department’s Mortgagee Review Board (Board). In compliance with the requirements of Section 202(c)(5), this notice advises of actions that have been taken by the Board from April 15, 2010 to July 2, 2010.

I. Settlement Agreements, Civil Money Penalties, Withdrawals of FHA Approval, Suspensions, Probations, Reprimands, and Administrative Payments

1. Alethes, LLC, Lakeway, TX [Docket No. 09–9891–MR]

Action: On April 15, 2010, the Board approved an administrative action to immediately withdraw Alethes, LLC’s (Alethes) FHA approval for a period of three years and impose a $7,500 civil money penalty.

Cause: The Board took this action based on the following violations of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: Alethes originated an FHA mortgage after termination of its origination approval agreement; Alethes failed to comply with HUD’s annual recertification requirements by failing to
submit acceptable audited financial statements.


**Action:** On April 15, 2010, the Board approved an administrative action to immediately and permanently withdraw Atlantic Pacific Mortgage Corporation’s (Atlantic) FHA approval.

**Cause:** The Board took this action based on the following violation of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: Atlantic retained and/or employed an owner, director, officer and/or employee who had been indicted for a criminal offense; Marathon failed and/or employee who had been indicted (Marathon) FHA approval.


**Action:** On April 15, 2010, the Board approved an administrative action to immediately withdraw Precision Financial, Inc.’s (Precision) FHA approval.

**Cause:** The Board took this action based on the following violation of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: Precision failed to notify HUD that it had voluntarily surrendered its state license to originate mortgages.

3. First Rate Capital Corporation, Melville, NY [Docket No. 10–1001–MR]

**Action:** On April 15, 2010, the Board approved an administrative action to immediately withdraw First Rate Capital Corporation’s (First Rate) FHA approval for a period of one year.

**Cause:** The Board took this action based on the following violation of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: First Rate failed to notify HUD of the closure of its home office location.


**Action:** On April 15, 2010, the Board approved an administrative action to immediately withdraw Gold Star Home Mortgage, LLC’s (Gold Star) FHA approval for a period of one year.

**Cause:** The Board took this action based on the following violations of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: Gold Star failed to notify HUD of an action taken against it by the state of Missouri; Gold Star submitted a false certification to HUD on its Annual Certification Report.

5. Marathon Financial Corporation, Southfield, MI [Docket No. 09–9889–MR]

**Action:** On April 15, 2010, the Board approved an administrative action to immediately and permanently withdraw Marathon Financial Corporation’s (Marathon) FHA approval.

**Cause:** The Board took this action based on the following violations of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: Marathon retained and/or employed an owner, director, officer and/or employee who had been indicted for a criminal offense; Marathon failed to submit its annual recertification fee, Yearly Verification Report, and acceptable audited financial statements.


**Action:** On April 15, 2010, the Board approved an administrative action to immediately withdraw Nationwide Equities Corporation’s (Nationwide) FHA approval.

**Cause:** The Board took this action based on the following violations of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: Nationwide violated a Quality Control (QC) plan and conduct QC reviews in a timely manner.


**Action:** On April 15, 2010, the Board approved an administrative action to immediately withdraw Precision Financial, Inc.’s (Precision) FHA approval.

**Cause:** The Board took this action based on the following violation of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: Precision failed to notify HUD that it had voluntarily surrendered its state license to originate mortgages.


**Action:** On April 15, 2010, the Board approved an administrative action to immediately withdraw Sacramento Mortgage, Inc. (Sacramento).

**Cause:** The Board took this action based on the following violations of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: Sacramento used advertisements containing inaccurate and misleading FHA program information.


**Action:** On April 15, 2010, the Board approved an administrative action to immediately withdraw Tucson Mortgage Company, LLC's (Tucson) FHA approval and impose a $7,500 civil money penalty.

**Cause:** The Board took this action based on the following violations of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: Tucson failed to notify HUD of a Cease and Desist order issued against it by the Arizona Department of Financial Institutions; Tucson failed to notify HUD of the surrender of its licenses.

10. Turbo International Corporation d/b/a USA Mortgage, Las Vegas, NV [Docket No. 10–1599–MR]  

**Action:** On April 15, 2010, the Board approved an administrative action to immediately withdraw Turbo International Corporation’s d/b/a USA Mortgage (Turbo) FHA approval.

**Cause:** The Board took this action based on the following violations of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: Turbo failed to notify HUD that its state license had expired; Turbo failed to submit its annual certification, recertification fee, and acceptable audited financial statements.

11. 1st Alliance Mortgage LLC, Houston, TX [Docket No. 09–9624–MR]

**Action:** On April 16, 2010, the Board accepted 1st Alliance Mortgage LLC’s (1st Alliance) offer to settle by paying a civil money penalty in the amount of $150,000.

**Cause:** The Board took this action based on the following violations of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: 1st Alliance engaged in prohibited branch arrangements; 1st Alliance made false certifications to HUD on loan application forms HUD–92900–A in 708 instances; 1st Alliance failed to implement and maintain a Quality Control (QC) plan and conduct QC reviews; 1st Alliance failed to report compensation to employees on IRS form W–2; 1st Alliance charged unallowable and/or unearned duplicative fees to borrowers; 1st Alliance failed to ensure that fees paid outside of closing were listed on the HUD–1 Settlement Statement.

12. Polaris Home Funding Corporation, Grandville, MI [Docket No. 09–9915–MR]

**Action:** On May 20, 2010, the Board accepted Polaris Home Funding Corporation’s (Polaris) offer to settle by paying a civil money penalty in the amount of $44,000 and indemnifying FHA on seven loans.

**Cause:** The Board took this action based on the following violations of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: Polaris violated HUD/FHA staffing requirements; Polaris had numerous loan origination and underwriting deficiencies.


**Action:** On May 20, 2010, the Board approved an administrative action to assess a $505,400 administrative payment against Viewpoint Bank (Viewpoint).

**Cause:** The Board took this action based on the following violations of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: Viewpoint had numerous loan origination and underwriting deficiencies; Viewpoint failed to ensure that its employees worked for Viewpoint exclusively, including failure to ensure that employees did not have outside employment in a related field.

Action: On May 20, 2010, the Board approved an administrative action to permanently withdraw Great Country Mortgage Bankers Corporation’s (Great Country) FHA approval.

Cause: The Board took this action based on the following violations of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: Great Country failed to conduct targeted Quality Control reviews; Great Country had numerous loan origination and underwriting deficiencies; Great Country failed to ensure that their employees worked for Great Country exclusively; Great Country failed to address discrepancies prior to approval of the insurance endorsement.

15. WR Starkey Mortgage, LLP, Plano, TX [Docket No. 10–1573–MR]

Action: On May 20, 2010, the Board voted to impose a $223,000 civil money penalty against WR Starkey Mortgage, LLP (WR Starkey) and accept WR Starkey’s offer to indemnify HUD on 32 mortgages. WR Starkey also agreed to reimburse HUD for 11 of the 32 mortgages that resulted in claims in the amount of $756,406.76.

Cause: The Board took this action based on the following violations of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: WR Starkey had loan origination and underwriting deficiencies; WR Starkey failed to timely remit Upfront Mortgage Insurance Premiums; WR Starkey allowed a Credit Watch terminated branch to originate loans; WR Starkey failed to ensure that loans met property eligibility requirements; WR Starkey failed to comply with property flipping guidelines; WR Starkey failed to ensure that construction-to-permanent mortgage program requirements were met.


Action: On June 17, 2010, the Board approved an administrative action to permanently withdraw Birmingham Bancorp Mortgage Corporation’s (BBMC) FHA approval for a period of five years. On July 2, 2010, the Board terminated the withdrawal action and accepted BBMC’s settlement offer of $815,913.13 (this amount included principal and interest totaling $770,913.13 for indemnification on 16 loans and a civil money penalty of $45,000).

Cause: The Board took the original action based on the following violations of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: BBMC failed to honor the terms of six executed indemnification agreements when BBMC failed to remit payment.


Action: On June 17, 2010, the Board accepted a settlement offer from Countrywide Home Loans, Inc. (Countrywide) to pay a civil money penalty of $141,500, buy down the principal on loans totaling $93,263.02, indemnify HUD/FHA on loans, and surrender its FHA approval. In addition, Countrywide’s parent company, Bank of America, will maintain its FHA approval and honor the indemnification agreements.

Cause: The Board took this action based on the following violations of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: Countrywide had loan origination and underwriting deficiencies; Countrywide failed to provide complete loan origination files.


Action: On June 17, 2010, the Board approved an administrative action to permanently withdraw Best Interest Rate Mortgage Company, LLC’s (BIRMCO) FHA approval.

Cause: The Board took this action based on the following violations of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: BIRMCO failed to notify HUD that it had been excluded from doing business in Idaho and Colorado; BIRMCO improperly used a simulated government form implying endorsement by FHA; BIRMCO failed to obtain required state licenses to operate in the States of Idaho and Colorado.


Action: On June 17, 2010, the Board approved an administrative action to permanently withdraw Housing Solutions, Inc.’s (HSI) FHA approval.

Cause: The Board took this action based on the following violation of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: HSI failed to notify HUD of the closure of its home office and that it is no longer in business.


Action: On June 17, 2010, the Board accepted a settlement offer from Action Mortgage Corporation (AMC) to pay a civil money penalty of $2,500.

Cause: The Board took this action based on the following violation of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: AMC misused the official HUD seal on its Web site.


Action: On June 17, 2010, the Board voted to impose a $7,000 civil money penalty against Equity Source Home Loans, LLC (Equity Source).

Cause: The Board took this action based on the following violations of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: Equity Source misused the names of FHA and HUD, misused the FHA seal, and disseminated a simulated government form implying HUD/FHA or government endorsement.

22. NFM, Inc., Linthicum Heights, MD [Docket No. 10–1712–MR]

Action: On June 17, 2010, the Board voted to impose a $5,000 civil money penalty against NFM, Inc. (NFM).

Cause: The Board took this action based on the following violation of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: NFM misused the name and seal of the FHA and disseminated advertisements implying HUD/FHA endorsement.

23. Silver Key Lending & Investment Group, Downers Grove, IL [Docket No. 10–1848–MR]

Action: On June 17, 2010, the Board voted to impose a $3,500 civil money penalty against Silver Key Lending & Investment Group (Silver Key).

Cause: The Board took this action based on the following violation of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: Silver Key misused the Seal of FHA, the government endorsement.


Action: On June 17, 2010, the Board accepted a settlement offer from Access Mortgage Corporation (Access) to pay a civil money penalty of $3,500.

Cause: The Board took this action based on the following violation of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: Access failed to notify HUD/FHA within ten business days of a change in its “doing business as” name.


Action: On June 17, 2010, the Board accepted a settlement offer from American Advisors Group (AAG) to pay a civil money penalty of $3,500.

Cause: The Board took this action based on the following violation of
HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: AAG’s advertisements misrepresented HUD’s Home Equity Conversion Mortgage program.


Action: On May 20, 2010, the Board accepted a settlement offer from Acceptance Capital Mortgage Corporation (Acceptance) to pay a civil money penalty of $14,000.

Cause: The Board took this action based on the following violations of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: Acceptance allowed a separate legal entity to operate as a branch of Acceptance; Acceptance allowed loans to be originated by loan officers who were also employed by other companies in the real estate industry.


Action: On June 17, 2010, the Board accepted a settlement offer from Oxford Lending Group, L.P. (Oxford) to pay a civil money penalty of $3,500.

Cause: The Board took this action based on the following violation of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: Oxford improperly used a simulated government form implying endorsement by FHA or the Government.

II. Recertification That Failed To Meet Requirements for Annual Recertification of HUD/FHA Approval

Action: The Board voted to immediately withdraw FHA approval for a period of one year for each of the lenders listed below.

Cause: The Board took this action because the lenders were not in compliance with the HUD’s annual recertification requirements.

1. American Home Advisors, Inc., Dana Point, CA
2. At Home Mortgage Brokers, Inc., Phoenix, AZ
3. Bridge Mortgage, Inc., Villa Rica, GA
4. Coastline Mortgage Consultants, LLC, Wilmington, NC
5. Denton County Mortgage Corp., Tyler, TX
6. Fidelity Homes and Loans, Inc., Federal Way, WA
7. Legacy Mortgage LLC, Green Bay, WI
8. Oceanfront Mortgage, Inc., San Diego, CA
9. Alabama Home Mortgage Lending, Birmingham, AL
10. C Bass ABS LLC, New York, NY
11. Castle Home Mortgage Corp., Union, NJ
12. City State Bank, Central City, IA
13. CoFinancial, Inc., Milford, MI
14. Credit Based Asset Servicing, New York, NY
15. DMF Funding, Inc. (Title I), Boise, ID
16. DMF Funding, Inc. (Title II), Boise, ID
17. Gordon Lending Corporation, Dublin, OH
18. Great Harbor Financial Service, Guilford, CT
19. HBM No. One, LLC, Burlington, NC
20. Integrity One Mortgage, Inc., Penns Grove, NJ
21. Mortgage Process Center, Fair Oaks, CA
22. NVX, LLC, Falls Church, VA
23. Powell Financial Services, Inc., San Diego, CA
24. Prosperity Bank St. Augustine, St. Augustine, FL
25. Quickdraw Real Estate Services, Inc., Mill Creek, WA
26. Solutions Financial Group, Inc., Tukwila, WA
27. Three Rivers Financial Services, Inc., Fort Wayne, IN
28. Trinity Financial, Inc., Verona, PA
29. 1st Integrity Mortgage, Inc., Towson, MD
30. Alliance Financing Mortgage Corporation, Mount Prospect, IL
31. American Mortgage Group LLC, Humble, TX
32. American Mortgage Solutions LLC, Burr Ridge, IL
33. Amerinet Financial LLC, Upper Marlboro, MD
34. Apex Funding Inc., Santa Ana, CA
35. Baycal Financial Corporation, Burlingame, CA
36. Benchmark Mortgage Corporation, Schaumburg, IL
37. Broadway Federal Savings and Loan, Los Angeles, CA
38. Building and Loan Mortgage Company, Lenexa, KS
39. C Bass Funding LLC, New York, NY
40. C Bass Funding X LLC, New York, NY
41. Capital Mortgage LLC, Miami, FL
42. Capitol City Bank & Trust Company, Atlanta, GA
43. CCSF LLC, Henderson, NV
44. Champion Mortgage LLC, Corpus Christi, TX
45. Clayton-Mitchell Mortgage Services LLC, Salt Lake City, UT
46. Columbia First Mortgage Inc., Battle Ground, WA
47. Community Finance Group Inc., Crystal, MN
48. Community Resource Bank, N.A., Columbus, SC
49. Consumer Lending Inc., Verona, NJ
50. Creative Mortgage Services Inc., Martinez, CA
51. CWA Financial Services Inc., Milledgeville, GA
52. Design Development Mortgage LLC, Fort Collins, CO
53. Direct Mortgage Inc., Norcross, GA
54. Dynamic International Funding, Denver, CO
55. East Shore Mortgage LLC, Madison, CT
56. EDVA Realty Services Inc., Tarzana, CA
57. Element Financial, LLC, Suwanee, GA
58. Ellis Mortgage Company, Poplar Grove, IL
59. E-Tek Mortgage Company, Gibbsboro, NJ
60. Encore Mortgage, LLC, Atlanta, GA
61. Ethical Mortgage Lending LLC, Grove City, OH
62. Evergreen Pacific Mortgage Inc., Eugene, OR
63. Fairfield Financial Mortgage Group, Danbury, CT
64. Firstbank—West Branch, West Branch, MI
65. First Boulder Valley Bank, Boulder, MT
66. First Choice Mortgage Corporation, Stafford, VA
67. First Choice Mortgage Services LLC, Memphis, TN
68. First Primacy Mortgage Corporation, Bel Air, MD
69. First Sierra Mortgage Inc., Sacramento, CA
70. Focus Financial and Mortgage Corporation, Wauconda, IL
71. Fortes Financial Inc., San Diego, CA
72. Founders Mortgage Inc., Edmond, OK
73. Genesis Mortgage Company LLC, Kingwood, TX
74. Gordon Lending Corporation, Dublin, OH
75. Hamilton Mortgage Group LLC, Ridgefield, CT
76. Heights Mortgage Connection Inc., Harker Heights, TX
77. Hometown Community Bank, Braselton, GA
78. Interstate Capital Corporation, Coral Springs, FL
79. IBJ LLC, Henderson, NV
81. LAA Enterprises Inc., Lakeland, FL
82. Lend Select Mortgage, LLC, Mount Laurel, NJ
83. Lovory Mortgage Inc., Cornelius, NC
84. Madison Funding Inc., Baltimore, MD
85. Magnolia Homes Loans, Inc., Oxnard, CA
86. Maximum Mortgage Concepts, West Bridgewater, MA
87. MBS Mortgage Company LLC, Wixom, MI
88. McLaughlin Financial Inc., Salem, MA
89. Metropolitan Mortgage Inc., Providence, RI
90. MidAmerica Mortgage Corporation, New Hope, MN
III. Lenders That Failed to Timely Meet Requirements for Annual Recertification of HUD/FHA Approval and Have Cured

Action: The Board voted to give the lenders below an opportunity to settle. The settlements required each lender to pay a $7,500, $3,500, or $1,000 civil money penalty without admitting fault or liability.

Cause: The Board took this action because the lenders failed to timely comply with the HUD’s annual recertification requirements, however, they are now in compliance.

1. 3rd Generation Mortgage, LLC, Bayville, NJ, 10–1930–MRT
3. Apex Mortgage, LLC, Meridian, ID, 10–1298–MRT
5. Centre Bank, Ottawa, IL, 10–1416–MRT
6. Citizens State Bank, Wood Cross, UT
7. CLO Funding Corporation, Piscataway, NJ, 10–4448–MRT
8. Empire Financial Services Inc., Rockville, MD, 10–1521–MRT
10. Home Mortgage Solutions, LLC, Midlothian, VA, 10–1247–MRT
11. Home Owners Financial Services, Los Angeles, CA, 10–1353–MRT
12. LA Mortgage Services, Inc., Clarks Green, PA, 10–1045–MRT
14. Lighthouse Home Loans, Inc., Salem, OR, 10–1495–MRT
17. PC Funding, Inc., Cerritos, CA, 10–1924–MRT
18. Plum Creek Funding, Inc., Parker, CO, 10–1519–MRT
19. Raustin Mortgage Services LLC, Grandville, MI, 10–1214–MRT
20. RJ Financial Services, Inc., San Antonio, TX, 10–1488–MRT
23. Sun Mortgage Corp. of Missouri, Inc., Saint Louis, MO, 10–1552–MRT
24. Terra Ferma Mortgage, Inc., Houston, TX, 10–1900–MRT
25. Your Money Center, LLC, Hartwell, GA, 10–1449–MRT
27. Advantis Credit Union, Portland, OR, 10–1933–MRT
30. Carson Bank (f/k/a Mulvane State Bank), Mulvane, KS, 10–1936–MRT
31. CBRE HMF, Inc., Atlanta, GA, 10–1937–MRT
32. Coral Mortgage Bankers Corporation, Chesterfield, MO, 10–1938–MRT
33. Constitution Trust Mortgage Corp., Plainville, MA, 10–1906–MRT
34. Custom Equity Mortgage, LLC, St. Louis, MO, 10–1939–MRT
35. DATCU Credit Union, Denton, TX, 10–1940–MRT
36. Financial Dynamics Funding Corp., Jericho, NY, 10–1941–MRT
38. Heritage Bank and Trust, Columbia, TN, 10–1943–MRT
39. Home First Mortgage, Birmingham, AL, 10–1944–MRT
40. Infinity Lending Group, Tustin, CA, 10–1953–MRT
41. IZT Mortgage, Inc. d/b/a Ameritech Mortgage, Walnut Creek, CA, 10–1945–MRT
42. Lexington Investment Mortgage Co., Lexington, KY, 10–1907–MRT
43. Lincoln Mortgage Associates, LLC, Lansdale, PA, 10–1946–MRT
44. Metropolitan Mortgage Broker, LLC, Philadelphia, PA, 10–1947–MRT
45. Mortgage 1st, Inc., Ridgeland, MS, 10–1948–MRT
46. Mortgage Options of America, Inc., Winchester, MA, 10–1949–MRT
47. Northern Funding Corporation, Clifton Park, NY, 10–1412–MRT
49. PLB Lending LLC, Washington, MI, 10–1951–MRT
50. Valley Financial, Inc., Comings, CA, 10–1953–MRT
51. Wellington Funding Group LLC, Scottsdale, AZ, 10–1955–MRT
52. WF and K Mortgage, Inc., Dunmore, PA, 10–1956–MRT
53. ACE Cash Express Home Loans LLC, Irving, TX, 10–1969–MRT
54. Advocate Equities Corp., Brooklyn, NY, 10–1427–MRT
55. Alliance Capital Corporation, Oklahoma City, OK, 10–1970–MRT
56. American Security Financial Corporation, Modesto, CA, 10–1511–MRT
58. Associated Capital Resources Inc., Phoenix, AZ, 10–1616–MRT
59. Assured Funding Corporation, Jackson, TN, 10–1248–MRT
60. Bank of Bridger, Bridger, MT, 09–9138–MRT
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Notice of Regulatory Waiver Requests Granted for the Third Quarter of Calendar Year 2010

AGENCY: Office of the General Counsel, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Section 106 of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989 (the HUD Reform Act) requires HUD to publish quarterly Federal Register notices of all regulatory waivers that HUD has approved. Each notice covers the quarterly period since the previous Federal Register notice. The purpose of this notice is to comply with the requirements of section 106 of the HUD Reform Act. This notice contains a list of regulatory waivers granted by HUD during the period beginning on July 1, 2010, and ending on September 30, 2010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general information about this notice, contact Camille E. Acevedo, Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Room 10282, Washington, DC 20410–0500, telephone 202–708–1793 (this is not a toll-free number). Persons with hearing- or speech-impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at 800–877–8339. (this number is not a toll-free number). Persons with hearing- or speech-impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at 800–877–8339.

Supplementary Information: Section 106 of the HUD Reform Act added a new section 7(q) to the Department of Housing and Urban Development Act (42 U.S.C. 3535(q)), which provides that:

1. Any waiver of a regulation must be in writing and must specify the grounds for approving the waiver;

2. Authority to approve a waiver of a regulation may be delegated by the Secretary only to an individual of Assistant Secretary or equivalent rank, and the person to whom authority to waive is delegated must also have authority to issue the particular regulation to be waived;

3. Not less than quarterly, the Secretary must notify the public of all waivers of regulations that HUD has approved, by publishing a notice in the Federal Register. These notices (each covering the period since the most recent previous notification) shall:

a. Identify the project, activity, or undertaking involved;

b. Describe the nature of the provision waived and the designation of the provision;

c. Indicate the name and title of the person who granted the waiver request;

d. Describe briefly the grounds for approval of the request; and

e. State how additional information about a particular waiver may be obtained.

Section 106 of the HUD Reform Act also contains requirements applicable to waivers of HUD handbook provisions that are not relevant to the purpose of this notice.

This notice follows procedures provided in HUD's Statement of Policy on Waiver of Regulations and Directives issued on April 22, 1991 (56 FR 16337). In accordance with those procedures and with the requirements of section 106 of the HUD Reform Act, waivers of regulations are granted by the Assistant Secretary with jurisdiction over the regulations for which a waiver was requested. In those cases in which a General Deputy Assistant Secretary granted the waiver, the General Deputy Assistant Secretary served in the absence of the Assistant Secretary in accordance with the office's Order of Succession.

This notice covers waivers of regulations granted by HUD from July 1, 2010, through September 30, 2010. For ease of reference, the waivers granted by HUD are listed by HUD program office (for example, the Office of Community Planning and Development, the Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, the Office of Public and Indian Housing, etc.). Within each program office grouping, the waivers are listed sequentially by the regulatory section of title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) that is being waived. For example, a waiver of a provision in 24 CFR part 58 would be listed before a waiver of a provision in 24 CFR part 570.

Where more than one regulatory provision is involved in the grant of a particular waiver request, the action is listed under the section number of the first regulatory requirement that appears in 24 CFR and that is being waived. For example, a waiver of both § 58.73 and § 58.74 would appear sequentially in the listing under § 58.73.

Waiver of regulations that involve the same initial regulatory citation are in