

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a summary of the Media Bureau's Public Notice ("PN"), DA 03-46, adopted and released January 24, 2003. The complete text of this *NPRM* is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Center, Room CY-A257, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC and may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, Qualex International, Portals II, 445 12th Street SW., Room CY-B-402, Washington, DC 20554, telephone (202) 863-2893, facsimile (202) 863-2898, or via e-mail: qualexint@aol.com.

Synopsis of Public Notice

1. Beginning immediately, and until further notice, the Commission will not accept for filing modification applications that would increase a television broadcast station's analog or DTV service area in the 746-806 MHz spectrum band, currently comprising television channels 60-69, in one or more directions beyond the combined area resulting from the station's parameters as defined in the following: (1) The DTV Table of Allotments; (2) Commission authorizations (license and/or construction permit); and (3) applications on file with the Commission prior to release of this Public Notice. Since July 7, 1998, the Commission has not accepted requests for modifications for analog stations on channels 60-69 that would result in an overall increase in the service area of the station. The policy we announce herein does not alter this existing policy. The Commission will continue to process applications on file as of the date this Public Notice is released. The Commission may consider, on a case by case basis and consistent with the public interest, amendments to those applications, for example, to resolve interference with other stations or pending applications or resolve mutual exclusivity with other pending applications.

2. The Commission has reallocated and is in the process of recovering channels 60-69 in order to provide spectrum for use by other services, particularly public safety and other land mobile services, and is in the process of considering other issues relating to DTV service maximization as part of its periodic reviews of the digital television conversion process. Portions of these channels have already been licensed to Guard Band and Public Safety entities. Prohibiting the filing of new maximization applications in this band will protect these newly licensed entities from shifts or expansion in existing broadcast service, and will facilitate the eventual clearing of this

spectrum and the auction of the commercial portions of the spectrum. Imposition of an immediate freeze will ensure that new maximization applications are not filed in this band in anticipation of future limitations, thus defeating the administrative purpose of the action herein.

3. Consistent with existing policy, the Bureau will consider, on a case-by-case basis, requests for waiver of this freeze where the modification application: (1) Would permit co-location of transmitter sites in a market in circumstances consistent with the Commission's policy of encouraging co-location to reduce the cost of construction, particularly of DTV facilities, or to achieve more efficient spectrum use; or (2) is necessary or otherwise in the public interest for technical or other reasons to maintain quality service to the public, such as where zoning restrictions preclude tower construction at a particular site or where unforeseen events, such as extreme weather events or other extraordinary circumstances, require relocation to a new tower site. As with any request for waiver of our rules, a request for waiver of the freeze imposed in this Notice will be granted only upon a showing of good cause and where grant of the waiver will serve the public interest.

4. The decision to impose this freeze is procedural in nature and therefore the freeze is not subject to the notice and comment and effective date requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act. *See* 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(A), (d); *Kessler v. FCC*, 326 F. 2d 673 (D.C. Cir. 1963). Moreover, there is good cause for the Commission's not using notice and comment procedures in this case, or making the freeze effective 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register**, because to do so would be impractical, unnecessary, and contrary to the public interest because compliance would undercut the purposes of the freeze. *See* 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B), (d)(3).

5. This action is taken by the Chief, Media Bureau pursuant to authority delegated by § 0.283 of the Commission's rules.

Federal Communications Commission.

Marlene H. Dortch,
Secretary.

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FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

Notice of Agency Meeting; Sunshine Act

Pursuant to the provisions of the "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5 U.S.C. 552b), notice is hereby given that at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, February 11, 2003, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's Board of Directors will meet in closed session, pursuant to sections 552b(c)(2) and (c)(9)(B) of Title 5, United States Code, to consider matters relating to the Corporation's corporate activities.

The meeting will be held in the Board room on the sixth floor of the FDIC Building located at 550 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC.

Requests for further information concerning the meeting may be directed to Mr. Robert E. Feldman, Executive Secretary of the Corporation, at (202) 898-3742.

Dated: February 7, 2003.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Robert E. Feldman,
Executive Secretary.

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FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed revised collection of information. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), this notice seeks comments concerning the information collection outlined in 44 CFR Part 61, as it pertains to application for National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) insurance.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) is authorized by Pub. L. 90-448 (1968) and expanded by Pub. L. 93-234 (1973). The National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 requires that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) provide flood insurance at full actuarial rates reflecting the complete flood risk to structures built or

substantially improved on or after the effective date for the initial Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) for the community, or after December 31, 1974, whichever is later, so that the risks associated with buildings in flood-prone areas are borne by those located in such areas and not by the taxpayers at large. In accordance with Pub. L. 93-234, the purchase of flood insurance is mandatory when Federal or federally related financial assistance is being provided for acquisition or construction of buildings located, or to be located, within FEMA-identified special flood hazard areas of communities that are participating in the NFIP.

Collection of Information

Title: National Flood Insurance Program Policy Forms.

Type of Information Collection: Revision of a currently approved collection.

OMB Number: 3067-0022.

Forms: FEMA Form 81-16, Flood Insurance Application; FEMA Form 81-17, Cancellation/Nullification Request; FEMA Form 81-18, General Change Endorsement; Request for Policy Processing and Renewal Information Letter (RPPRI Letter); FEMA Form 81-25, V-Zone Risk Factor Rating; FEMA Form 81-67, Preferred Risk Application; and the Renewal Premium Notice.

Abstract: In order to provide for the availability of policies for flood

insurance, policies are marketed through the facilities of licensed insurance agents or brokers in the various States. Applications from agents or brokers are forwarded to a servicing company designated as fiscal agent by Federal Insurance Administration (FIA). Upon receipt and examination of the application and required premium, the servicing company issues the appropriate Federal flood insurance policy.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; Business or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions; Farms; Federal Government; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:

FEMA NFIP policy form	Number of responses	Per form burden hours	Total burden hours
81-16 Flood Insurance Application	20,000	12 min	4,000 hrs.
81-67 Preferred Risk Application	5,000	15 min	1,000 hrs.
81-17 Cancellation	8,000	7.5 min	1,000 hrs.
81-18 Endorsement	75,000	9 min	11,250 hrs.
RPPRI Letters (to obtain missing information required for the applications, endorsements, and renewals)			
81-25 V-Zone Risk Factor Rating Form	50	6 hours	300 hrs.
Renewal Premium Notice	146,000	3 min	7,300 hrs.
Coastal Construction Manual—CD Version	50	30 min	25 hrs.
Total	254,100		24,875 hrs.

Because this format is used to obtain information requested but missing on, and required to process, applications, endorsements and renewals, its burden hours are not counted separately, but are included in burden hour totals for those forms.

Estimated Cost: The average annual estimated dollar cost to the respondent applying for or renewing an NFIP policy is \$55.50. This is the average commission amount paid by the NFIP to the insurance agent who completes the paperwork in conjunction with the applicant and submits it on his/her behalf to the NFIP. The NFIP pays the insurance agent 15 percent of the annual premium paid by the applicant. The average annual premium for flood insurance written through the NFIP is \$370.

In addition, flood insurance applicants who opt to submit the V-Zone Risk Factor Rating Form certified by a licensed engineer or architect may incur an additional cost of approximately \$720 per insured structure. The V-Zone Risk Factor Rating Form is used by the NFIP to evaluate the building site condition, support system, and general building details to determine if rate discount is warranted. The NFIP offers insurance rate discount from 5 to 40 percent if the design and construction of the building exceeds the NFIP minimum

requirements. In the past year, applicants submitting the V-Zone Risk Factor rating Form received an average of 20 percent discount on their annual premium. Based on this average percentage premium discount, property owners were able to recoup the additional cost within a one to two year period.

The total annual cost to all respondents is approximately \$9,526,500, which is the sum of \$9,490,500 for policy applications and renewals and \$36,000 for V-Zone Risk Factor Rating.

The projected Operating Expenses (not including claims and claim adjustment expenses) of the NFIP are estimated at approximately \$6,800,000 for fiscal year 2003. This amount includes all administrative expenses such as processing flood applications, endorsements, cancellations, and customer service.

Comments: Written comments are solicited to (a) evaluate whether the proposed data collection is necessary for the proper performance of the agency, including whether the information shall

have practical utility; (b) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) evaluate the accuracy of the estimated costs to respondents to provide the information to the agency; (d) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (e) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses. Comments should be received within 60 days of the date of this notice.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons should submit written comments to Muriel B. Anderson, Chief, Records Management Branch, Information Resources Management Division, Information Technology Services Directorate, Federal Emergency Management

Agency, 500 C Street, SW., Room 316, Washington, DC 20472.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jhun de la Cruz, Senior Underwriter, Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration at (202) 646-2650 for additional information. You may contact Ms. Anderson for copies of the proposed collection of information at facsimile number (202) 646-3347 or email address Information.Collections@fema.gov.

Dated: February 5, 2003.

Edward W. Kernan,

Division Director, Information Resources Management Division, Information Technology Services Directorate.

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FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE BOARD

[No. 2003-N-3]

Prices for Federal Home Loan Bank Services

AGENCY: Federal Housing Finance Board.

ACTION: Notice of prices for Federal Home Loan Bank services.

SUMMARY: The Federal Housing Finance Board (Finance Board) is publishing the prices charged by the Federal Home Loan Banks (Banks) for processing and settlement of items (negotiable order of withdrawal or NOW), demand deposit accounting (DDA), and other services

offered to members and other eligible institutions.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 11, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Scott L. Smith, Associate Director, Office of Supervision (202) 408-2991; or Edwin J. Avila, Financial Analyst, (202) 408-2871; Federal Housing Finance Board, 1777 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20006.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 11(e) of the Federal Home Loan Bank Act (Bank Act) (12 U.S.C. 1431(e)) authorizes the Banks to: (1) Accept demand deposits from member institutions; (2) be drawees of payment instruments; (3) engage in collection and settlement of payment instruments drawn on or issued by members and other eligible institutions; and (4) have such incidental powers as are necessary to the exercise of such authority. Section 11(e)(2)(B) of the Bank Act (12 U.S.C. 1431(e)(2)(B)) requires the Banks to make charges for services authorized in that section, which charges are to be determined and regulated by the Finance Board.

Section 975.6(c) of the Finance Board's regulations (12 CFR 975.6(c)) provides for the annual publication in the **Federal Register** of all prices for Bank services. The following fee schedule is for the only Bank that offers item processing services to its members and other qualified financial institutions. Most of the remaining Banks provide other Correspondence Services, which may include securities

safekeeping, disbursements, coin and currency, settlement, electronic funds transfer, etc. However, these Banks do not provide services related to processing of items drawn against or deposited into third party accounts held by their members or other qualified financial institutions.

District 1.—Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston (2003 NOW/DDA Services). (Services not provided.)

District 2.—Federal Home Loan Bank of New York (2003 NOW/DDA Services). (Does not provide item processing services for third party accounts.)

District 3.—Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh (2003 NOW/DDA Services). (Does not provide item processing services for third party accounts.)

District 4.—Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta (2003 NOW/DDA Services). (Does not provide item processing services for third party accounts.)

District 5.—Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati (2003 NOW/DDA Services). (Does not provide item processing services for third party accounts.)

District 6.—Federal Home Loan Bank of Indianapolis (2003 NOW/DDA Services).

Fee Schedules Based on One Year Contract

Checking Account Processing

I. Check Services Transaction Charges

Turnaround (daily or cycled)	Monthly volume	Truncated		Complete		Full service image*	
		Per item	Per item	Per item	Per item	Per item	Per statement
0-5,000	\$.054	\$.0675	\$.0875	\$.06	\$.40	\$.02	\$.40
5-10,000	.046	.0625	.0855	.06	.40	.02	.40
10-15,000	.045	.0585	.0835	.06	.40	.02	.40
15-25,000	.040	.0515	.0825	.06	.40	.02	.40
25-50,000	.039	.0475	.0805	.06	.40	.02	.40
50-75,000	.035	.0445	.0765	.06	.40	.02	.40
75-100,000	.032	.0415	.0755	.06	.40	.02	.40
100-and up	.030	.0385	.0745	.06	.40	.02	.40

Monthly volume	Image archive limited service*		CD image limited service
	Per item	Per item	
0-5,000	\$.0125	\$.0075	\$10.00
5-10,000	.0125	.0075	10.00
10-15,000	.0125	.0075	10.00
15-25,000	.0125	.0075	10.00
25-50,000	.0125	.0075	10.00
50-75,000	.0125	.0075	10.00
75-100,000	.0125	.0075	10.00
100-and up	.0125	.0075	10.00