

by OMB approval number, to Information Collection Comments, Chief Counsel's Office, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552; send a facsimile transmission to (202) 906-6518; or send an e-mail to infocollection.comments@ots.treas.gov. OTS will post comments and the related index on the OTS Internet Site at www.ots.treas.gov. In addition, interested persons may inspect comments at the Public Reading Room, 1700 G Street, NW., by appointment. To make an appointment, call (202) 906-5922, send an e-mail to public.info@ots.treas.gov, or send a facsimile transmission to (202) 906-7755.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: You can request additional information about this proposed information collection from Celeste Anderson, Senior Project Manager, Compliance and Consumer Protection, (202) 906-7990, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: OTS may not conduct or sponsor an information collection, and respondents are not required to respond to an information collection, unless the information collection displays a currently valid OMB control number. As part of the approval process, we invite comments on the following information collection.

Comments should address one or more of the following points:

a. Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of OTS, including whether the information will have practical utility;

b. The accuracy of OTS's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

c. Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

d. Ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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Title of Proposal: Loan Application Register (HMDA).

OMB Number: 1550-0021.

Form Number: N/A.

Regulation requirement: 12 CFR 203.

Description: The Home Mortgage Disclosure Act (HMDA), 12 U.S.C. 2801, requires this collection of information. In accordance with the HMDA, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (FRB) promulgates and administers HMDA regulations, which are prescribed as part of the FRB's Regulation C (12 CFR 203), implementing the HMDA (12 U.S.C. 2801-2810). HMDA forms as well as collection and recordkeeping requirements are approved under OMB Control No. 7100-0247. The FRB supporting statement forms the decisional basis for the OMB action. This submission discusses the burden imposed by Regulation C on the institutions OTS regulates.

Type of Review: Renewal.

Affected Public: Savings Associations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 639 (loan application registers (LARs)).

Estimated Frequency of Response: Annually.

Estimated Burden Hours per Response: 0.03 hours per application (approximately 9,657 applications per LAR).

Estimated Total Burden: 185,125 hours.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of Thrift Supervision

Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request—Privacy of Consumer Financial Information

AGENCY: Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comment.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed and continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3507. The Office of Thrift Supervision within the Department of the Treasury will submit the proposed information collection requirement

described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. Today, OTS is soliciting public comments on its proposal to extend this information collection.

DATES: Submit written comments on or before October 6, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Send comments, referring to the collection by title of the proposal or by OMB approval number, to Information Collection Comments, Chief Counsel's Office, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552; send a facsimile transmission to (202) 906-6518; or send an E-mail to infocollection.comments@ots.treas.gov. OTS will post comments and the related index on the OTS Internet Site at <http://www.ots.treas.gov>. In addition, interested persons may inspect comments at the Public Reading Room, 1700 G Street, NW., by appointment. To make an appointment, call (202) 906-5922, send an E-mail to public.info@ots.treas.gov, or send a facsimile transmission to (202) 906-7755.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: You can request additional information about this proposed information collection from Ella Allen, Program Analyst (Compliance), Compliance and Consumer Protection, (202) 906-6924, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552.

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Title of Proposal: Privacy of Consumer Financial Information.

OMB Number: 1550-0103.

Form Number: N/A.

Regulation requirement: 12 CFR 573.

Description: The Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (Pub. L. 106-102) mandates that the Federal banking agencies issue regulations as necessary to implement notice requirements and restrictions on a financial institution's ability to disclose nonpublic personal information about consumers to nonaffiliated third parties. OTS's regulation is found at 12 CFR 573 (OTS). This collection of information is contained in that regulation.

OTS is proposing to extend OMB approval of the information collection associated with its privacy regulation. This submission involves no change to the regulation or to the information collection requirements.

The information collection requirements are as follows:

Section 573.4(a) requires a bank to provide an initial notice to consumers that accurately reflects its privacy policies and practices.

Section 573.5(a) requires a bank to provide a notice annually to customers

during the continuation of the customer relationship that accurately reflects the bank's privacy policies and practices.

Section 573.7(a)(1) requires a bank to provide a clear and conspicuous notice that accurately explains the right to opt out. The notice must state that the bank discloses or reserves the right to disclose nonpublic personal information to nonaffiliated third parties; that the consumer has the right to opt out of that disclosure; and a reasonable means by which the consumer may exercise the opt out right. Section 573.10(c) states that a bank may allow a consumer to select certain nonpublic personal information or certain nonaffiliated third parties with respect to which the consumer wishes to opt out (partial opt-out).

Section 573.8(a) requires a bank to provide consumers with a revised notice of the bank's policies and procedures and a new opt out notice, if the bank wishes to disclose information in a way that is inconsistent with the notices previously given to a consumer.

The regulation also identifies affirmative actions that consumers must take to exercise their rights. In order for consumers to prevent banks from sharing their information with nonaffiliated parties, they must opt out (§§ 573.7(a)(2)(ii), 573.10(a)(2), and 573.10(c)).

Consumers also have the right at any time during their continued relationship with the bank to change or update their

opt out status with the bank (§§ 573.7(f) and (g)).

These information collection requirements ensure bank compliance with applicable Federal law.

Type of Review: Renewal.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit; individuals.

Estimated annual number of institution respondents: Initial notice, 13; annual notice and change in terms, 863; opt-out notice, 166.

Estimated average time per response per institution: Initial notice, 80 hours; annual notice and change in terms, 8 hours; opt-out notice, 8 hours.

Estimated subtotal annual burden hours for institutions: 9,272 hours.

Estimated annual number of consumer respondents: 66,150.

Estimated average time per consumer response: 30 minutes.

Estimated subtotal annual burden hours for consumers: 33,075 hours.

Estimated total annual burden hours: 42,347 hours.

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