# SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

#### [Disaster Declaration #11730 and #11731]

#### Alabama Disaster #AL-00021

**AGENCY:** U.S. Small Business

Administration. **ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This is a Notice of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for Public Assistance Only for the State of Alabama (FEMA–1835–DR), dated 04/28/2009.

Incident: Severe Storms, Flooding, Tornadoes, and Straight-line Winds. Incident Period: 03/25/2009 through

04/03/2009.

Effective Date: 04/28/2009.
Physical Loan Application Deadline
Date: 06/29/2009.

Economic Injury (EIDL) Loan Application Deadline Date: 01/28/2010.

ADDRESSES: Submit completed loan applications to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: A Escobar, Office of Disaster Assistance, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street, SW., Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that as a result of the President's major disaster declaration on 04/28/2009, Private Non-Profit organizations that provide essential services of governmental nature may file disaster loan applications at the address listed above or other locally announced locations.

The following areas have been determined to be adversely affected by the disaster:

Primary Counties:

Baldwin, Bullock, Butler, Choctaw, Clarke, Coffee, Covington, Crenshaw, Dale, Dallas, Elmore, Geneva, Henry, Houston, Lamar, Marengo, Perry, Russell, Washington, Wilcox.

The Interest Rates are:

	Percent
Other (Including Non-Profit Organizations) With Credit Available Elsewhere Businesses and Non-Profit Organizations Without Credit Available Elsewhere	4.500. 4.000.

The number assigned to this disaster for physical damage is 11730B and for economic injury is 11731B.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers 59002 and 59008)

## James E. Rivera,

 $Acting \ Associate \ Administrator for \ Disaster \\ Assistance.$ 

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### SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Disaster Declaration #11705 and #11706]

#### Minnesota Disaster Number MN-00021

**AGENCY:** U.S. Small Business Administration.

**ACTION:** Amendment 3.

**SUMMARY:** This is an amendment of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for Public Assistance Only for the State of Minnesota (FEMA–1830–DR), dated 04/09/2009.

Incident: Severe Storms and Flooding. Incident Period: 03/16/2009 and continuing.

Effective Date: 04/29/2009. Physical Loan Application Deadline Date: 06/08/2009.

Economic Injury (EIDL) Loan Application Deadline Date: 01/09/2010.

ADDRESSES: Submit completed loan applications to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing And Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: A. Escobar, Office of Disaster Assistance, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street, SW., Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The notice of the President's major disaster declaration for Private Non-Profit organizations in the State of Minnesota, dated 04/09/2009, is hereby amended to include the following areas as adversely affected by the disaster.

Primary Counties: Cook.

All other information in the original declaration remains unchanged.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers 59002 and 59008)

#### Iames E. Rivera.

Acting Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.

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# SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Disaster Declaration #11728 and #11729]

# South Carolina Disaster #SC-00009

**AGENCY:** U.S. Small Business Administration.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This is a notice of an Administrative declaration of a disaster for the State of South Carolina dated 04/29/2009.

*Incident:* Severe storms and tornadoes.

*Incident Period*: 04/10/2009 through 04/11/2009.

Effective Date: 04/29/2009.

Physical Loan Application Deadline Date: 06/29/2009.

Economic Injury (EIDL) Loan Application Deadline Date: 01/29/2010.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit completed loan applications to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: A. Escobar, Office of Disaster Assistance, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street, SW., Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that as a result of the Administrator's disaster declaration, applications for disaster loans may be filed at the address listed above or other locally announced locations.

The following areas have been determined to be adversely affected by the disaster:

Primary Counties:

Abbeville, Aiken. Contiguous Counties:

South Carolina: Anderson, Barnwell, Edgefield, Greenville, Greenwood, Laurens, Lexington, McCormick, Orangeburg, Saluda.

Georgia: Burke, Elbert, Richmond. The Interest Rates are:

	Percent
Homeowners with Credit Available Elsewhere:	4.375
Homeowners without Credit Available Elsewhere:	2.187
Businesses with Credit Available Elsewhere:	6.000
Businesses & Small Agricultural Cooperatives without Credit Available Elsewhere:	4.000
Other (Including Non-Profit Organizations) with Credit Available	4.000
Elsewhere:	4.500
nizations without Credit Available Elsewhere:	4.000

The number assigned to this disaster for physical damage is 11728 C and for economic injury is 11729 0.

The States which received an EIDL Declaration # are South Carolina, Georgia.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers 59002 and 59008) Dated: April 29, 2009.

Karen G. Mills,

Administrator.

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Investment Company Act Release No. 28717; File No. 812–13618]

#### Citibank, N.A.; Notice of Application

April 29, 2009.

**AGENCY:** Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission").

**ACTION:** Notice of an application under section 6(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 ("Act") for an exemption from certain requirements of rule 3a–7(a)(4)(i) under the Act.

SUMMARY: Summary of Application: Applicant requests an order that would permit an issuer of asset-backed securities that is not registered as an investment company under the Act in reliance on rule 3a-7 under the Act (an "Issuer") to appoint the applicant as a trustee to the Issuer when the applicant is affiliated with an underwriter for the Issuer's securities.

Applicant: Citibank, N.A.

**DATES:** Filing Dates: The application was filed on December 30, 2008 and amended on April 23, 2009.

Hearing or Notification of Hearing: An order granting the application will be issued unless the Commission orders a hearing. Interested persons may request a hearing by writing to the Commission's Secretary and serving applicant with a copy of the request, personally or by mail. Hearing requests should be received by the Commission by 5:30 p.m. on May 22, 2009, and should be accompanied by proof of service on the applicant, in the form of an affidavit or, for lawyers, a certificate of service. Hearing requests should state the nature of the writer's interest, the reason for the request, and the issues contested. Persons who wish to be notified of a hearing may request notification by writing to the Commission's Secretary.

ADDRESSES: Secretary, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549–1090. Applicant, 388 Greenwich Street, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10013.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jean E. Minarick, Senior Counsel, at (202) 551–6811, or Julia Kim Gilmer, Branch Chief, at (202) 551–6821 (Division of Investment Management, Office of Investment Company Regulation).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The following is a summary of the application. The complete application may be obtained via the Commission's Web site by searching for the file number, or an applicant using the Company name box, at <a href="http://www.sec.gov/search/search.htm">http://www.sec.gov/search/search.htm</a> or by calling (202) 551–8090.

# Applicant's Representations

- 1. The applicant is a subsidiary of Citigroup, Inc.¹ Citigroup Inc. is a global financial services organization whose lines of business include global cards, consumer banking, an institutional clients group (including transaction services such as agency/trust), global wealth management and corporate services. The applicant is frequently selected to act as trustee in connection with asset-backed securities issued by Issuers.
- 2. An asset-backed securities transaction typically involves the transfer of assets by a seller, usually by a "sponsor," to a special purpose corporate or trust entity that is established for the sole purpose of acting as the Issuer and is structured to be bankruptcy remote and the subsequent issuance of asset-backed securities ("ABS") to investors by the Issuer (an "ABS Transaction"). The parties to an ABS Transaction enter into several transaction agreements that provide for the holding of the assets by the Issuer and define the rights and responsibilities of the parties to the transaction ("Transaction Documents"). The operative Transaction Document governing the trustee is referred to herein as the "Agreement."
- 3. The sponsor of an ABS Transaction assembles the pool of assets by purchasing or funding them, describes them in the offering materials, and retains the underwriter to sell interests in the assets to investors. The sponsor determines the structure, drafts the documents, and prices the ABS Transactions. The sponsor selects the other parties to the ABS Transaction, including the underwriter, the servicer, and the trustee.
- 4. The servicer, either directly or through subservicers, manages the assets held by the Issuer. The servicer pays the income from the assets held by

- the Issuer over to the trustee, and the trustee uses the income, as instructed by the servicer and provided by the Agreement, to pay interest and principal on the ABS, to fund reserve accounts and purchases of additional assets, and to make other payments including fees owed to the trustee and other parties to the ABS Transaction.
- 5. The sponsor of an ABS Transaction selects the trustee. In selecting a trustee, the sponsor generally seeks to obtain customary trust administrative and related services for the Issuer at minimal cost. In some instances, other parties to an ABS Transaction may provide recommendations to a sponsor about potential trustees. An underwriter for an ABS Transaction also may provide advice to the sponsor about trustee selection based on the underwriter's knowledge of the pricing and expertise offered by a particular trustee in light of the contemplated transaction.
- 6. If an underwriter affiliated with the applicant recommends a trustee to a sponsor, both the underwriter's recommendation and any selection of the applicant by the sponsor will be based upon customary market considerations of pricing and expertise, among other things, and the selection will result from an arms-length negotiation between the sponsor and the applicant. Applicant will not price its services as trustee in a manner designed to facilitate its affiliate being named underwriter.
- 7. The trustee's role in an ABS
  Transaction is specifically defined by
  the Agreement, and under the
  Agreement the trustee is not expected or
  required to perform discretionary
  functions. The responsibilities of the
  trustee as set forth in the Agreement are
  narrowly circumscribed and limited to
  those expressly accepted by the trustee.
  The trustee negotiates the provisions
  applicable to it directly with the
  sponsor and is then appointed by and
  enters into the Agreement with the
  Issuer.
- 8. The trustee usually becomes involved in an ABS Transaction after the substantive economic terms have been negotiated between the sponsor and the underwriters. The trustee does not monitor any service performed by, or obligation of, an underwriter, whether or not the underwriter is affiliated with the trustee. In the unlikely event that the applicant, in acting as trustee to an Issuer for which an affiliate acts as underwriter, becomes obligated to enforce any of the affiliated underwriter's obligations to the Issuer, the applicant will resign as trustee for the Issuer consistent with the requirements of rule 3a-7(a)(4)(i). In

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The applicant also requests that the order apply to an Issuer's appointment, now or in the future, of any other entity controlling, controlled by, or under common control (as defined in section 2(a)(9) of the Act) with the applicant as a trustee for an Issuer. The applicant represents that any other entity relying on this relief now or in the future will comply with the terms and conditions of the application. Any existing entity currently intending to rely on the requested order has been named as an applicant.