## **NEW VA PROPERTY MANAGEMENT CONTRACTOR**

In connection with the termination of loans guaranteed by VA, holders often have the option to convey to VA the properties acquired at liquidation sales. In 2003, VA began the transition of managing and selling those properties to a private contractor, Ocwen Loan Servicing LLC (Ocwen). VA has now awarded a new property management contract to Countrywide Home Loans (CHL), and this will require another transition period. For all properties conveyed to VA after July 24, 2008, holders and their servicers will send required title documents to CHL. All properties conveyed prior to that date will continue to be the responsibility of Ocwen for follow-up on title documents during the transition period. CHL or Ocwen will provide instructions on a case-by-case basis on when to submit title documents to the new address on properties conveyed prior to July 25, 2008. VA expects this transition will be completed within the next 60 days.

Submission of Title Documents: Holders and their servicers shall submit title documents to CHL at Countrywide Home Loans, ATTN: VA REO, 2375 N Glenville Drive, MS RGV-B-85, Richardson, TX 75082. It is critical to include the MS (mail stop) information in the address to ensure the title package is submitted to the correct location. Documents must be provided no later than 60 days after the liquidation sale in most jurisdictions. VA previously provided advice concerning additional time for title submission in certain jurisdictions, and that advice remains in effect. However, all timeframes are under review, and further guidance will be provided if any adjustments are appropriate.

Insurance on Conveyed Properties: VA expects holders to request endorsements on all insurance policies in force at termination, naming as an assured the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, c/o Countrywide Home Loans, ATTN: VA REO, 2375 N Glenville Drive, MS RGV-B-85, Richardson, TX 75082. In addition, information about the insurance policy should appear in the appropriate spaces on VA Form 26-8903, Notice for Election to Convey and/or Invoice for Transfer of Property, or in the Transfer of Custody event on the Servicer Web Portal if the servicer has transitioned to the VALERI (VA Loan Electronic Reporting Interface) environment. Holders and servicers should include endorsements with the title packages on properties conveyed to VA, or, if endorsements are received after title packages have already been submitted, they may be identified with the VA loan number and sent to CHL at the address above. Notices of cancellation on homeowners or force-placed policies may be handled in a similar manner.