is informed about their responsibilities under this part.

- (c) You must disclose to us waste, fraud, abuse or corruption. Contact the Inspector General at 1-800-964-FDIC or *Ighotline@fdic.gov.*
- (d) You and any person who performs contract services to us must not:
- (1) Accept or solicit for yourself or others any favor, gift, or other item of monetary value from any person who you reasonably believe is seeking an official action from you on our behalf, or has an interest that the performance or nonperformance of your duties to us may substantially affect;
- (2) Use or allow the use of our property, except as specified in the contract;
- (3) Make an unauthorized promise or commitment on our behalf; or
- (4) Provide impermissible gifts or entertainment to an FDIC employee or other person providing services to us.
- (e) The following are examples of when you are engaging in unethical behavior. These examples are not inclusive.
- (1) Using government resources, including our Internet connection, to conduct any business that is unrelated to the performance of your contract with us.
- (2) Submitting false invoices or claims, or making misleading or false statements.
- (3) Committing us to forgive or restructure a debt or portion of a debt, unless we provide you with written authority to do so.

§ 366.13 What is my obligation regarding confidential information?

- (a) Neither you nor any person who performs services on your behalf may use or disclose information obtained from us or a third party in connection with an FDIC contract, unless:
- (1) The contract allows or we authorize the use or disclosure;
- (2) The information is generally available to the general public; or
- (3) We make the information available to the general public.
- (b) The following are examples of when your use of confidential information is inappropriate. These examples are not inclusive.

- (1) Disclosing information about an asset, such as internal asset valuations, appraisals or environmental reports, except as part of authorized due diligence materials, to a prospective asset purchaser.
- (2) Disclosing a borrower's or guarantor's personal or financial information, such as a financial statement to an unauthorized party.

\$366.14 What information must I provide the FDIC?

You must:

- (a) Certify in writing that you can perform services for us under § 366.3 and have no conflict of interest under § 366.10(a).
- (b) Submit a list and description of any instance during the preceding five years in which you, any person that owns or controls you, or any entity you own or control, defaulted on a material obligation to an insured depository institution. A default on a material obligation occurs when a loan or advance with an outstanding balance of more than \$50,000 is or was delinquent for 90 days or more.
- (c) Notify us within 10 business days after you become aware that you, or any person you employ to perform services for us, are not in compliance with this part. Your notice must include a detailed description of the facts of the situation and how you intend to resolve the matter.
- (d) Agree in writing that you will employ only persons who meet the requirements of this part to perform services on our behalf.
- (e) Comply with any request from us for information.
- (f) Retain any information you prepare or rely upon regarding the provisions of this part for a period of three years following termination or expiration and final payment of the related contract for services whichever occurs last.

§ 366.15 What advice or determinations will the FDIC provide me on the applicability of this part?

(a) We are available to you for consultation on those determinations you are responsible for making under this part, including those with respect to

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any person you employ or engage to perform services for us.

- (b) We will determine if this part prohibits you from performing services for us prior to contract award, after contract award, and during the performance of a contract.
- (c) We may determine what corrective action you must take.
- (d) We may grant you a waiver for good cause shown where provided for under this part.

§ 366.16 When may I seek a reconsideration or review of an FDIC determination?

- (a) You may seek reconsideration or review of our initial determination by sending a written request to the individual who issued you the initial decision.
- (b) You must provide new information or explain a change in circumstances for our reconsideration of an initial decision. The individual who issued you the initial decision may either make a new determination or refer your request to a higher authority for review.
- (c) You must provide an explanation of how you perceive that we misapplied this part that sets forth the legal or factual errors for our review of an initial decision.

§ 366.17 What are the possible consequences for violating this part?

Depending on the circumstances, violations of this part may result in rescission or termination of a contract, as well as administrative, civil, or criminal sanctions.

PART 367—SUSPENSION AND EX-CLUSION OF CONTRACTOR AND TERMINATION OF CONTRACTS

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AUTHORITY: 12 U.S.C. 1822(f) (4) and (5).

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§ 367.1 Authority, purpose, scope and application.

- (a) Authority. This part is adopted pursuant to section 12(f) (4) and (5) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, 12 U.S.C. 1822(f) (4) and (5), and the rule-making authority of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) found at 12 U.S.C. 1819. Other regulations implementing these statutory directives appear at 12 CFR part 366.
- (b) *Purpose*. This part is designed to inform contractors and subcontractors (including their affiliated business entities, key employees and management officials) regarding their rights to notice and an opportunity to be heard on FDIC actions involving suspension and exclusion from contracting and rescission of existing contracts. This part is in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other statute or regulation that may apply to such contractual activities.

(c) *Scope.* This part applies to:

- (1) Contractors, other than attorneys or law firms providing legal services, submitting offers to provide services or entering into contracts to provide services to the FDIC acting in any capacity; and
- (2) Subcontractors entering into contracts to perform services under a proposed or existing contract with the FDIC.
- (d) Application. (1) This part will apply to entities that become contractors, as defined in §367.2(f), on or after December 30, 1996. In addition, this part will apply to contractors as defined in §367.2(f) that are performing contracts on December 30, 1996.
- (2) This part will also apply to actions initiated on or after December 30,