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achieve the purpose of this part, provided that the NCUA Board documents why such action in lieu of conservatorship or liquidation would do so, provided however, that other corrective action may consist, in whole or in part, of complying with the quarterly timetable of steps and meeting the quarterly net worth targets prescribed in an approved net worth restoration plan.

(2) Renewal of other corrective action. A determination by the NCUA Board to take other corrective action in lieu of conservatorship or liquidation under paragraph (c)(1)(iii) of this section shall expire after an effective period ending no later than 180 calendar days after the determination is made, and the credit union shall be immediately placed into conservatorship or liquidation under paragraphs (c)(1)(i) and (ii), unless the NCUA Board makes a new determination under paragraph (c)(1)(iii) of this section before the end of the effective period of the prior determination:

- (3) Mandatory liquidation after 18 months—(i) Generally. Notwithstanding paragraphs (c)(1) and (2) of this section, the NCUA Board must place a credit union into liquidation if it remains "critically undercapitalized" for a full calendar quarter, on a monthly average basis, following a period of 18 months from the effective date the credit union was first classified "critically undercapitalized."
- (ii) Exception. Notwithstanding paragraph (c)(3)(i) of this section, the NCUA Board may continue to take other corrective action in lieu of liquidation if it certifies that the credit union—
- (A) Has been in substantial compliance with an approved net worth restoration plan requiring consistent improvement in net worth since the date the net worth restoration plan was approved;
- (B) Has positive net income or has an upward trend in earnings that the NCUA Board projects as sustainable; and
- (C) Is viable and not expected to fail. (iii) *Review of exception*. The NCUA Board shall, at least quarterly, review the certification of an exception to liquidation under paragraph (c)(3)(ii) of this section and shall either—

- (A) Recertify the credit union if it continues to satisfy the criteria of paragraph (c)(3)(ii) of this section; or
- (B) Promptly place the credit union into liquidation, pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1787(a)(3)(A)(ii), if it fails to satisfy the criteria of paragraph (c)(3)(ii) of this section
- (4) Nondelegation. The NCUA Board may not delegate its authority under paragraph (c) of this section, unless the credit union has less than \$5,000,000 in total assets. A credit union shall have a right of direct appeal to the NCUA Board of any decision made by delegated authority under this section within ten (10) calendar days of the date of that decision.
- (d) Mandatory liquidation of insolvent federal credit union. In lieu of paragraph (c) of this section, a "critically undercapitalized" federal credit union that has a net worth ratio of less than zero percent (0%) may be placed into liquidation on grounds of insolvency pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1787(a)(1)(A).

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§ 702.205 Consultation with State officials on proposed prompt corrective action.

- (a) Consultation on proposed conservatorship or liquidation. Before placing a federally-insured State-chartered credit union into conservatorship (pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1786(h)(1)(F) or (6)) or liquidation (pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1787(a)(3)) as permitted or required under subparts B or C of this part to facilitate prompt corrective action—
- (1) The NCUA Board shall seek the views of the appropriate State official (as defined in §702.2(b), and give him or her an opportunity to take the proposed action;
- (2) The NCUA Board shall, upon timely request of the appropriate State official, promptly provide him or her with a written statement of the reasons for the proposed conservatorship or liquidation, and reasonable time to respond to that statement; and
- (3) If the appropriate State official makes a timely written response that disagrees with the proposed conservatorship or liquidation and gives reasons for that disagreement, the NCUA Board shall not place the credit

union into conservatorship or liquidation unless it first considers the views of the appropriate State official and determines that—

- (i) The NCUSIF faces a significant risk of loss if the credit union is not placed into conservatorship or liquidation; and
- (ii) Conservatorship or liquidation is necessary either to reduce the risk of loss, or to reduce the expected loss, to the NCUSIF with respect to the credit union.
- (b) *Nondelegation*. The NCUA Board may not delegate any determination under paragraph (a)(3) of this section.
- (c) Consultation on proposed discretionary action. The NCUA Board shall consult and seek to work cooperatively with the appropriate State official before taking any discretionary supervisory action under §\$702.202(b), 702.203(b), 702.204(b), 702.304(b) and 702.305(b) with respect to a federally-insured State-chartered credit union; shall provide prompt notice of its decision to the appropriate State official; and shall allow the appropriate State official to take the proposed action independently or jointly with NCUA.

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§ 702.206 Net worth restoration plans.

- (a) Schedule for filing—(1) Generally. A federally-insured credit union shall file a written net worth restoration plan (NWRP) with the appropriate Regional Director and, if State-chartered, the appropriate State official, within 45 calendar days of the effective date of classification as either "undercapitalized," "significantly undercapitalized," or "critically undercapitalized," unless the NCUA Board notifies the credit union in writing that its NWRP is to be filed within a different period.
- (2) Exception. An otherwise "adequately capitalized" credit union that is reclassified "undercapitalized" on safety and soundness grounds under §702.102(b) is not required to submit a NWRP solely due to the reclassification, unless the NCUA Board notifies the credit union that it must submit an NWRP.
- (3) Filing of additional plan. Notwithstanding paragraph (a)(1) of this section, a credit union that has already

- submitted and is operating under a NWRP approved under this section is not required to submit an additional NWRP due to a change in net worth category (including by reclassification under §702.102(b)), unless the NCUA Board notifies the credit union that it must submit a new NWRP. A credit union that is notified to submit a new or revised NWRP shall file the NWRP in writing with the appropriate Regional Director within 30 calendar days of receiving such notice, unless the NCUA Board notifies the credit union in writing that the NWRP is to be filed within a different period.
- (4) Failure to timely file plan. When a credit union fails to timely file an NWRP pursuant to this paragraph, the NCUA Board shall promptly notify the credit union that it has failed to file an NWRP and that it has 15 calendar days from receipt of that notice within which to file an NWRP.
- (b) Assistance to small credit unions. Upon timely request by a credit union having total assets of less than \$10 million (regardless how long it has been in operation), the NCUA Board shall provide assistance in preparing an NWRP required to be filed under paragraph (a) of this section.
- (c) Contents of NWRP. An NWRP must—
 - (1) Specify—
- (i) A quarterly timetable of steps the credit union will take to increase its net worth ratio so that it becomes "adequately capitalized" by the end of the term of the NWRP, and to remain so for four (4) consecutive calendar quarters. If "complex," the credit union is subject to a risk-based net worth requirement that may require a net worth ratio higher than six percent (6%) to become "adequately capitalized";
- (ii) The projected amount of earnings to be transferred to the regular reserve account in each quarter of the term of the NWRP as required under §702.201(a), or as permitted under §702.201(b):
- (iii) How the credit union will comply with the mandatory and any discretionary supervisory actions imposed on it by the NCUA Board under this subpart: