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§ 1700.1 Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight.

(a) Scope and authority. The Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight (referred to as OFHEO) is an independent office within the Department of Housing and Urban Development. OFHEO was created by the Federal Housing Enterprises Financial Safety and Soundness Act of 1992 (Act), Title XIII of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 (Pub. L. 102-550, October 28, 1992; 106 Stat. 3943; 12 U.S.C. 4501, et seq.). OFHEO is responsible for the examination and financial regulation of the Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (Freddie Mac) (collectively, the Enterprises). OFHEO is charged with ensuring that the Enterprises are adequately capitalized and operating in a safe and sound manner. OFHEO's costs and expenses are funded by annual assessments paid by the Enterprises. OFHEO is headed by a Director, who is appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate for a fivevear term.

(b) Location. OFHEO is located at 1700 G Street NW., 4th Floor, Washington, DC 20552. OFHEO's hours of business are 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. (eastern standard time), Monday through Friday, excluding Federal holidays.

§ 1700.2 Organization of the Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight.

(a) *Director*. The Director has exclusive authority under the Act with respect to the management of OFHEO, and is responsible for directing the de-

velopment, implementation, and review of all OFHEO programs and functions. The Director appoints such personnel as may be necessary to carry out the functions of OFHEO. The Director may delegate to OFHEO officers and employees any of the functions, powers, and duties of the Director, as the Director considers appropriate. The Director may establish and fix the responsibilities of the offices within OFHEO as the Director deems necessary for the efficient functioning of OFHEO.

(b) Deputy Director. The Deputy Director of OFHEO is appointed by the Director in accordance with the Act. In the event of the absence, sickness, death or resignation of the Director, the Deputy Director serves as acting Director until the Director's return or the confirmation of a successor. The Deputy Director performs such functions, powers and duties as the Director determines are necessary with respect to OFHEO's management and the development and implementation of OFHEO's programs and functions.

(c) Executive Director and Chief of Staff. The Executive Director and Chief of Staff of OFHEO heads the Office of Executive Director. The Executive Director and Chief of Staff reports to the Director and the Deputy Director. The Executive Director and Chief of Staff is the chief administrative officer of OFHEO, serves as a legal advisor on administrative matters, and coordinates communication and cooperation on administrative issues with the Office of General Counsel.

(d) Offices and functions. (1) Office of Executive Director. The Office of Executive Director consists of the Office of Budget and Financial Management, the Office of Human Resources Management, the Office of Technology and Information Management, and the Office of Strategic Planning and Management. The Office of Executive Director is responsible for OFHEO-wide management and oversight of all administrative matters.