Ginnie Mae One-Time Assignment of Unique Loan Keys File Layout

In May 2008, Ginnie Mae will perform a one-time assignment of Unique Loan Keys for the existing portfolio (loans in active Ginnie Mae pools as of the April 2008 reporting period). Issuers will be required to apply these Unique Loan Keys to their own systems prior to RFS Issuer Testing. These Unique Loan Keys will be made available to each issuer as a downloadable flat text file from e-Access (the layout of the file is listed below).

 One file will be created per Issuer ID#. The file naming convention will be: lkiiiiyyyymm.txt, where:
- lk is constant
- iiii is the Ginnie Mae Issuer ID#
- yyyymm is the reporting year and month
- .txt is the file extension.

Field Number	Field Name	Start	End	Type	Length	Remarks	Description
1	Issuer ID	1	4	Numeric	4		Issuer number Ginnie Mae assigned to the issuer organization.
2	Pool ID	5	10	Character	6	A valid Ginnie Mae pool. Right justified with leading zeroes.	The Ginnie Mae 6 character Pool ID reported by the issuer (for the identified reporting period) for the pool/loan package.
3	Issuer Loan ID	11	30	Character	20	Left justified with trailing spaces.	The Issuer loan number reported by the issuer (for the identified reporting period) to identify the loan to the issuer's internal system.
4	Record Date	31	36	Date	6	YYYYMM	The Ginnie Mae reporting year/month of issuer reported loan level record for which the loan key was created.
5	Loan OPB	37	49	Numeric	13	9999999999.99 Right justified with leading zeroes.	Original Principal Balance, the dollar amount reported by the issuer to Ginnie Mae for the particular reporting period.
6	Loan Key	50	58	Numeric	9	999999999 Exactly 9 digits.	A number assigned by Ginnie Mae which uniquely identifies this loan. This is a new data element as listed in the Issuer Reporting Technical Specification.