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FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE BOARD

Federal Home Loan Bank Dividends - First Quarter 1999

WHEREAS, the Federal Housing Finance Board (Finance Board) must approve dividends to be paid by the Federal Home Loan Banks (FHLBanks) to their members pursuant to section 16(a) of the Federal Home Loan Bank Act (Bank Act), 12 U.S.C. § 1436(a), and in determining whether to approve quarterly dividend recommendations from the FHLBanks, the Finance Board seeks to balance the need for the FHLBanks to provide a market rate of return to System shareholders and the duty to ensure the safety and soundness of the FHLBank System, including the ability of each FHLBank and the FHLBank System as a whole to meet their financial commitments on consolidated obligations and to REFCorp and the Affordable Housing Program; and

WHEREAS, the FHLBanks, in accordance with section 16(a) of the Bank Act section 932.3 of the Finance Board regulations (12 C.F.R. § 932.3), and Resolution Number 1992-68, dated February 13, 1992, have submitted their first quarter 1999 dividend recommendations to the Finance Board for approval; and

WHEREAS, Finance Board approval of first quarter 1999 FHLBank dividends does not represent a determination by the Finance Board that such dividend levels are necessary to preserve the safety and soundness of the FHLBank System.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED that the Finance Board hereby approves the following first quarter dividends for the FHLBanks:

Boston	6.40	%	Chicago	6.25	%
New York	6.68	%	Des Moines	6.25	%
Pittsburgh	6.50	%	Dallas	5.50	%
Atlanta	7.50	%	Topeka	7.00	%
Cincinnati	7.00	%	San Francisco	5.69	%
Indianapolis	8.00	%	Seattle	7.75	%

By the Board of Directors of the Federal Housing Finance Board

/s/ Bruce A. Morrison

Bruce A. Morrison, Chairman