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### **FHFA Announces New Conservatorship Scorecard for Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac; Reduces Executive Compensation**

**Washington, DC** – Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA) Acting Director Edward J. DeMarco today released a 2012 Conservatorship Scorecard, which provides the implementation roadmap for the new FHFA Strategic Plan announced in February 2012. The scorecard includes specific objectives and timetables for Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (the Enterprises) in support of the strategic plan.

FHFA also announced details on the new 2012 executive compensation programs at Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. The 2012 pay program reduces top executive pay by nearly 75 percent since conservatorship, eliminates bonuses, and establishes a target for new CEO pay at \$500,000. In setting this new compensation framework, FHFA concluded that further material reductions or uncertainty around compensation would heighten safety and soundness concerns.

“I believe the new compensation program strikes the balance between prudent executive pay including the elimination of bonuses, with the need to safeguard quality staffing in order to protect the taxpayers’ investment and achieve the objectives in the Conservatorship Scorecard,” said DeMarco. “A sudden and sharp change in pay from these levels would certainly risk a substantial exodus of talent, the best leaving first in many instances. A significant increase in safety and soundness risks and in costly operational failures would, in my opinion, be highly likely.”

The 2012 compensation program, disclosed today in the Enterprises’ SEC filings, was established by FHFA in consultation with the Boards of Directors for both Enterprises and the Department of the Treasury, as required by the Senior Preferred Stock Purchase Agreements established at the time of conservatorship in September 2008.

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*The Federal Housing Finance Agency regulates Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac and the 12 Federal Home Loan Banks. These government-sponsored enterprises provide more than \$5.7 trillion in funding for the U.S. mortgage markets and financial institutions.*

Attachments (Scroll down):

2012 Conservatorship Scorecard

2012 Executive Compensation Program, 2011 payments in fulfillment of previous plans, and impact of pay reductions

[Click here for FHFA Strategic Plan](#)



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Securitization platform</u></b></li> </ul>	10%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In collaboration with FHFA and the other Enterprise, develop and finalize a plan by December 31, 2012, for the design and build of a single securitization platform that can serve both Enterprises and a post-conservatorship market with multiple future issuers.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Pooling and servicing agreements</u></b></li> </ul>	5%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Propose a model pooling and servicing agreement, collaborate with other Enterprise and FHFA on a specific proposal, seek public comment, and produce final recommendations for standard Enterprise trust documentation by December 31, 2012.</li> </ul>
<b><u>2. Contract the Enterprises' dominant presence in the marketplace while simplifying and shrinking certain operations.</u></b>	30%	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Work with FHFA to evaluate options for meeting conservatorship goals, including shifting mortgage credit risk to private investors via assessment of:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Multifamily line of business</li> <li>○ Investment assets and nonperforming loans</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	10%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Undertake a market analysis by December 31, 2012, of the viability of multifamily business operations without government guarantees. Review the likely viability of these models operating on a stand-alone basis after attracting private capital and adjusting pricing if needed.</li> <li>• Perform analysis of investments portfolio as described in the strategic plan by the fourth quarter of 2012 and make preparations for the competitive disposition of a pool of nonperforming assets by September 30, 2012.</li> <li>• Review options with board of directors and FHFA and make appropriate recommendations for future actions.</li> <li>• Implement plan agreed to by board and FHFA.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Risk sharing</u></b></li> </ul>	10%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Initiate risk sharing transactions by September 30, 2012.</li> <li>• Execute new risk sharing transactions beyond the traditional charter required mortgage insurance coverage.</li> <li>• Propose timeline for continued growth in risk sharing through 2013.</li> </ul>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Pricing</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Single-family guarantee fee pricing increases</li> <li>○ Set plan to price for state law effects on mortgage credit losses given default</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	10%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop and begin implementing plan to increase guarantee fee pricing to more closely approximate the private sector.</li> <li>• Set uniform pricing across loan sellers to extent practicable.</li> <li>• Work with FHFA to develop appropriate risk-based pricing by state. State-level pricing grid to be completed by August 31, 2012.</li> </ul>
<b><u>3. Maintain foreclosure prevention activities and credit availability for new and refinanced mortgages.</u></b>	20%	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Loss mitigation through continued implementation and enhancement of Servicer Alignment Initiative</u></b></li> <li>• <b><u>Short sales</u></b></li> <li>• <b><u>Deeds in lieu and deeds-for-lease</u></b></li> </ul>	10%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enhance transparency of servicer requirements around foreclosure timelines and compensatory fees and publish applicable announcements by September 30, 2012.</li> <li>• Enhance short sales programs that include efforts to identify program obstacles that impact utilization by June 30, 2012. Applicable lender announcements to foreclosure alternatives by September 30, 2012.</li> <li>• Design, develop, or enhance deed in lieu and deed-for-lease programs that include efforts to identify and resolve program obstacles that impact utilization by September 30, 2012. Applicable lender announcements to foreclosure alternatives by December 31, 2012.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Real estate owned sales</u></b></li> </ul>	10%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implement, as needed, loans to facilitate real estate owned (REO) sales program by June 30, 2012.</li> <li>• Expand financing for small investors in REO properties by June 30, 2012.</li> <li>• Initiate disposition pilot, either through financing or bulk sales, by September 30, 2012.</li> <li>• Expand pilot programs and establish ongoing sales program, as agreed to with FHFA, during 2012.</li> </ul>
<b><u>4. Manage efficiently in support of conservatorship goals</u></b>	20%	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Conservatorship / board priorities</u></b></li> </ul>	20%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work closely with FHFA toward concluding litigation associated with private-label securities and whole loan repurchase claims, as appropriate.</li> <li>• Prioritize and manage Enterprise operations in support of conservatorship goals and board directions.</li> <li>• Adapt to evolving conservatorship requirements.</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collaborate fully with FHFA and when requested, the other Enterprise.</li> <li>• Actively seek and consider public input on conservatorship-related projects, as requested.</li> <li>• Effectively identify, communicate, and remediate situations that create risk for the conservatorships or avoidable taxpayer losses.</li> <li>• Ensure corporate governance procedures are maintained, including timely reporting to the board and adhering to board mandates and expectations.</li> <li>• Take steps to mitigate key person dependencies and maintain appropriate internal controls and risk management governance.</li> <li>• Achieve milestones agreed to within the year with regard to accounting alignment.</li> </ul>
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Notes:

- Scoring will be based not only on ultimate accomplishment of results but cooperation, relative contribution, and collaboration with the board, FHFA, the other Enterprise, and market participants, as appropriate to the particular measure.
- FHFA will consider the Enterprise's creativity, collaboration, effectiveness, and commitment to the particular matter.
- Most goals have a target date of completion of December 31, 2012. However, if an Enterprise is able to accomplish the goal earlier in the year, that will be taken into consideration in the scoring to offset shortfalls elsewhere.

## **Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac Executive Compensation**

### **Overview**

The 2012 Executive Compensation Program, which is included in Fannie Mae's 10-K/A and Freddie Mac's 10-K filings also released today, further reduces pay from levels preceding the conservatorship and eliminates bonuses from the Enterprise executive compensation program. Combined with plans to hire new CEOs at sharply reduced compensation, the latest reductions will result in total reductions during the conservatorships of roughly 75 percent in the pay of the top five positions at each Enterprise, with none of the top 10 compensated positions at either Enterprise filled with pre-conservatorship incumbents. The compensation for each of the top five executives at both Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac is, in the aggregate, more than 30 percent below the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile (market median) for comparable positions, and will be more than 50 percent below the median with the anticipated, \$500,000 per year compensation, planned for the new CEOs.

In addition, the Enterprises have reduced the number of senior executives at each of the firms by roughly one-fourth from a pre-conservatorship level of 91 to the current level of 70, with more than 80 percent at both Enterprises now paid less than the market median. The total target pay for the top 15 executives at each Enterprise will drop 63 percent in 2012 from the total pay received prior to conservatorship.

To put the new 2012 compensation in further context, when FHFA first established an executive compensation program for the Enterprises in 2009, we reduced senior executive pay by an aggregate 40 percent. Since then, further reductions including those anticipated for CEO pay and others announced today, have lowered executive compensation at the two Enterprises by an additional 40 percent from the 2009 level.

Cost reductions have also been realized through attrition and reductions in force. Mid-level managers and rank-and-file staff have been held to a pay freeze the past two years, and unlike the freeze for federal employees, there are no within-grade step increases. In addition to the reduction in senior managers at both companies since conservatorship, overall staff levels have been held in check, despite the market's increased reliance on the Enterprises. Increases in staff counts generally have been in two areas, each critical to the success of the conservatorships: loss mitigation and support for the Home Affordable Modification Program (HAMP) (and those positions are funded by Treasury under a contract with the Enterprises).

The 2012 Executive Compensation Program for the Enterprises continues the following features from earlier programs:

- Base salaries are capped at \$500,000 per year, except for the Chief Financial Officers, which is more restrictive than any of the financial institutions that received exceptional Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP) assistance.
- No retirement plans for executive officers use more generous formulas than plans for lower-ranking officers.
- No expense reimbursements include tax gross-ups.
- Deferred salary can be clawed back for gross misconduct, gross negligence, conviction of a felony, or erroneous performance metrics.

In setting this new compensation framework, FHFA concluded that further material reductions or uncertainty around compensation would heighten safety and soundness concerns. An effect of the fragile nature of staffing can be found in Freddie Mac's 10-K issued today.

## **2012 Executive Compensation Plan**

The new plan includes a retention feature and reductions for missed performance, and it eliminates the incentive plans that have been in place for the past three years. Moreover, the new plan provides a further lowering of Enterprise pay while keeping it somewhat competitive. The new structure consists of cash base salary, paid biweekly or semi-monthly, and deferred salary paid after a one-year deferral.

1. Executive Total Direct Compensation is being reduced by 10 percent, with a few exceptions for executives already positioned at a low percentile of the market data for comparable firms or in some cases for recent hires and promotions. The program includes no bonuses; all pay is either base salary paid semi-monthly/biweekly, or deferred salary. Deferred salary is payable in quarterly payments at quarter-ends, after a one-year deferral.
2. Deferred salary that is subject to performance-based reduction is equal to 30 percent of total salary. One-half of this amount is subject to a reduction based on the Enterprise's performance against the Conservatorship Scorecard as determined by FHFA, and the remaining half is subject to a reduction based on individual performance as evaluated by the CEO and the Enterprise Board of Directors.
3. The remaining, fixed portion of deferred salary is paid in full to all executives still employed at the Enterprise when the payment is due. However, if the executive leaves the Enterprise prior to any scheduled payment, the earned amount paid to the executive is reduced by 2 percent for each full or partial month that the termination date precedes January 31, 2014.

## **2012 Executive Compensation**

	Total Direct Compensation	Salary Paid Biweekly/Semimonthly	Deferred Salary Subject to Conservatorship Performance Reduction	Deferred Salary Subject to Personal Performance Reduction	Deferred Salary Subject to Retention Reduction
<b>Freddie Mac</b>					
Charles E. Haldeman, Jr. <sup>1</sup>	\$ 5,400,000	\$ 900,000	\$ 810,000	\$ 810,000	\$ 2,880,000
Ross Kari	\$ 3,150,000	\$ 675,000	\$ 472,500	\$ 472,500	\$ 1,530,000
Anthony Renzi	\$ 2,475,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 371,250	\$ 371,250	\$ 1,232,500
Jerry Weiss	\$ 1,980,000	\$ 495,000	\$ 297,000	\$ 297,000	\$ 891,000
Paige Wisdom	\$ 1,750,000	\$ 467,500	\$ 262,500	\$ 262,500	\$ 757,500

	Total Direct Compensation	Salary Paid Biweekly/Semimonthly	Deferred Salary Subject to Conservatorship Performance Reduction	Deferred Salary Subject to Personal Performance Reduction	Deferred Salary Subject to Retention Reduction
<b>Fannie Mae</b>					
Michael J. Williams <sup>1</sup>	\$ 5,400,000	\$ 900,000	\$ 810,000	\$ 810,000	\$ 2,880,000
Susan R. McFarland	\$ 2,880,000	\$ 600,000	\$ 432,000	\$ 432,000	\$ 1,416,000
David C. Benson	\$ 2,520,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 378,000	\$ 378,000	\$ 1,264,000
Terence W. Edwards	\$ 2,520,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 378,000	\$ 378,000	\$ 1,264,000
Timothy J. Mayopoulos	\$ 2,655,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 398,250	\$ 398,250	\$ 1,358,500

<sup>1</sup> CEOs Haldeman and Williams have announced their departures pending hiring of their replacements.

## **2011 Payments in Fulfillment of the Previous Plans**

Successful adoption of the new plan cannot occur without meeting our responsibilities under the previous plan. In consideration of the need for the government to live up to its promises, the legal rights of executives, and the performances of each Enterprise and its executives in meeting most of the goals and standards required of them, FHFA has approved payments to the most senior executives at the Enterprises, as follows:

### **2011 Executive Compensation**

<b>Freddie Mac</b>	<b>Actual Total Direct Compensation</b>	<b>Target Total Direct Compensation</b>	<b>Salary Paid Biweekly/Semimonthly</b>	<b>Deferred Salary Fixed</b>	<b>Deferred Salary Performance Based</b>	<b>2011 Long Term Incentive</b>	<b>2010 Long Term Incentive 2nd Installment</b>
Charles E. Haldeman, Jr. <sup>2</sup>	\$ 3,798,500	\$ 6,000,000	\$ 900,000	\$ 1,550,000	\$ 1,348,500	\$ -	\$ -
Ross Kari	\$ 3,214,313	\$ 3,500,000	\$ 675,000	\$ 829,167	\$ 721,375	\$ 480,125	\$ 508,646
Anthony Renzi*	\$ 2,029,075	\$ 2,750,000	\$ 473,864	\$ 592,614	\$ 515,574	\$ 308,416	\$ 138,807
Jerry Weiss	\$ 2,019,315	\$ 2,200,000	\$ 450,000	\$ 508,334	\$ 442,249	\$ 316,367	\$ 302,365
Paige Wisdom	\$ 1,602,681	\$ 1,750,000	\$ 425,000	\$ 370,834	\$ 322,624	\$ 251,656	\$ 232,567

<sup>2</sup> The Board of Directors of Freddie Mac intended to approve Mr. Haldeman for incentive payments of \$743,577 for the 2011 Long Term Incentive and \$788,064 for the 2010 Long Term Incentive 2<sup>nd</sup> Installment, consistent with the Enterprise's performance, but Mr. Haldeman asked not to be included prior to any approval being issued.

\*Actuals prorated based on date in position.

<b>Fannie Mae</b>	<b>Actual Total Direct Compensation</b>	<b>Target Total Direct Compensation</b>	<b>Salary Paid Biweekly/Semimonthly</b>	<b>Deferred Salary Fixed</b>	<b>Deferred Salary Performance Based</b>	<b>2011 Long Term Incentive</b>	<b>2010 Long Term Incentive 2nd Installment</b>
Michael J. Williams	\$ 5,258,500	\$ 6,000,000	\$ 900,000	\$ 1,550,000	\$ 1,317,500	\$ 714,000	\$ 777,000
Susan R. McFarland <sup>3</sup>	\$ 2,237,239	\$ 2,387,580	\$ 600,000	\$ 766,667	\$ 651,666	\$ 218,906	\$ -
David Hisey <sup>3</sup>	\$ 1,889,850	\$ 2,200,000	\$ 425,000	\$ 522,500	\$ 444,125	\$ 229,950	\$ 268,275
David C. Benson	\$ 2,587,495	\$ 2,800,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 684,834	\$ 582,108	\$ 410,276	\$ 410,277
Terence W. Edwards	\$ 2,621,686	\$ 2,800,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 684,834	\$ 582,108	\$ 439,582	\$ 415,162
Timothy J. Mayopoulos	\$ 2,811,591	\$ 2,950,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 734,834	\$ 624,608	\$ 483,794	\$ 468,355

<sup>3</sup> Susan McFarland the current Chief Financial Officer replaced David Hisey, Acting Chief Financial Officer, in July 2011.

As shown above, actual compensation was less than target compensation. That reflects scores of less than 100 percent for each Enterprise on each of the Enterprise Scorecards used to determine a portion of deferred salary, the 2011 long-term incentive pool, and the 2010 long-term incentive pool. For Freddie Mac, the respective scores that were approved by FHFA acting as conservator were 87 percent, 79 percent, and 84 percent. For Fannie Mae, the scores were 85 percent for each purpose. Individual results for the long-term incentive awards also reflect personal performance of the individual executives. Details of the accomplishments and scoring considerations behind those scores can be found in the Enterprises' filings today and will be placed on FHFA's website on release. The deferred salary is not a bonus, but rather was designed to mimic in part the deferred salary paid by firms receiving special assistance from TARP, which is paid in the form of company stock. Because that was not feasible for Enterprise employees, part of their deferred salary was tied to Enterprise goals, the closest approximation possible. Further detail can be found in our announcement made December 24, 2009:

[http://www.fhfa.gov/webfiles/15332/Exec\\_Comp\\_12\\_24\\_09%5b1%5d.pdf](http://www.fhfa.gov/webfiles/15332/Exec_Comp_12_24_09%5b1%5d.pdf)

The amounts paid in February 2012 in fulfillment of the Target Incentive Opportunities component of compensation from pre-2012 compensation packages for the named executive officers at the two Enterprises, who are listed on the previous page, totaled \$7.37 million, down 33 percent from the total amounts paid to the named officers a year ago.



## **Impact of Reductions**

Impact of reductions on the overall average of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac's total direct compensation (TDC) for named executive officers (NEOs), the top 15 most highly compensated officers and CEOs.\*

- NEOs: 2008 to 2012 Target TDC (Total Direct Compensation) will be down 74%
- NEOs: 2011 to 2012 Target TDC will be down 37%
- Top 15: 2008 to 2012 Target TDC will be down 64%
- Top 15: 2011 to 2012 Target TDC will be down 24%
- CEO: 2008 to 2012 Target TDC will be down 95%
- CEO: 2011 to 2012 Target TDC will be down 92%

Impact of reductions on Fannie Mae\*

- NEOs: 2008 to 2012 Target TDC will be down 77%
- NEOs: 2011 to 2012 Target TDC will be down 35%
- Top 15: 2008 to 2012 Target TDC will be down 64%
- Top 15: 2011 to 2012 Target TDC will be down 22%
- CEO: 2008 to 2012 Target TDC will be down 93%
- CEO: 2011 to 2012 Target TDC will be down 92%

Impact of reductions on Freddie Mac\*

- NEOs: 2008 to 2012 Target TDC will be down 69%
- NEOs: 2011 to 2012 Target TDC will be down 39%
- Top 15: 2008 to 2012 Target TDC will be down 64%
- Top 15: 2011 to 2012 Target TDC will be down 26%
- CEO: 2008 to 2012 Target TDC will be down 97%
- CEO: 2011 to 2012 Target TDC will be down 92%

\*After planned hiring of new CEOs at \$500,000 each.