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Updates on Ginnie Mae Products and Programs

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Mission: To support affordable housing in America by linking global capital markets to the nation's housing markets.



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This publication will be used periodically to provide reminders or further information about Ginnie Mae programs, as well as notification of upcoming training events or conference calls of interest to our Issuers. Please note, APMs (All Participants Memoranda) will continue to be the formal communication device used to announce and implement official policy changes to Ginnie Mae's Mortgage-Backed Securities (MBS) programs.

If you have any comments or suggestions on how to make this publication more informative and helpful, please contact your Account Executive directly.

Alphanumeric Pool Numbers: Ginnie Mae would like to remind all Issuers and Document Custodians that the Ginnie Mae test region is now available for alphanumeric testing. Issuers and Document Custodians are encouraged to contact the Ginnie Mae Help Desk at 1-800-234-4662, option 1, to obtain access rights to the test region. See APM 10-25, dated December 21, 2010. The testing window will be available November 1, 2011 through January 31, 2012. Ginnie Mae anticipates using alphanumeric pool numbers in the first quarter of 2012.

Upcoming Training Event: Ginnie Mae is pleased to announce that we will be releasing a Ginnie Mae Basics training course in November for newly approved Issuers and those in the approval process. The purpose of this course will be to educate Issuers on the Ginnie Mae program and the steps involved in issuing your first securities. This course will be delivered in a webinar format and the initial presentation dates will be announced soon through e-Notifications and posted on the website.

Save the Date! On Thursday, December 8, 2011, Ginnie Mae will hold an Issuer Outreach Call. Agenda details will be distributed via e-Notification and placed on the website. If you have a specific item you would like to see discussed, please provide your input via the "Send Suggestions" link at the bottom of the Ginnie Mae website, or by using the following link: https://www.ginniemae.gov/help/suggest.asp?Section=Contact

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