

### June 26, 2012

### Subject: Federal Stafford, Federal PLUS, Federal SLS, and Federal Consolidation Interest Rate Calculations for the Period July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2013

The attached charts show the variable interest rates applicable to the Federal Stafford, Federal SLS, Federal PLUS, and Federal Consolidation loan programs for the period **July 1**, **2012** – **June 30**, **2013**. Interest rates for variable-rate loans under these programs are determined annually, and are based on the following:

- <u>Stafford Loans</u> based on the bond equivalent rate of 91-day Treasury Bills auctioned at the final auction held before June 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. The bond equivalent rate for 91-day Treasury Bills auctioned on May 29, 2012 is 0.086 percent, which rounds to **0.09** percent.
- <u>PLUS/SLS Loans</u> based on either the bond equivalent rate of 91-day Treasury Bills auctioned at the final auction held before June 1<sup>st</sup> of each year, or the weekly average of the one-year constant maturity Treasury yield as published for the last calendar week ending on or before June 26<sup>th</sup> of each year. The bond equivalent rate for 91-day Treasury Bills auctioned on May 29, 2012, is 0.086 percent, which rounds to **0.09** percent. The weekly average of the one-year constant maturity Treasury yield for the last calendar week ending on or before June 26<sup>th</sup> is **0.19** percent.
- <u>Consolidation Loans</u> for which the loan application was received by an eligible lender on or after 11/13/97 but prior to 10/1/98 are based on the bond equivalent rate of 91-day Treasury Bills auctioned at the final auction held before June 1<sup>st</sup> of each year, or **0.09** percent. For the HEAL portion of consolidation loans for which the loan

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application was received by an eligible lender on or after 11/13/97, the rate is based on the average of the bond equivalent rates of the 91-day Treasury Bills auctioned for the quarter ending June  $30^{\text{th}}$  of each year, or 0.087 percent which rounds to **0.09** percent.

These rates do not affect Federal Stafford or Federal PLUS loans made on or after July 1, 2006 that are subject to fixed-rates.

Accounting Division Finance Office

Attachment

#### FFEL "Converted" Variable-rate Stafford Loan Interest Rates for the Period July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013 (Loans That Were Subject to the "Windfall Profits" Provisions of §427A(i) of the HEA) (Table 1)

| COHORT                                         | CITATION                                       | INTEREST RATE F              | INTEREST RATE FORMULA (T-Bill Rate + Additional Sum = Total) |       |              |                                                          |  |  |
|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------|--------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--|--|
| Type of Loan                                   | Higher Education<br>Act of 1965, As<br>Amended | 91-Day Treasury<br>Bill Rate | Additional Sum                                               | Total | Maximum Rate | INTEREST RATE<br>FOR THE<br>PERIOD 7/1/12 –<br>6/30/2013 |  |  |
| 8/10% Loans<br>(SD/XB FVAR10)                  | \$427A(i)(1)<br>\$427A(i)(7)(A)                | 0.09%                        | 3.25%                                                        | 3.34% | 10%          | 3.34%                                                    |  |  |
| 7% Loans<br>(SD/XB FVAR7)<br>(SE/XE FVAR7)     | §427A(i)(3)<br>§427A(i)(7)(A)                  | 0.09%                        | 3.1%                                                         | 3.19% | 7%           | 3.19%                                                    |  |  |
| 8% Loans<br>(SD/XB FVAR8)<br>(SE/XE FVAR8)     | §427A(i)(3)<br>§427A(i)(7)(A)                  | 0.09%                        | 3.1%                                                         | 3.19% | 8%           | 3.19%                                                    |  |  |
| 9% Loans<br>(SD/XB FVAR9)<br>(SE/XE FVAR9)     | \$427A(i)(3)<br>\$427A(i)(7)(A)                | 0.09%                        | 3.1%                                                         | 3.19% | 9%           | 3.19%                                                    |  |  |
| 8/10% Loans<br>(SD/XB FVARX)<br>(SE/XE FVAR10) | §427A(i)(3)<br>§427A(i)(7)(A)                  | 0.09%                        | 3.1%                                                         | 3.19% | 10%          | 3.19%                                                    |  |  |

# FFEL Regular Variable-rate Stafford Loan Interest Rates for the Period July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013 (Table 2)

| COHORT                                                                    |                                                                                                  |                                           | CITATION                                          | INTEREST RATE FORMULA (T-Bill Rate + Additional Sum = Total) |                                 |                   |       |                 |                                                                |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|-------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Type of<br>Borrower                                                       | First<br>Disburse-<br>ment Made<br>On or After                                                   | First<br>Disburse-<br>ment Made<br>Before | Higher<br>Education<br>Act of 1965,<br>As Amended | During                                                       | 91-Day<br>Treasury<br>Bill Rate | Additional<br>Sum | Total | Maximum<br>Rate | INTEREST<br>RATE FOR<br>THE<br>PERIOD<br>7/1/12 –<br>6/30/2013 |
| "New"<br>Borrower<br>(SE/XE EVAR)                                         | 10/1/92                                                                                          | 7/1/94                                    | §427A(e)(1)                                       |                                                              | 0.09%                           | 3.1%              | 3.19% | 9%              | 3.19%                                                          |
| "New"<br>Borrower<br>(SE/XE EVAR)                                         | 7/1/94<br>(for a period<br>of enrollment<br>ending prior<br>to 7/1/94)                           |                                           | §427A(e)(1)                                       |                                                              | 0.09%                           | 3.1%              | 3.19% | 9%              | 3.19%                                                          |
| All<br>Borrowers<br>(regardless of<br>prior<br>borrowing)<br>(SG/XG EVAR) | 7/1/94<br>(for a period<br>of enrollment<br>that includes<br>or begins on<br>or after<br>7/1/94) | 7/1/95                                    | §427A(f)(1)                                       |                                                              | 0.09%                           | 3.1%              | 3.19% | 8.25%           | 3.19%                                                          |

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| COHORT                                                    |                                                |                                           | CITATION                                                         | INTEREST RATE FORMULA (T-Bill Rate + Additional Sum = Total) |                                 |                   |       |                 |                                                                |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|-------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Type of<br>Borrower                                       | First<br>Disburse-<br>ment Made<br>On or After | First<br>Disburse-<br>ment Made<br>Before | Higher<br>Education<br>Act of 1965,<br>As Amended                | During                                                       | 91-Day<br>Treasury<br>Bill Rate | Additional<br>Sum | Total | Maximum<br>Rate | INTEREST<br>RATE FOR<br>THE<br>PERIOD<br>7/1/12 –<br>6/30/2013 |
| All<br>Borrowers<br>(regardless of<br>prior<br>borrowing) | 7/1/95                                         | 7/1/98                                    | §427A(g)(2)<br>(SH/XH EVAR)                                      | In-school,<br>grace and<br>deferment<br>periods              | 0.09%                           | 2.5%              | 2.59% | 8.25%           | 2.59%                                                          |
|                                                           |                                                |                                           | §427A(f)(1)<br>(SG/XG EVAR)                                      | All other periods                                            | 0.09%                           | 3.1%              | 3.19% | 8.25%           | 3.19%                                                          |
| All<br>Borrowers<br>(regardless of<br>prior<br>borrowing) | 7/1/98                                         | 7/1/2006                                  | §427A(j)(2)<br>§427A(k)(2)<br>(SJ/XJ/CA/CE/<br>LA/LE/XM<br>EVAR) | In-school,<br>grace and<br>deferment<br>periods              | 0.09%                           | 1.7%              | 1.79% | 8.25%           | 1.79%                                                          |
|                                                           |                                                |                                           | §427A(j)(1)<br>§427A(k)(1)<br>(SK/XK/CB/CF/<br>LB/LF/XN<br>EVAR) | All other periods                                            | 0.09%                           | 2.3%              | 2.39% | 8.25%           | 2.39%                                                          |

| СОНОВТ                                  |                                                                               |                                           | CITATION                                          | INTEREST RATE FORMULA (T-Bill Rate + Additional Sum = Total) |                                  |                   |       |                 |                                                                |
|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|-------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Type of<br>Loan                         | First<br>Disburse-<br>ment Made<br>On or After                                | First<br>Disburse-<br>ment Made<br>Before | Higher<br>Education Act of<br>1965, As<br>Amended | 91-Day<br>Treasury<br>Bill Rate                              | One-year<br>Constant<br>Maturity | Additional<br>Sum | Total | Maximum<br>Rate | INTEREST<br>RATE FOR<br>THE<br>PERIOD<br>7/1/12 –<br>6/30/2013 |
| PLUS/SLS*<br>(SD/XB VAR)                |                                                                               | 10/1/92                                   | §427A(c)(4)(B)                                    |                                                              | 0.19%                            | 3.25%             | 3.44% | 12%             | 3.44%                                                          |
| SLS*<br>(SE/XE EVAR)                    | 10/1/92<br>(for a period<br>of enrollment<br>beginning<br>prior to<br>7/1/94) |                                           | §427A(c)(4)(D)                                    |                                                              | 0.19%                            | 3.1%              | 3.29% | 11%             | 3.29%                                                          |
| PLUS*<br>(SE/XE EVAR)                   | 10/1/92                                                                       | 7/1/94                                    | §427A(c)(4)(D)                                    |                                                              | 0.19%                            | 3.1%              | 3.29% | 10%             | 3.29%                                                          |
| PLUS<br>(SG/XG EVAR)                    | 7/1/94                                                                        | 7/1/98                                    | §427A(c)(4)(E)                                    |                                                              | 0.19%                            | 3.1%              | 3.29% | 9%              | 3.29%                                                          |
| PLUS*<br>(SH/XH EVAR)                   | 7/1/98                                                                        | 1/1/2000                                  | §427A(j)(3)<br>§427A(k)(3)                        | 0.09%                                                        |                                  | 3.1%              | 3.19% | 9%              | 3.19%                                                          |
| PLUS<br>(CD/XQ/CH/<br>LD/LH/XP<br>EVAR) | 1/1/2000                                                                      | 7/1/2006                                  | §427A(k)(3)                                       | 0.09%                                                        | . 0/20/10 10/21                  | 3.1%              | 3.19% | 9%              | 3.19%                                                          |

## FFEL Variable-rate PLUS and SLS Loan Interest Rates for the Period July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013 (Table 3)

\* These loans will <u>not</u> be subject to special allowance payments during the four quarters ending  $\frac{9}{30}{12}$ ,  $\frac{12}{31}{12}$ ,  $\frac{3}{31}{2013}$ , and  $\frac{6}{30}{2013}$ . See Sections  $\frac{438(b)(2)(C)(i)}{438(b)(2)(G)(v)}$ ;  $\frac{438(b)(2)(G)(v)}{438(b)(2)(G)(v)}$ ; and  $\frac{438(b)(2)(H)(v)}{438(b)(2)(H)(v)}$  of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended.

| COHORT                                     |                                       |                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                | CITATION INTEREST RATE FORMU                   |                                                                                                                                                                                  | LA                   |  |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|--|
| Consolidation<br>Loans Made On or<br>After | Consolidation<br>Loans Made<br>Before | Consolidation<br>Loans for Which<br>the Loan<br>Application Was<br>Received by an<br>Eligible Lender On<br>or After | Consolidation<br>Loans for Which<br>the Loan<br>Application Was<br>Received by an<br>Eligible Lender<br>Before | Higher Education<br>Act of 1965, As<br>Amended | Method Used to Determine<br>Interest Rate                                                                                                                                        | Maxi-<br>mum<br>Rate |  |
|                                            | 7/1/94                                |                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                | §428C(c)(1)(B)                                 | The interest rate is the weighted<br>average of the interest rates on<br>the loans consolidated, rounded<br>to the nearest whole percent, but<br>may not be less than 9 percent. |                      |  |
| 7/1/94<br>(SE)                             |                                       |                                                                                                                     | 11/13/97                                                                                                       | §428C(c)(1)(C)                                 | The interest rate is the weighted<br>average of the interest rates on<br>the loans consolidated, rounded<br>upward to the nearest whole<br>percent.                              |                      |  |

| COHORT                                     |                                       |                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                | CITATION                                       | INTEREST RATE FORMULA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                      |
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| Consolidation<br>Loans Made On or<br>After | Consolidation<br>Loans Made<br>Before | Consolidation<br>Loans for Which<br>the Loan<br>Application Was<br>Received by an<br>Eligible Lender On<br>or After | Consolidation<br>Loans for Which<br>the Loan<br>Application Was<br>Received by an<br>Eligible Lender<br>Before | Higher Education<br>Act of 1965, As<br>Amended | Method Used to Determine<br>Interest Rate                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Maxi-<br>mum<br>Rate |
|                                            |                                       | 11/13/97<br>(SG/XG EVAR)                                                                                            | 10/1/98                                                                                                        | §427A(f)<br>§428C(c)(1)(D)                     | The interest rate is determined<br>annually, and equals the bond<br>equivalent rate of 91-Day<br>Treasury Bills auctioned on the<br>final auction held before June<br>1 <sup>st</sup> of each year, plus 3.10<br>percent. The interest rate may<br>not exceed the maximum rate.<br>(For the period July 1, 2012<br>through June 30, 2013 the<br>interest rate for these loans is<br>0.09 percent plus 3.10 percent<br>or <b>3.19</b> percent.) | 8.25%                |

| COHORT                                     |                                       |                                                                                                                     | CITATION                                                                                                       | INTEREST RATE FORMULA                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                      |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Consolidation<br>Loans Made On or<br>After | Consolidation<br>Loans Made<br>Before | Consolidation<br>Loans for Which<br>the Loan<br>Application Was<br>Received by an<br>Eligible Lender On<br>or After | Consolidation<br>Loans for Which<br>the Loan<br>Application Was<br>Received by an<br>Eligible Lender<br>Before | Higher Education<br>Act of 1965, As<br>Amended | Method Used to Determine<br>Interest Rate                                                                                                                                                                           | Maxi-<br>mum<br>Rate |
|                                            |                                       | 10/1/98<br>(SL/XL/CC/CG/CK/LC/<br>LG/LK/XO)                                                                         | 6/30/2010                                                                                                      | §427A(k)(4)(A)<br>§428C(c)(1)(A)               | The interest rate is the weighted average of the interest rates on the loans being consolidated, rounded to the nearest higher $1/8^{\text{th}}$ of one percent. The interest rate may not exceed the maximum rate. | 8.25%                |

| COHORT                                     |                                       |                                                                                                                     | CITATION INTEREST RATE FORM                                                                                    |                                                | ULA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                      |
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| Consolidation<br>Loans Made On or<br>After | Consolidation<br>Loans Made<br>Before | Consolidation<br>Loans for Which<br>the Loan<br>Application Was<br>Received by an<br>Eligible Lender On<br>or After | Consolidation<br>Loans for Which<br>the Loan<br>Application Was<br>Received by an<br>Eligible Lender<br>Before | Higher Education<br>Act of 1965, As<br>Amended | Method Used to Determine<br>Interest Rate                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Maxi-<br>mum<br>Rate |
| HEAL Portion of the<br>Consolidation Loan  |                                       | 11/13/97                                                                                                            | 6/30/2010                                                                                                      | §428C(d)(2)(B)                                 | The interest rate for the HEAL<br>portion of the consolidation<br>loan is determined annually, and<br>equals the average of the bond<br>equivalent rates of the 91-Day<br>Treasury Bills auctioned for the<br>quarter ending June 30, plus 3.0<br>percent. There is no maximum<br>rate on this portion of the loan.<br>(For the period July 1, 2012<br>through June 30, 2013 the<br>interest rate for these loans is<br>0.09 percent plus 3.00 percent<br>or <b>3.09</b> percent.) | N/A                  |

### Loans First Disbursed on or After July 1, 2006 have Fixed Rates:

| LOAN TYPE           | GRADE LEVEL                                | First Disbursed<br>July 1, 2006 through<br>June 30, 2008 | First Disbursed<br>July 1, 2008 through<br>June 30, 2009 | First Disbursed<br>July 1, 2009 through<br>June 30, 2010 |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| Subsidized Stafford | Undergraduate<br>(CE/CF/CI/CJ/LE/LF/LI/LJ) | 6.80                                                     | 6.00                                                     | 5.60                                                     |
| Subsidized Stationd | Graduate<br>(CE/CF/CI/CJ/LE/LF/LI/LJ)      | 6.80                                                     | 6.80                                                     | 6.80                                                     |
| Unsubsidized        | Undergraduate<br>(CE/CF/CI/CJ/LE/LF/LI/LJ) | 6.80                                                     | 6.80                                                     | 6.80                                                     |
| Stafford            | Graduate<br>(CE/CF/CI/CJ/LE/LF/LI/LJ)      | 6.80                                                     | 6.80                                                     | 6.80                                                     |
| PLUS Loans          | Parent and Grad Student<br>(CH/CM/LH/LM)   | 8.50                                                     | 8.50                                                     | 8.50                                                     |