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### IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, UTAH COUNTY STATE OF UTAH

FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION,

Plaintiff,

V.

BONNIE H. LARSON AND LYLE J. LARSON,

Defendants.

RESPONSE TO MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT BY DEFENDANT FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION

Case No.: 100905009

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Judge: Decaria

Defendants by and through its counsel, Brian Arnold of Arnold & Wadsworth PLLC hereby respectfully submits the following Response to Federal National Mortgage Association Motion for Summary Judgment;

#### **FACTS**

- The Federal National Mortgage Association is more commonly known as Fannie
   Mae.
- 2. Fannie Mae entered into a contract with JP Morgan Chase to perform the HAMP program. (See Exhibit A).
- 3. Mr. Larson was in an automobile accident on November 4, 2003, four years before entering into the Mortgage.
- 4. Soon after getting into the automobile accident, Mr. Larson began receiving Workers Compensation to supplement his income, as he was unable to work.
- 5. Chase knew or should have known that the Larsons' income would substantially decrease when Mr. Larson's Worker's Compensation ceased payments.
- 6. In 2008, Mr. Larson's Worker's Compensation ceased payments, cutting the Larsons' income in more than half.
- 7. Upon receiving notice that Mr. Larson's income would cease, the Larsons applied for Social Security and took out a loan through Beneficial to supplement Mr. Larson's income, pending decision on their application.
- 8. The Larsons also contacted Chase and informed them of the pending application for Social Security and the loan, and advised Chase that they may be short on their mortgage in the coming months due to the reduction of income.
- 9. During this telephone call, the representative at Chase told Mrs. Larson that in order for Chase to discuss any kind of work-out options, the Larsons would have to be at least three months behind.

- 10. The representative at Chase told the Larsons that he understood what the Larsons were requesting, but that in order to discuss a workout for a partial payment, the Larsons would have to be at least three months behind on their mortgage payment.
- 11. Larsons repeated and confirmed that they were going to have to be three months behind in order to make a partial payment for the month that they would be short, and the representative confirmed.
- 12. Larsons reluctantly complied with the instructions of the representative at Chase, even though they had enough money to pay most of their mortgage.
- 13. After three months had passed, Larsons contacted Chase and told them that they were now three months behind and they needed to discuss the partial payment option which the previous representative had informed them of.
- 14. The representative at Chase took Larsons financial information and requested documents, which Larsons provided on numerous occasions.
- 15. A few months after their request for a modification, with no word from Chase, the Making Home Affordable Program was enacted.
- 16. At the prompting by Chase Larsons then applied for a mortgage modification under the Making Home Affordable Program with Chase.
  - 17. Larsons met all necessary requirements of the Making Home Affordable Program.
  - 18. Larsons' primary residence is at the Property.
  - 19. The value of the Property is approximately \$141,000.00
- 20. The mortgage associated with the Property (hereinafter, the "Mortgage") is Larsons' first mortgage on the Property and is through Chase. The total amount of the Mortgage

is less than Seven Hundred Twenty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars and No Cents (\$729,750.00).

- 21. Larsons received the Mortgage from Chase before January 1, 2009.
- 22. Larsons were having a hard time paying the Mortgage due to a reduction in income which forced them to become late on the Mortgage. An Affidavit of Hardship detailing more specific information was submitted to Chase.
- 23. Larsons' payment on the Mortgage, including principle, interest, taxes and insurance, was in excess of 31% of their current gross monthly income.
- 24. On October 3, 2008 Congress passed the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 (hereinafter, the "Act"). Pursuant to the Act both the Treasury Secretary and the Director of the Federal Housing Finance Agency announced HAMP the Making Home Affordable Program (hereinafter, "HAMP") on February 18, 2009. The Act also granted the Secretary of the Treasury the authority to establish the Troubled Asset Relief Program (hereinafter, "TARP").
- 25. HAMP mandates every Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae loan as well as any loan serviced by an entity receiving TARP funds or that agrees to participate in the HAMP program to be modified if the HAMP guidelines are met, which Chase has.
- 26. Chase has refused to grant Larsons a loan modification even though Larsons qualify for a loan modification, in direct violation of the Making Home Affordable Program.
- 27. Under the Making Home Affordable Program, a foreclosure sale cannot be conducted unless the borrower is: 1) notified that he or she does not qualify for a loan modification, with the reasons for denial, or 2) until a loan modification is granted and the borrower defaults on the loan modification.

- 28. According to the Making Home Affordable Program, once a loan has been applied for a mortgage modification or a trial payment plan, such as the one Larsons has applied for, the bank is barred from continuing any foreclosure proceedings which had begun prior to the onset of the mortgage modification.
- 29. Chase foreclosed on the Property, which is in direct violation of the Making Home Affordable Program.
- 30. When the Larsons were finally able to get back on their feet and cure the reason for the deficiency, they were so many months behind on their mortgage that the deficiency was incurable, particularly given their income. Chase had forced the Larson's into a position where Chase knew the Larsons would fail. Because of the communications between Chase and Larsons, Chase knew or should have known that if the Larsons were 3 months late on their mortgage that there would be no way to keep the Larsons in the house unless Chase modified the Larsons' loan.
- 31. Larsons did exactly what they were instructed to do by Chase, all the way up to, and continuing through, the foreclosure of the Property.
- 32. Chase has been and continued to be an Agent and representative for Plaintiff and delivered such deed to Plaintiff making them necessary to this action.

#### **ARGUMENT**

I. FANNIE MAE AS THE FINANCIAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES MUST ENFORCE THE HAMP CONTRACT FOR QUALIFIED BORROWERS.

The US Department of the Treasury has established a Home Affordable Modification Program ("HAMP") pursuant to section 101 and 109 of the Emergency Economic Stabilization

Act of 2008 (the "Act"), as section 109 of the Act has been amended by section 7002 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Fannie Mae also known as Federal National Mortgage Association (Plaintiff) is named as the Financial Agent of the United States in enforcing the HAMP program on behalf of qualified borrowers with 1<sup>st</sup> Lien Mortgages. (See Exhibit A). Further, Fannie Mae on behalf of tax payers has paid or will pay JP Morgan Chase \$4,532,750,000.00 to modify such mortgages as named in the Contract. (See Exhibit A)

### II. PLAINTIFFS WERE NOT CORRECTLY CONSIDERED FOR A HAMP MODIFICATION.

Chase tries to wash their hands of denial of the modification but fail to state the facts correctly. The Defendants had submitted paperwork and all necessary documents several times to Chase and Chase even continued to respond to the Defendants telling them that a foreclosure was not going to be commenced. Further, days before the foreclosure the Defendant's contacted Chase and was told a foreclosure was not scheduled on the Property.

## III. PLAINTIFFS ARE THIRD PARTY DONEE BENEFICIARIES OF THE HAMP CONTRACT AND THEREFORE ARE ENTTILED TO BE FULLY CONSIDERED FOR A MODIFICATION.

The contracts which banks and servicers must enter into to avail themselves to the nearly unfathomable amounts of money released by the US government are from contracts (See Exhibit A). Many servicers and lenders sign the same contract with the Treasury to avail them to the "bailout money". Chase is one of these servicers because they are listed as a Mortgage Company that is part of the HAMP program, and have entered into a contract to do such.

A. Plaintiffs, who are Qualified Borrowers under HAMP and the Agreement, are Third Party Donee Beneficiaries, and therefore have an enforceable right in the Agreement.

Plaintiffs are third party donee beneficiaries to the HAMP agreement. (See Exhibit A – Contract between the US Treasury with Fannie Mae as a Financial Agent and Chase). Chase Loan Servicing stands to be paid by the US Treasury \$4,532,750,000.00 for modifications performed under the HAMP program. (See Exhibit A, page 4 paragraph "F") There have been cases that have found home owners such as the Plaintiff to be third party beneficiaries, and one such case is *Marques*. Marques v. Wells Fargo Home Mortgage. Inc. No. 09-cv-1985-L(RBB) (S.D. Cal. Aug. 12, 2010) (naming borrowers as third party donee beneficiaries to the Agreement between Defendant and Fannie Mae by stating that "[u]pon a fair reading of the Agreement in its entirety and in the context of its enabling legislation, it is difficult to discern any substantial purpose other than to provide loan modification services to eligible borrowers."). Id. The contract between Fannie Mae and Servicers concerning HAMP states that the primary purpose [of HAMP] of which was the modification of first lien mortgage loan obligations and the provision of loan modification and foreclosure prevention services relating thereto (the "HAMP Services").

Chase does not state or has failed to state why they have not provided a modification. The Contract that was signed between Fannie Mae and Chase states that Chase shall follow the procedures set forth by the Program Guidelines as included in HAMP. (See Exhibit A, page 2 Section 1(B)) The Contract states "Servicer (Chase) shall perform the Services for all mortgage loans it services, whether it services such mortgage loans for its own account or for the account

of another party, including any holders of mortgage-backed securities (each such other party, an "Investor")." (Exhibit A at page 3 part 2(A)).

### B. Plaintiffs meet the requirements under established Utah Law to be considered Third Party Donee Beneficiaries.

There are two types of third party beneficiaries recognized in Utah which are relevant to this matter, incidental beneficiaries and donee beneficiaries. "Generally, the rights of a third-party beneficiary are determined by the intentions of the parties to the subject contract. Where it appears from the promise or the contracting situation that the parties intended that a third party receive a benefit, then the third party may enforce his rights in the courts and is deemed a donee beneficiary... But where any benefits to a person are incidental to the performance of the promise and such person is neither a donee nor a creditor beneficiary, he is a stranger to the promise and may assert no rights thereunder." (emphasis added) Tracy Collins Bank & Trust v. Dickamore, 652 P.2d 1314, 1315-1316 (Utah 1982) See Schwinghammer v. Alexander, 21 Utah 2d 418, 446 P.2d 414 (1968 See also 2 S. Williston, A Treatise On The Law Of Contracts, § 356 (Rev.Perm.Ed.1981); Section 302, Restatement of Contracts, Second Edition, 1981.

Analyzing the HAMP program the Court in *Marques* stated, "Reading the Agreement in its entirety evinces a clear intent to directly benefit eligible borrowers." <u>Marques</u>, at pg.4. Further, "[u]pon a fair reading of the Agreement in its entirety and in the context of its enabling legislation, it is difficult to discern any substantial purpose other than to provide loan modification services to eligible borrowers." <u>Marques</u>, at pg. 6.

The Home Affordable Modification Program Guidelines, dated March 4, 2009, along with the Making Home Affordable Summary of Guidelines dated March 4, 2009, sets forth the clear and unambiguous intent of the parties thereto with respect to the Agreement. (Exhibit B

and Exhibit C, respectively). The Agreement at incorporates and references the Guidelines, and the Guidelines reference to the Agreement at Home Affordable Modification Guidelines section Program Payment Conditions ("Servicers must enter into the program agreements with Treasury's financial agent no later than December 31, 2009.").

The Summary of Guidelines, the US Department of Treasury sets forth the intended classes of beneficiaries as borrowers (at portion entitled "Eligibility and Verification") and the necessity of those servicers who accept the Agreement to comply with the terms of the Agreement to modify any qualifying loan(s) (at portion entitled "Loan Modification Terms and Procedures").

The Ninth Circuit recently explained that "[d]emonstrating third-party beneficiary status in the context of a government contract is a comparatively difficult task" requiring examination of the "precise language of the contract for a 'clear intent' to rebut the presumption that the [third parties] are merely incidental beneficiaries." (County of Santa Clara v. Astra USA, Inc. (9th Cir. 2009) 588 F.3d 1237, 1244 quoting Orff v. United States (9th Cir. 2004) 358 F.3d 1137, 1147. The core of this analysis depends on whether the contracting parties "intended to grant covered entities enforceable rights as intended beneficiaries of that agreement" by examining the "text and purpose" of the contract. (Id. at 1245-46).

There is a split of authority regarding third-party beneficiaries under HAMP. Defendants, in its Motion to Dismiss, failed to address *Reyes v. Saxon Mortgage Services, Inc.* (S.D. Cal. Nov. 5, 2009, No. 09cv1366 (DMS)) F.Supp.2d [2009 WL 3738177]. The *Reyes* court held that a plaintiff-borrower under HAMP sufficiently stated a plausible claim for a breach of contract under a HAMP; the factual and legal claims with regard to Breach of Contract

are nearly identical to this action. The Court stated that "[c]ontrary to Defendant's assertion,

Plaintiff has alleged sufficient facts to support his third party beneficiary theory." (Id. at \*3)

Here, the Contract specifically delineates the parties' obligations and confers benefits on a limited class: the qualified borrowers. Plaintiff fits such guidelines. For the reasons discussed below, this Court should follow the well-reasoned opinion in *Reyes* and *Marques* and allow Plaintiff to assert his rights under HAMP.

### IV. DEFENDANTS ARE INTENDED BENEFICIARIES OF HAMP AND THEREFORE ARE NOT IN UNLAWFUL DETAINER

Plaintiff has failed the Defendants. Plaintiff executed a Contract with JP Morgan Chase which by the plain reading of the Contract was to benefit home owners such as Defendants. Further, tax payers such as the Defendants have received no benefit concerning their mortgages for the very money that they have paid to such banks as Chase. (See Exhibit A). Defendants ask that such modification be entered and that the loan be modified according to the HAMP program as contracted for.

#### **CONCLUSION**

Defendant is a third party beneficiary to a contract entered into by Chase and Fannie Mae on behalf of the US Treasury, and therefore is not in unlawful detainer as alleged by Plaintiff.

DATED this 2 day of February, 2011.

ARNOLD & WADSWORTH

Brian E. Arnold, Esq,

#### **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that I personally mailed by First-Class Mail, postage prepaid, a true and correct copy of the foregoing RESPONSE TO SUMMARY JUDGMENT to the following, on this

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28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2011:

Brad DeHaan LUNDBERG & Associates 3269 South Main Street, Ste. 100 Salt Lake City, UT 84115

Legal Assistant

## EXHIBIT A

#### AMENDED AND RESTATED

#### COMMITMENT TO PURCHASE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT and SERVICER PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

This Amended and Restated Commitment to Purchase Financial Instrument and Servicer Participation Agreement (the "<u>Commitment</u>") is entered into as of the Effective Date, by and between Federal National Mortgage Association, a federally chartered corporation, as financial agent of the United States ("<u>Fannie Máe</u>"), and the undersigned party ("<u>Servicer</u>"). Capitalized terms used, but not defined contextually, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in Section 12 below.

#### Recitals

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of the Treasury (the "<u>Treasury</u>") has established a Home Affordable Modification Program (the "<u>HAMP</u>") pursuant to section 101 and 109 of the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 (the "<u>Act</u>"), as section 109 of the Act has been amended by section 7002 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009;

WHEREAS, Fannie Mae, as financial agent of the United States, and Servicer entered into a Commitment to Purchase Financial Instrument and Servicer Participation Agreement for the Home Affordable Modification Program under the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act (the "Prior Agreement") in connection with the implementation of HAMP, the primary purpose of which was the modification of first lien mortgage loan obligations and the provision of loan modification and foreclosure prevention services relating thereto (the "HAMP Services");

WHEREAS, the Treasury has established a variety of new programs (together with the HAMP, the "<u>Programs</u>") under the Act to further stabilize the housing market by facilitating second lien mortgage loan modifications and extinguishments, providing home price decline protection incentives, encouraging foreclosure alternatives, such as short sales and deeds in lieu of foreclosure, and making other foreclosure prevention services available to the marketplace (collectively, together with the HAMP Services, the "Services");

WHEREAS, the Programs may include Services relating to FHA, VA and USDA loans;

WHEREAS, Fannie Mae has been designated by the Treasury as a financial agent of the United States in connection with the implementation of the Programs; all references to Fannie Mae in the Agreement shall be in its capacity as financial agent of the United States:

WHEREAS, Fannie Mae will fulfill the roles of administrator and record keeper for the Programs, and in conjunction therewith must standardize certain mortgage modification and foreclosure prevention practices and procedures as they relate to the Programs, consistent with the Act and in accordance with the directives of, and guidance provided by, the Treasury;

WHEREAS, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation ("<u>Freddie Mac</u>") has been designated by the Treasury as a financial agent of the United States and will fulfill a compliance role in connection with the Programs; all references to Freddie Mac in the Agreement shall be in its capacity as compliance agent of the Programs;

WHEREAS, Fannie Mae and Servicer desire to amend and restate the Prior Agreement in its entirety as set forth herein;

WHEREAS, all Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac approved servicers are being directed through their respective servicing guides and bulletins to implement the Programs with respect to mortgage loans owned, securitized, or guaranteed by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac (the "GSE Loans"); accordingly, this Agreement does not apply to the GSE Loans;

WHEREAS, all other servicers, as well as Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac approved servicers, that wish to participate in the Programs with respect to loans that are not GSE Loans (collectively, "Participating Servicers") must agree to certain terms and conditions relating to the respective roles and responsibilities of participants and other financial agents of the government; and

WHEREAS, Servicer wishes to participate in the Programs as a Participating Servicer on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein.

Accordingly, in consideration of the representations, warranties, and mutual agreements set forth herein and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Fannie Mae and Servicer agree to amend and restate the Prior Agreement in its entirety, as follows.

#### Agreement

#### 1. Services

- A. Contemporaneously with the execution and delivery of this Commitment and the Financial Instrument, Servicer will execute and deliver to Fannie Mae one or more schedules describing the Services to be performed by Servicer pursuant to this Agreement, effective as of the Effective Date of the Agreement (each, a "Service Schedule" or an "Initial Service Schedule" and, collectively, the "Initial Service Schedules"). After the Effective Date of the Agreement, Servicer may opt-in to any additional initiatives offered by Treasury in connection with the Programs by executing and delivering to Fannie Mae one or more additional Service Schedules describing the Services relating to such initiatives (each, a "Service Schedule" or an "Additional Service Schedules" and, collectively, the "Additional Service Schedules") (the Initial Service Schedules and the Additional Service Schedules, collectively, the "Service Schedules"). All Service Schedules that are executed and delivered to Fannie Mae by Servicer from time to time will be numbered sequentially (e.g. Service Schedule A-1; Service Schedule A-2; Service Schedule A-3; et seq.) and are referenced herein, collectively, as Exhibit A; Exhibit A is hereby incorporated into the Commitment by this reference.
- B. Subject to Section 10.C., Servicer shall perform the Services described in (i) the Financial Instrument attached hereto as Exhibit B (the "Financial Instrument"); (ii) the Service Schedules attached hereto, collectively, as Exhibit A; (iii) the guidelines and procedures issued by the Treasury with respect to the Programs outlined in the Service Schedules (the "Program Guidelines"); and (iv) any supplemental documentation, instructions, bulletins, frequently asked questions, letters, directives, or other communications, including, but not limited to, business continuity requirements, compliance requirements, performance requirements and related remedies, issued by the Treasury, Fannie Mae, or Freddie Mae in order to change, or further describe or clarify the scope of, the rights and duties of the Participating Servicers in connection with the Program outlined in the Service Schedules (the "Supplemental Directives" and, together with the Program Guidelines, the "Program Documentation"). The Program Documentation will be available to all Participating Servicers at www.HMPadmin.com; for the avoidance of doubt, the term "Program Documentation" includes all of the Program Guidelines and Supplemental Directives issued by Treasury and made available to Participating Servicers at www.HMPadmin.com prior to the Effective Date of the Agreement. The Program Documentation, as the same may be modified or amended from time to time in accordance with Section 10 below, is hereby incorporated into the Commitment by this reference.
- C. Servicer's representations and warranties, and acknowledgement of and agreement to fulfill or satisfy certain duties and obligations, with respect to its participation in the Programs and under the Agreement are set forth in the Financial Instrument. Servicer's certification as to its continuing compliance with, and the truth and accuracy of, the representations and warranties set forth in the Financial Instrument will be provided annually in the form attached hereto as <a href="Exhibit C">Exhibit C</a> (the "Certification"), beginning on June 1, 2010 and again on June 1 of each year thereafter during the Term (as defined below) and upon the execution and delivery by Servicer of any Additional Service Schedule during the Term.
- D. The recitals set forth above are hereby incorporated herein by this reference.

#### 2. Authority and Agreement to Participate in Programs

- A. Servicer shall perform the Services for all mortgage loans it services, whether it services such mortgage loans for its own account or for the account of another party, including any holders of mortgage-backed securities (each such other party, an "Investor").
- B. Fannie Mae acknowledges that Servicer may service mortgage loans for its own account or for the account of one or more Investors and may be subject to restrictions set forth in pooling and servicing agreements or other servicing contracts governing Servicer's servicing of a mortgage loan; Servicer shall use reasonable efforts to remove all prohibitions or impediments to its authority, and use reasonable efforts to obtain all third party consents, waivers and delegations that are required, by contract or law, in order to perform the Services.
- C. Notwithstanding subsection B., if (x) Servicer is unable to obtain all necessary consents, waivers and delegations for performing any Services under the Programs, or (y) the pooling and servicing agreement or other servicing contract governing Servicer's servicing of a mortgage loan prohibits Servicer from performing such Services for that mortgage loan, Servicer shall not be required to perform such Services with respect to that mortgage loan and shall not receive all or any portion of the Purchase Price (defined below) otherwise payable for such Services with respect to such loan.
- D. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the Agreement does not apply to GSE Loans. Servicers are directed to the servicing guides and bulletins issued by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, respectively, concerning the Programs as applied to GSE Loans.
- E. Servicer's performance of the Services and implementation of the Programs shall be subject to review by Freddie Mac and its agents and designees as more fully set forth in the Agreement.

#### 3. Set Up; Prerequisite to Payment

Servicer will provide to Fannie Mae: (a) the set up information required by the Program Documentation and any ancillary or administrative information requested by Fannie Mae in order to process Servicer's participation in the Programs as a Participating Servicer on or before the Effective Date of the Agreement as to the Initial Service Schedules that are executed and delivered contemporaneously herewith, and on or before the effective date of the Additional Service Schedules (if any) executed and delivered after the Effective Date of the Agreement; and (b) the data elements for each mortgage obligation, property, or borrower eligible for the Programs as and when described in the Program Documentation and the Financial Instrument. Purchase Price payments will not be remitted pursuant to Section 4 with respect to Services for which the required data elements have not been provided.

#### 4. Agreement to Purchase Financial Instrument; Payment of Purchase Price

- A. Fannie Mae, in its capacity as a financial agent of the United States, agrees to purchase, and Servicer agrees to sell to Fannie Mae, in such capacity, the Financial Instrument that is executed and delivered by Servicer to Fannie Mae in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B, in consideration for the payment by Fannie Mae, as agent, of the Purchase Price.
- B. The conditions precedent to the payment by Fannie Mae of the Purchase Price with respect to the Services described on the Initial Service Schedules are: (a) the execution and delivery of the Commitment, the Initial Service Schedules, and the Financial Instrument by Servicer to Fannie Mae; (b) the execution and delivery of the Commitment and the Initial Service Schedules by Fannie Mae to Servicer; (c) the delivery of copies of the fully executed Commitment, Initial Service Schedules and Financial Instrument to Treasury on the Effective Date of the Agreement; (d) the performance by Servicer of the Services described in the Agreement, in accordance with the terms and conditions thereof, to the reasonable satisfaction of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac; and (e) the satisfaction by Servicer of such other obligations as are set forth in the Agreement.

- C. The conditions precedent to the payment by Fannie Mae of the Purchase Price with respect to the Services described on the Additional Service Schedules (if any) are: (a) the execution and delivery of the Additional Service Schedules and the Certification by Servicer to Fannie Mae; (b) the execution and delivery of the Additional Service Schedules by Fannie Mae to Servicer; (c) the delivery of copies of the fully executed Additional Service Schedules to Treasury; (d) the performance by Servicer of the Services described in the Agreement, in accordance with the terms and conditions thereof, to the reasonable satisfaction of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac; and (e) the satisfaction by Servicer of such other obligations as are set forth in the Agreement.
- D. Solely in its capacity as the financial agent of the United States, and subject to subsection E. below, Fannie Mae shall remit all payments described in the Program Documentation to Servicer for the account or credit of Servicer, Investors and borrowers, in each case in accordance with the Program Documentation (all such payments, collectively, the "Purchase Price"); all payments remitted to Servicer for the credit or account of third parties under the Program Documentation shall be applied by Servicer as required by the Program Documentation. Fannie Mae shall have no liability to Servicer with respect to the payment of the Purchase Price, unless and until: (a) Servicer and all other interested parties have satisfied all pre-requisites set forth herein and in the Program Documentation relating to the applicable Program payment structure, including, but not limited to, the delivery of all data elements required by Section 3 of this Commitment; and (b) the Treasury has provided funds to Fannie Mae for remittance to Servicer, together with written direction to remit the funds to Servicer in accordance with the Program Documentation.
- E. The Purchase Price will be paid to Servicer by Fannie Mae as the financial agent of the United States as and when described herein and in the Program Documentation in consideration for the execution and delivery of the Financial Instrument by Servicer on or before the Effective Date of the Agreement, upon the satisfaction of the conditions precedent to payment described in this Section 4.
- F. The value of the Agreement is limited to \$4,532,750,000.00 (the "Program Participation Cap"). Accordingly, the aggregate Purchase Price payable to Servicer under the Agreement with respect to all Services described on all of the Service Schedules that are executed and delivered in connection with the Agreement may not exceed the amount of the Program Participation Cap. For each Service to be performed by Servicer, the aggregate remaining Purchase Price available to be paid to Servicer under the Agreement will be reduced by the maximum Purchase Price potentially payable with respect to that Service. In the event the Purchase Price actually paid with respect to that Service is less than the maximum Purchase Price potentially payable, the aggregate remaining Purchase Price available to be paid to Servicer under the Agreement will be increased by the difference between such amounts. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no agreements with any party that may result in a new payment obligation under the Programs will be effected under the Agreement, and no payments will be made with respect to any new Services, from and after the date on which the aggregate Purchase Price paid or payable to Servicer under the Agreement equals the Program Participation Cap. Treasury may, from time to time in its sole discretion, adjust the amount of the Program Participation Cap. Servicer will be notified of all adjustments to the Program Participation Cap in writing by Fannie Mae.
- G. Servicer shall maintain complete and accurate records of, and supporting documentation for, all Services provided in connection with the Programs including, but not limited to, data relating to borrower payments (e.g., principal, interest, taxes, homeowner's insurance, hazard insurance, flood insurance and homeowner's association and/or condo fees), delinquencies and the terms of each agreement executed under the Programs (e.g., trial modification agreements, loan modification agreements and extinguishment agreements), which will be relied upon by Fannie Mae when calculating, as financial agent for the United States, the Purchase Price to be paid by the Treasury through Fannie Mae or any other financial agent. Servicer agrees to provide Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac with documentation (including copies of executed borrower agreements) and other information with respect to any amounts paid by the Treasury as may be reasonably requested by such parties. In the event of a discrepancy or error in the amount of the Purchase Price paid hereunder, at Fannie Mae's election, (x) Servicer shall remit to Fannie Mae the amount of any overpayment within thirty (30) days of receiving a refund request from Fannie Mae, or (y) Fannie Mae may immediately offset the amount of the overpayment against other amounts due and payable to Servicer by Fannie Mae, as financial agent of the United States, upon written notice to Servicer. Servicer shall still be obligated to credit

to the respective accounts of Investors and borrowers any portion of the Purchase Price to which they are entitled (if any) notwithstanding such offset unless otherwise directed by Fannie Mae.

H. At the election and upon the direction of the Treasury and with prior written notice to Servicer, Fannie Mae may deduct from any amount to be paid to Servicer any amount that Servicer, Investor, or borrower is obligated to reimburse or pay to the United States government, provided, however, that any amount withheld under this subsection H. will be withheld only from the amounts payable to, or for the account or credit of, the party which is liable for the obligation to the United States government.

#### 5. Term

- A. New Services may be undertaken by Servicer as described in the Financial Instrument and the Program Documentation from and after the Effective Date until December 31, 2012 (the "<u>Initial Term</u>"), subject to one or more extensions of the Initial Term by the Treasury, or earlier termination of the Agreement by Fannie Mae pursuant to the provisions hereof, or earlier suspension or termination of one or more of the Programs by the Treasury, <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, no new Services may be undertaken by Servicer, and Servicer will have no further obligation to perform any Services under this Agreement, from and after the date on which the Program Participation Cap is reached.
- B. Servicer shall perform the Services described in the Program Documentation in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement during the Initial Term and any extensions thereof (the Initial Term, together with all extensions thereof, if any, the "Term"), and during such additional period as may be necessary to: (i) comply with all data collection, retention and reporting requirements specified in the Program Documentation during and for the periods set forth therein; and (ii) complete all Services that were initiated by Servicer, including, but not limited to, the completion of all documentation relating thereto, during the Term. Servicer agrees that it will work diligently to complete all Services as soon as reasonably possible after the end of the Term or earlier termination.
- C. Notwithstanding Sections 5.A. and 5.B., if the Servicer has elected to participate in the Second Lien Modification Program by executing and delivering to Fannie Mae a Service Schedule relating thereto, the Servicer in its discretion, may elect to opt out of the Second Lien Modification Program on an annual basis by providing notice to Fannie Mae in accordance with Section 9 hereof within 30 days following the anniversary of the Effective Date of the Service Schedule for the Second Lien Modification Program. Following the Servicer's election to opt out of the Second Lien Modification Program, the Servicer will not be required to perform any Services for any new mortgage loans under the Second Lien Modification Program; however, the Servicer must continue to perform any Services for any mortgage loan for which it had already begun performing Services prior to electing to opt out of the Second Lien Modification Program.
- D. The Agreement, or any of the Programs implemented under the Agreement, may be terminated by Fannie Mae or Servicer prior to the end of the Term pursuant to Section 6 below.
- 6. Defaults, Acts of Bad Faith and Early Termination; Remedies for and Effects of Defaults, Acts of Bad Faith and Early Termination; Opportunity to Cure
- A. The following constitute events of default by Servicer under the Agreement (each, an "Event of Default" and, collectively, "Events of Default"):
  - (1) Servicer fails to perform or comply with any of its material obligations under the Agreement, including, but not limited to, circumstances in which Servicer fails to ensure that all eligibility criteria and other conditions precedent specified in applicable Program Documentation are satisfied prior to effectuating any Services in connection with any of the Programs.

- (2) Servicer: (a) ceases to do business as a going concern; (b) makes a general assignment for the benefit of, or enters into any arrangement with creditors in lieu thereof; (c) admits in writing its inability to pay its debts as they become due; (d) files a voluntary petition under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or files a voluntary petition under the reorganization or arrangement provisions of the laws of the United States or any other jurisdiction; (e) authorizes, applies for or consents to the appointment of a trustee or liquidator of all or substantially all of its assets; (f) has any substantial part of its property subjected to a levy, seizure, assignment or sale for or by any creditor or governmental agency; or (g) enters into an agreement or resolution to take any of the foregoing actions.
- (3) Servicer, any employee or contractor of Servicer, or any employee or contractor of Servicers' contractors, commits a grossly negligent, willful or intentional, or reckless act (including, but not limited to, misrepresentation or fraud) in connection with any of the Programs or the Agreement.
- (4) Any representation, warranty, or covenant made by Servicer in the Agreement or any Certification is or becomes materially false, misleading, incorrect, or incomplete.
- (5) An evaluation of performance that includes any specific findings by Freddie Mac, in its sole discretion, that Servicer's performance under any performance criteria established pursuant to applicable Program Documentation is materially insufficient, or any failure by Servicer to comply with any directive issued by Fannie Mac or Freddie Mac with respect to documents or data requested, findings made, or remedies established, by Fannie Mac and/or Freddie Mac in conjunction with such performance criteria or other Program requirements.
- B. Fannie Mae may take any, all, or none of the following actions upon an Event of Default by Servicer under the Agreement:
  - (1) Fannie Mae may: (i) withhold some or all of the Servicer's portion of the Purchase Price until, in Fannie Mae's determination, Servicer has cured the default; and (ii) choose to utilize alternative means of paying any portion of the Purchase Price for the credit or account of borrowers and Investors and delay paying such portion pending adoption of such alternative means.
  - (2) Fannie Mae may: (i) reduce the amounts payable to Servicer under Section 4; and/or (ii) obtain repayment of prior payments made to Servicer under Section 4, provided, however, Fannie Mae will seek to obtain repayment of prior payments made under Section 4 only with respect to Services that are determined by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac to have been impacted by, or that Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac believes may have been, or may be, impacted by, the Event of Default giving rise to the remedy.
  - (3) Fannie Mae may require Servicer to submit to additional Program administrator oversight, including, but not limited to, additional compliance controls and quality control reviews.
  - (4) Fannie Mae may terminate the Agreement and cease its performance hereunder, or cease its performance hereunder as to any Program in which Servicer is a participant.
  - (5) Fannie Mae may require Servicer to submit to information and reporting with respect to its financial condition and ability to continue to meet its obligations under the Agreement.
- C. The following constitute acts of bad faith of Investors and borrowers in connection with the Programs (each, an "Act of Bad Faith"): an Investor or borrower commits a grossly negligent, willful or intentional, or reckless act (including, but not limited to, misrepresentation or fraud) in connection with any of the Programs

(including, but not limited to, in connection with such Investor's or borrower's response to Program questionnaires, the execution or delivery to Servicer, Fannie Mae, or Treasury of any of the agreements relating to such Investor's or borrower's participation in any of the Programs and the production of supporting documentation therefor and in connection with any audit or review by Freddie Mac for Investor or borrower compliance with the Programs). For brevity, any such Investor or borrower is referred to in this subsection as a "defaulting party" or as a "defaulting" Investor or borrower and the Act of Bad Faith by such Investor or borrower as a "default."

- D. Fannie Mae may take any, all, or none of the following actions if an Act of Bad Faith involving an Investor or a borrower occurs, or is reasonably believed by Fannie Mae to have occurred, in connection with any of the Programs:
  - (1) Fannie Mae may withhold all or any portion of the Purchase Price payable to, or for the credit or account of, the defaulting party until, in Fannie Mae's determination, the default has been cured or otherwise remedied to Fannie Mae's satisfaction.
  - (2) Fannie Mae may: (i) reduce the amounts payable to Servicer for the credit, or account of, the defaulting party under Section 4; and/or (ii) obtain repayment of prior payments made to or for the credit or account of the defaulting party under Section 4. Servicer will reasonably cooperate with, and provide reasonable support and assistance to, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mae in connection with their respective roles and, in Fannie Mae's case, in connection with its efforts to obtain repayment of prior payments made to Investors and borrowers as provided in this subsection.
  - (3) Fannie Mae may require Servicer to submit to additional Program administrator oversight, including, but not limited to, additional compliance controls and quality control reviews.
  - (4) Fannie Mae may cease its performance hereunder as to some or all of the Services subject to the Agreement that relate to the defaulting Investor or borrower.
  - (5) Fannie Mae may terminate the Agreement and cease its performance hereunder if Acts of Bad Faith occur on a recurring basis, are widespread among the Investor or borrower bases served by Servicer, or occur in combination or in connection with one or more Events of Default by Servicer.
- E. In addition to the termination rights set forth above, Fannie Mae may terminate the Agreement or any Program implemented under the Agreement immediately upon written notice to Servicer:
  - (1) at the direction of the Treasury;
  - (2) in the event of a merger, acquisition, or other change of control of Servicer;
  - (3) in the event that a receiver, liquidator, trustee, or other custodian is appointed for the Servicer; or
  - (4) in the event that a material term of the Agreement is determined to be prohibited or unenforceable as referred to in Section 11.C.
- F. The Agreement will terminate automatically:
  - (1) in the event that the Financial Agency Agreement, dated February 18, 2009, by and between Fannie Mae and the Treasury is terminated; or
  - (2) upon the expiration or termination of all of the Programs implemented under the Agreement.

- G. The effects of the expiration or termination of the Agreement are as follows:
  - (1) In the event that the Agreement expires at the end of the Initial Term or any extension thereof pursuant to Section 5, or in the event that the Agreement expires or is terminated pursuant to Section 6.E. or 6.F., Fannie Mae shall, solely in its capacity as the financial agent of the United States, continue to remit all amounts that are properly payable pursuant to Section 4 to Servicer in accordance with the Program Documentation until paid in full, provided, however, that Purchase Price payments will be made only with respect to Services that were performed in accordance with the applicable Program Documentation prior to the date of expiration or termination and that do not exceed the Program Participation Cap.
  - (2) In the event that the Agreement is terminated in connection with an Event of Default by Servicer, no compensation with respect to any Service will be paid to Servicer for the account of the Servicer subsequent to termination; Fannie Mae's only continuing obligations as financial agent of the United States subsequent to termination will be to remit all payments that are properly payable pursuant to Section 4 to Servicer (or, at Fannie Mae's discretion, an alternative provider) for the account of borrowers and Investors in accordance with the Program Documentation until paid in full.
  - (3) In the event that the Agreement is terminated in connection with an Act of Bad Faith by an Investor or a borrower, no compensation with respect to any Services will be paid to Servicer for the credit or account of the defaulting Investor or borrower subsequent to termination; Fannie Mae's only continuing obligation as financial agent of the United States subsequent to termination will be to remit all payments that are properly payable pursuant to Section 4 to Servicer for the credit or account of non-defaulting parties as described in the applicable Program Documentation until paid in full. For the avoidance of doubt, if the Act of Bad Faith resulting in the termination of the Agreement occurs in connection with an Event of Default of Servicer, no compensation with respect to any Service will be paid to Servicer for the account of the Servicer subsequent to termination.
- H. Fannie Mae, in its capacity as the financial agent of the United States, may reduce the amounts payable to Servicer under Section 4, or obtain repayment of prior payments made under Section 4, in connection with: (a) an evaluation of Servicer's performance that includes any specific findings by Freddie Mac that Servicer's performance under any performance criteria established pursuant to the Program Documentation is materially insufficient, or (b) any failure by Servicer to comply materially with any directive issued by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac with respect to documents or data requested, findings made, or remedies established, by Fannie Mae and/or Freddie Mac in conjunction with such performance criteria or other Program requirements; provided, however, Fannie Mae will seek to obtain repayment of prior payments made under Section 4 only with respect to Services that are determined by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac to have been impacted by, or that Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac believes may have been, or may be, impacted by, the findings giving rise to this remedy. Fannie Mae may initially avail itself of this remedy in lieu of a specific declaration of an Event of Default, provided, however, that doing so shall not preclude Fannie Mae from later declaring an Event of Default or exercising any other rights or remedies otherwise available to it under this Section 6, or at law or in equity, in connection with the event giving rise to this remedy, or any future events giving rise to this remedy.
- I. The remedies available to Fannie Mae upon an Event of Default and an Act of Bad Faith under this Section are cumulative and not exclusive; further, these remedies are in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other remedies available to Fannie Mae at law or in equity.
- J. In the event of the expiration or termination of the Agreement or any Program implemented under the Agreement under any circumstances, Servicer and Fannie Mae agree to cooperate with one another on an ongoing basis to ensure an effective and orderly transition or resolution of the Services, including the provision of any information, reporting, records and data required by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac.

K. If an Event of Default under Section 6.A.1., Section 6.A.4., or Section 6.A.5. occurs and Fannie Mae determines, in its sole discretion, that the Event of Default is curable and elects to exercise its right to terminate the Agreement, Fannie Mae will provide written notice of the Event of Default to Servicer and the Agreement will terminate automatically thirty (30) days after Servicer's receipt of such notice, if the Event of Default is not cured by Servicer to the reasonable satisfaction of Fannie Mae prior to the end of such thirty (30) day period. If Fannie Mae determines, in its sole discretion, that an Event of Default under Section 6.A.1., Section 6.A.4., or Section 6.A.5. is not curable, or if an Event of Default under Section 6.A.2. or Section 6.A.3. occurs, and Fannie Mae elects to exercise its right to terminate the Agreement under Section 6.B.4., Fannie Mae will provide written notice of termination to the Servicer on or before the effective date of the termination.

#### 7. Disputes

Fannie Mae and Servicer agree that it is in their mutual interest to resolve disputes by agreement. If a dispute arises under the Agreement, the parties will use all reasonable efforts to promptly resolve the dispute by mutual agreement. If a dispute cannot be resolved informally by mutual agreement at the lowest possible level, the dispute shall be referred up the respective chain of command of each party in an attempt to resolve the matter. This will be done in an expeditious manner. Servicer shall continue diligent performance of the Services pending resolution of any dispute. Fannie Mae and Servicer reserve the right to pursue other legal or equitable rights they may have concerning any dispute. However, the parties agree to take all reasonable steps to resolve disputes internally before commencing legal proceedings.

#### 8. Transfer or Assignment; Mergers, Acquisitions and Changes of Control; Effects of Assignment

- A. Mortgage loans and servicing rights are freely transferable under this Agreement, subject to: (i) the contractual requirements regarding notice and the execution and delivery of the Assignment and Assumption Agreement, in the form of Exhibit D, set forth in Sections 8 and 9 hereof, and (ii) any restrictions under applicable Federal, state and local laws, regulations, regulatory guidance, statutes, ordinances, codes and requirements. Servicer must provide written notice to Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac pursuant to Section 9 below of: (i) any transfers or assignments of mortgage loans, or servicing rights relating to mortgage loans, that are 60 or more days delinquent and otherwise eligible for consideration or process under one or more of the Programs at the time of transfer or assignment, or for which the Servicer is performing Services at the time of transfer or assignment (collectively, "Eligible Loans"); and (ii) any other transfers or assignments of Servicer's rights and obligations relating to Eligible Loans under this Agreement, including, but not limited to, transfers or assignments of any rights or obligations relating to Eligible Loans under this Agreement that occur in connection with the merger, acquisition, or other change of control of Servicer. Such notice must include payment instructions for payments to be made to the transferee or assignee of the Eligible Loans, servicing rights or other rights and obligations subject to the notice (if applicable), and, subject to Section 8.B. below, evidence of the assumption by such transferee or assignee of the Eligible Loans, servicing rights or other rights and obligations that are transferred, in the form of Exhibit D (the "Assignment and Assumption Agreement"). Servicer acknowledges that Fannie Mae will continue to remit payments to Servicer in accordance with Section 4 for Services relating to mortgage loans, servicing rights or other rights and obligations that have been assigned or transferred, and that Servicer will be liable for underpayments, overpayments and misdirected payments, unless and until such notice and an executed Assignment and Assumption Agreement are provided to Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac.
- B. Servicer shall notify Fannie Mae as soon as legally possible of any proposed merger, acquisition, or other change of control of Servicer, and of any financial and operational circumstances which may impair Servicer's ability to perform its obligations under the Agreement, in accordance with Sections 8 and 9, provided, however, that Servicer need not execute and deliver an Assignment and Assumption Agreement in the form of Exhibit D in the event that the assignment and assumption occur by operation of law in connection with a merger, acquisition, or other change of control of Servicer and are effective as to all of Servicer's rights and obligations under this Agreement with respect to all of the mortgage loans it services.
- C. The effects of transfers and assignments under this Agreement are as follows:

- (1) If the Servicer transfers or assigns all or any portion of its portfolio of mortgage loans or servicing rights to a third party pursuant to an Assignment and Assumption Agreement, only the Eligible Loans must be identified on a schedule to the Assignment and Assumption Agreement. The transferee or assignee of Servicer's mortgage loans and servicing rights must assume Servicer's obligations under this Agreement only with respect to Eligible Loans, subject to the Service Schedules and the Program Documentation applicable to the Programs in which Servicer agreed to participate prior to the transfer or assignment. Any mortgage loans or servicing rights that (I) are not Eligible Loans at the time of the transfer or assignment, (II) are a part of the transferee's or assignee's existing portfolio prior to the transfer or assignment, or (III) become a part of the transferee's or assignee's portfolio subsequent to such transfer or assignment will become subject to the Programs only if the transferee or assignee has itself executed a Commitment to Purchase Financial Instrument and Servicer Participation Agreement separate and apart from the transfer or assignment involving Servicer and, then, only in accordance therewith.
- (2) If the Servicer transfers or assigns its portfolio of mortgage loans and servicing rights to a third party in connection with a merger, acquisition, or other change of control and the transfer or assignment is effective by operation of law, the transferee or assignee of such mortgage loans and servicing rights must provide servicing with respect to all such mortgage loans and servicing rights (regardless of status at the time of transfer or assignment with respect to Program eligibility) in accordance with this Agreement, subject to the Service Schedules and the Program Documentation applicable to the Programs in which Servicer agreed to participate prior to the transfer or assignment. Any mortgage loans or servicing rights that (I) are a part of the transferee's or assignee's existing portfolio prior to the transfer or assignment, or (II) become a part of the transferee's or assignee's portfolio subsequent to such transfer or assignment will become subject to the Programs only if the transferee or assignee has itself executed a Commitment to Purchase Financial Instrument and Servicer Participation Agreement separate and apart from the transfer or assignment involving Servicer and, then, only in accordance therewith.
- (3) Servicer may not transfer or assign any mortgage loans or servicing rights to any third party in a manner that is intended to circumvent, or has the effect of circumventing, Servicer's obligations under this Agreement.

#### 9. Notices

All legal notices under the Agreement shall be in writing and referred to each party's point of contact identified below at the address listed below, or to such other point of contact at such other address as may be designated in writing by such party. All such notices under the Agreement shall be considered received: (a) when personally delivered; (b) when delivered by commercial overnight courier with verification receipt; (c) when sent by confirmed facsimile; or (d) three (3) days after having been sent, postage prepaid, via certified mail, return receipt requested. Notices shall not be made or delivered in electronic form, except as provided in Section 12.B. below, provided, however, that the party giving the notice may send an e-mail to the party receiving the notice advising that party that a notice has been sent by means permitted under this Section.

To Servicer:

JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.
Attn:

1 Chase Manhattan Plaza, 15th Floor
New York, New York 10081
Email:

#### To Fannie Mae:

Fannie Mae
3900 Wisconsin Ave, NW
Washington, DC 20016
Attn:
Facsimile:

To Treasury:

Department of Treasury

Department of Treasury
1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20220
Facsimile:

To Freddie Mac:

Freddie Mac 8100 Jones Branch Drive McLean, VA 22102

Attn: Vice President, Making Home Affordable - Compliance

Facsimile: (703) 903-2544

Email: MHA Compliance@freddiemac.com

#### 10. Modifications

A. Subject to Sections 10.B. and 10.C., modifications to the Agreement shall be in writing and signed by Fannie Mae and Servicer.

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- B. Fannie Mae and the Treasury each reserve the right to unilaterally modify or supplement the terms and provisions of the Program Documentation that relate (as determined by Fannie Mae or the Treasury, in their reasonable discretion) to the compliance and performance requirements of the Programs, and related remedies established by Freddie Mac, and/or to technical, administrative, or procedural matters or compliance and reporting requirements that may impact the administration of the Programs.
- C. Notwithstanding Sections 10.A. and 10.B., any modification to the Program Documentation that materially impacts the borrower eligibility requirements, the amount of payments of the Purchase Price to be made to Participating Servicers, Investors and borrowers under any of the Programs in which Servicer participates, or the rights, duties, or obligations of

Participating Servicers, Investors or borrowers in connection with any of the Programs in which Servicer participates (each, a "Program Modification" and, collectively, the "Program Modifications") shall be effective only on a prospective basis; Participating Servicers will be afforded the opportunity to opt-out of a modified Program when Program Modifications are published with respect to the Services to be performed by Servicer in connection with the modified Program on or after the effective date of the Program Modification, at Servicer's discretion. Opt-out procedures, including, but not limited to, the time and process for notification of election to opt-out and the window for such election, will be set forth in the Program Documentation describing the Program Modification, provided, however, that Servicer will be given at least thirty (30) days to elect to opt-out of a Program Modification. For the avoidance of doubt, during the period during which Servicer may elect to opt-out of a Program Modification and after any such opt-out is elected by Servicer, Servicer will continue to perform the Services described in the Financial Instrument and the Program Documentation (as the Program Documentation existed immediately prior to the publication of the Program Modification prompting the opt-out) with respect to any Services that Servicer had already begun to perform prior to the opt-out.

#### 11. Miscellaneous

- A. The Agreement shall be governed by and construed under Federal law and not the law of any state or locality, without reference to or application of the conflicts of law principles. Any and all disputes between the parties that cannot be settled by mutual agreement shall be resolved solely and exclusively in the United States Federal courts located within the District of Columbia. Both parties consent to the jurisdiction and venue of such courts and irrevocably waive any objections thereto.
- B. The Agreement is not a Federal procurement contract and is therefore not subject to the provisions of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act (41 U.S.C. §§ 251-260), the Federal Acquisition Regulations (48 CFR Chapter 1), or any other Federal procurement law.
- C. Any provision of the Agreement that is determined to be prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such prohibition or unenforceability without invalidating the remaining provisions of the Agreement, and no such prohibition or unenforceability in any jurisdiction shall invalidate such provision in any other jurisdiction.
- D. Failure on the part of Fannie Mae to insist upon strict compliance with any of the terms hereof shall not be deemed a waiver, nor will any waiver hereunder at any time be deemed a waiver at any other time. No waiver will be valid unless in writing and signed by an authorized officer of Fannie Mae. No failure by Fannie Mae to exercise any right, remedy, or power hereunder will operate as a waiver thereof. The rights, remedies, and powers provided herein are cumulative and not exhaustive of any rights, remedies, and powers provided by law.
- E. The Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties to the Agreement and their permitted successors-in-interest.
- F. The Commitment, the Service Schedule(s) and the Assignment and Assumption Agreement (if applicable) may be executed in two or more counterparts (and by different parties on separate counterparts), each of which shall be an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.
- G. The Commitment, together with the Service Schedule(s), the Financial Instrument, the Certifications, the Assignment and Assumption Agreement (if applicable) and the Program Documentation, constitutes the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. In the event of a conflict between any of the foregoing documents and the Program Documentation, the Program Documentation shall prevail. In the event of a conflict between the Program Guidelines and the Supplemental Directives, the Program Guidelines shall prevail.
- H. Any provisions of the Agreement (including all documents incorporated by reference thereto) that contemplate their continuing effectiveness, including, but not limited to, Sections 4, 5.B., 6, 8, 9, 11 and 12 of the Commitment, and Sections 2,

3, 5, 7, 8, 9 and 10 of the Financial Instrument, and any other provisions (or portions thereof) in the Agreement that relate to, or may impact, the ability of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac to fulfill their responsibilities as agents of the United States in connection with the Programs, shall survive the expiration or termination of the Agreement.

#### 12. Defined Terms; Incorporation by Reference; Effect of Amendment and Restatement

- A. All references to the "Agreement" necessarily include, in all instances, the Commitment and all documents incorporated into the Commitment by reference, whether or not so noted contextually, and all amendments and modifications thereto. Specific references throughout the Agreement to individual documents that are incorporated by reference into the Commitment are not inclusive of any other documents that are incorporated by reference, unless so noted contextually.
- B. The term "Effective Date" means the date on which Fannie Mae transmits a copy of the fully executed Commitment, Initial Service Schedule(s) and Financial Instrument to Treasury and Servicer with a completed cover sheet, in the form attached hereto as Exhibit E (the "Cover Sheet"); the Agreement shall be effective on the Effective Date. Any Additional Service Schedules that are executed and delivered to Fannie Mae after the Effective Date of the Agreement shall be also be accompanied by a completed Cover Sheet and shall be effective on the effective date or dates set forth therein. All executed documents and accompanying Cover Sheets will be faxed, emailed, or made available through other electronic means to Treasury and Servicer in accordance with Section 9.
- C. The Program Documentation and Exhibit A Service Schedule(s) (Service Schedule A-1, et seq.), Exhibit B Form of Financial Instrument, Exhibit C Form of Certification, Exhibit D Form of Assignment and Assumption Agreement and Exhibit E Form of Cover Sheet (in each case, in form and, upon completion, in substance), including all amendments and modifications thereto, are incorporated into this Commitment by this reference and given the same force and effect as though fully set forth herein.
- D. The Prior Agreement is amended and restated in its entirety, and all of the terms and conditions of the Prior Agreement are superseded by the terms and conditions of this Agreement, effective as of the Effective Date of this Agreement.

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In Witness Whereof, Servicer and Pannie Mae by their duly authorized officials hereby execute and deliver this Amended and Restated Commitment to Purchase Financial Instrument and Servicer Participation Agreement as of the Effective Date.

SERVICER:	JPM	organ	Chase	Bank	, NA.
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FANNIE MAE, solely as Financial Agent of the United States

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Name: Henry John Berens Title: SVP Destruit Servicing

Date: 3 24 2010

By: Lon Hallumbo

Name: DN/FAUMRO
Title: VP. (FG/F
Date: 3/3/2/2010)

#### **EXHIBITS**

Exhibit A Service Schedule(s)

Exhibit B Form of Financial Instrument

Exhibit C Form of Certification

Exhibit D Form of Assignment and Assumption Agreement

Exhibit E Form of Cover Sheet

#### **EXHIBIT A**

#### SERVICE SCHEDULE(S)

The attached Service Schedules together comprise Exhibit A to that certain Amended and Restated Commitment to Purchase Financial Instrument and Servicer Participation Agreement (the "Commitment"), entered into as of the Effective Date, by and between Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae"), a federally chartered corporation, acting as financial agent of the United States, and the undersigned party ("Servicer").

Each of the Service Schedules attached hereto is effective as of the Effective Date, or on such other date or dates as may be specified therein. All of the capitalized terms that are used but not defined in the Service Schedules shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Commitment.

Exhibit A is deemed to be amended to include all Additional Service Schedules (if any) that are executed and delivered by the parties after the Effective Date in accordance with the Agreement, without any further action on the part of the parties hereto.

This Service Schedule is appended to that certain Amended and Restated Commitment to Purchase Pinancial Instrument and Servicer Participation Agreement (the "Commitment"), entered into as of the Effective Date, by and between Federal National Mortgage Association ("Pannie Mas"), a federally chartered corporation, acting as financial agent of the United States, and the undersigned party ("Servicer"), and, together with all other Services Schedules appended thereto (if any), constitutes Exhibit A to the Commitment.

All of the capitalized terms that are used but not defined below shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Commitment or in applicable Program Documentation.

#### 1. Program Name:

Servicer kereby elects to participate in the following Program:

Home Affordable Modification Program (HAMP)

#### 2. Description of Program Services:

All services required to be performed by a participating servicer as set forth in the Program Documentation for the Home Affordable Modification Program under the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008, as amended, including, but not limited to, obligations relating to the modification of first lien mortgage loans and the provision of loan modification and foreclosure prevention services relating thereto.

#### 3. Effective date of Service Schedule:

This Service Schedule is executed and delivered contemporaneously with the Commitment; accordingly, the effective date of this Service Schedule is the Effective Date of the Agreement.

In Witness Whereof, Servicer and Fannic Mac by their duly authorized officials hereby execute and deliver this Service Schedule as of the effective date of the Service Schedule set forth above.

By:
Name: Services

By: Default Services

By: Date: 3 99 3010

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By: Mallumbo
Name: Default Services

Date: 3 99 3010

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All of the capitalized terms that are used but not defined below shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Commitment or in applicable Program Documentation.

#### 1. Program Name:

Services hereby elects to participate in the following Program(s):

Second Lien Modification Program

#### 2. Description of Program Services:

All services required to be performed by a participating servicer as set forth in the Program Documentation for the Second Lien Modification Program under the Emergency Beonomic Stabilization Act of 2008, as amended, including, but not limited to, obligations relating to the modification or extinguishment of second lien mortgage loans and the provision of loan modification and foreclosure prevention services relating thereto.

#### 3. Effective date of Service Schedule:

This Service Schedule is executed and delivered contemporaneously with the Commitment; accordingly, the effective date of this Service Schedule is the Effective Date of the Agreement.

In Witness Whereof, Services and Fannie Mae by their duly authorized officials hereby execute and deliver this Service Schedule as of the effective date of the Service Schedule set forth above.

SERVICER: JPMorgan Chase Bank, NA.	FANNIE MAE, solely as Financial Agent of the United States
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Title: XVP Default Jennaho.	Title: P. Ordif
Date: 3 24 2010 0	Date: 3/26/2010

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All of the capitalized terms that are used but not defined below shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Commitment or in applicable Program Documentation.

#### I. Program Name:

Servicer hereby elects to participate in the following Program(s):

Treasury Federal Housing Administration - Home Affordable Modification Program (Treasury FHA-HAMP)

#### 2. Description of Program Services:

All services required to be performed by a participating servicer relating to Treasury FHA-HAMP, as set forth in guidance issued by the Federal Housing Administration from time to time; including Mortgagee Letter 2009-23, 2009-35, 2009-39, 2010-04 and 2010-10, and in the Program Documentation for including Treasury FHA-HAMP in the Home Affordable Modification Program under the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008, as amended, including, but not limited to, obligations relating to the modification of first lien mortgage loans insured by the Federal Housing Administration and the provision of loan modification and foreclosure prevention services relating thereto.

#### 3. Effective date of Service Schedule:

This Service Schedule is executed and delivered contemporaneously with the Commitment; accordingly, the effective date of this Service Schedule is the Effective Date of the Agreement.

In Witness Whereof, Servicer and Fannie Mae by their duly authorized officials hereby execute and deliver this Service Schedule as of the effective date of the Service Schedule set forth above.

SERVICER: JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.	FANNIE MAE, solely as Financial Agent of the United States
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All of the capitalized terms that are used but not defined below shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Commitment or in applicable Program Documentation.

#### 1. Program Name:

Servicer hereby elects to participate in the following Program(s):

Treasury/FHA-Second Lieu Program (FHA2LP)

#### 2. Description of Program Services:

All services required to be performed by a participating servicer relating to FHA2LP, as set forth in the Program Documentation for FHA2LP in the Making Home Affordable Program under the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008, as amended.

#### 3. Effective date of Service Schedule:

This Service Schedule is executed and delivered contemporaneously with the Commitment; accordingly, the effective date of this Service Schedule is the Effective Date of the Agreement.

#### 4. Opt-Out Right:

For the avoidance of doubt, issuance of an FHA2LP Program Modification requiring mandatory second lien principal forgiveness shall afford Servicer the opportunity to opt-out of PHA2LP in accordance with section 10.C. of the Agreement. Servicer shall have thirty (30) calendar days from the date any such Program Modification is published to make an opt-out election.

In Wilness Whereof, Servicer and Fannie Mae by their duly authorized officials hereby execute and deliver this Service Schedule as of the effective date of the Service Schedule set forth above.

SERVICER: JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.

Name:

FANNIE MAE, solely as Financial Agent of the United States

By:\_\_\_^ Name:\_\_

Title: // (ex

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This Service Schedule is appended to that certain Amended and Restated Commitment to Purchase Financial Instrument and Servicer Participation Agreement (the "Commitment"), entered into as of the Effective Date, by and between Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae"), a federally chartered corporation, acting as financial agent of the United States, and the undersigned party ("Servicer"), and, together with all other Services Schedules appended thereto (if any), constitutes Exhibit A to the Commitment.

All of the capitalized terms that are used but not defined below shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Commitment or in applicable Program Documentation.

#### 1. Program Name:

Servicer hereby elects to participate in the following Program(s):

US Department of Agriculture – Rural Housing Service Home Affordable Medification Program (RD-HAMP)

#### 2. <u>Description of Program Services</u>:

All services required to be performed by a participating servicer relating to RD-HAMP, as set forth in guidance issued by the Rural Housing Service (RHS) from time to time; including the final rule published on RHS's Guaranteed Single Family Housing Loans in 75 FR 52,429, August 26, 2010, and in the Program Documentation for including RD-HAMP in the Home Affordable Modification Program under the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008, as amended, including, but not limited to, obligations relating to the modification of first lien mortgage loans insured by RHS and the provision of loan modification and foreclosure prevention services relating thereto.

#### 3. Effective date of Service Schedule:

This Service Schedule is executed and delivered contemporaneously with the Commitment; accordingly, the effective date of this Service Schedule is the Effective Date of the Agreement.

In Witness Whereof, Servicer and Fannie Mae by their duly authorized officials hereby execute and deliver this Service Schedule as of the effective date of the Service Schedule set forth above.

SERVICER: JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.	FANNIE MAE, solely as Financial Agent of the United States
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#### EXHIBIT B

#### FORM OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT

#### FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT

This Financial Instrument is delivered as provided in Section 1 of the Amended and Restated Commitment to Purchase Financial Instrument and Servicer Participation Agreement (the "Commitment"), entered into as of the Effective Date, by and between Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae"), a federally chartered corporation, acting as financial agent of the United States, and the undersigned party ("Servicer"). This Financial Instrument is effective as of the Effective Date. All of the capitalized terms that are used but not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Commitment.

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, Servicer agrees as follows:

- 1. <u>Purchase Price Consideration: Services.</u> This Financial Instrument is being purchased by Fannie Mae pursuant to Section 4 of the Commitment in consideration for the payment by Fannie Mae, in its capacity as a financial agent of the United States, of various payments detailed in the Program Documentation and referred to collectively in the Commitment as the "Purchase Price."
  - (a) The conditions precedent to the payment by Fannie Mae of the Purchase Price with respect to the Services described on the Initial Service Schedules are: (i) the execution and delivery of this Financial Instrument, the Commitment and the Initial Service Schedules by Servicer to Fannie Mae; (ii) the execution and delivery of the Commitment and the Initial Service Schedules by Fannie Mae to Servicer; (iii) the delivery of copies of the fully executed Commitment, Initial Service Schedules and Financial Instrument to Treasury on the Effective Date of the Agreement; (iv) the performance by Servicer of the Services described in the Agreement; and (v) the satisfaction by Servicer of such other obligations as are set forth in the Agreement. Servicer shall perform all Services in consideration for the Purchase Price in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement, to the reasonable satisfaction of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac.
  - (b) The conditions precedent to the payment by Fannie Mae of the Purchase Price with respect to the Services described on the Additional Service Schedules (if any) are: (i) the execution and delivery of the Additional Service Schedules and the Certification by Servicer to Fannie Mae; (ii) the execution and delivery of the Additional Service Schedules by Fannie Mae to Servicer; (iii) the delivery of copies of the fully executed Additional Service Schedules to Treasury; (iv) the performance by Servicer of the Services described in the Agreement, in accordance with the terms and conditions thereof, to the reasonable satisfaction of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac; and (v) the satisfaction by Servicer of such other obligations as are set forth in the Agreement.
- 2. Authority and Agreement to Participate in Program. Subject to the limitations set forth in Section 2 of the Agreement, Servicer shall use reasonable efforts to remove all prohibitions or impediments to its authority and to obtain all third party consents, waivers and delegations that are required, by contract or law, in order to perform the Services.
- 3. Audits, Reporting and Data Retention.
  - (a) Freddie Mac, the Federal Housing Finance Agency and other parties designated by the Treasury or applicable law shall have the right during normal business hours to conduct unannounced, informal onsite visits and to conduct formal onsite and offsite physical, personnel and information technology testing, security reviews, and audits of Servicer and to examine all books, records and data related to the Services provided and Purchase Price received in connection with each of the Programs in which Servicer participates on thirty (30) days' prior written notice.

- (b) Servicer will collect, record, retain and provide to Treasury, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac all data, information and documentation relating to the Programs in which Servicer participates as required by applicable Program Documentation. All such data, information and documentation must be provided to the Treasury, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac as, when and in the manner specified in applicable Program Documentation. In addition, Servicer shall provide copies of executed contracts and tapes of loan pools related to the Programs for review upon request.
- (c) Servicer shall promptly take corrective and remedial actions associated with reporting and reviews as directed by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac and provide to Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac such evidence of the effective implementation of corrective and remedial actions as Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac shall reasonably require. Freddie Mac may conduct additional reviews based on its findings and the corrective actions taken by Servicer.
- (d) In addition to any other obligation to retain financial and accounting records that may be imposed by Federal or state law, Servicer shall retain all information described in Section 3(b), and all data, books, reports, documents, audit logs and records, including electronic records, related to the performance of Services in connection with the Programs. In addition, Servicer shall maintain a copy of all computer systems and application software necessary to review and analyze these electronic records. Unless otherwise directed by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac, Servicer shall retain these records for at least 7 years from the date the data or record was created, or for such longer period as may be required pursuant to applicable law. Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac may also notify Servicer from time to time of any additional record retention requirements resulting from litigation and regulatory investigations in which the Treasury or any agents of the United States may have an interest, and Servicer agrees to comply with these litigation and regulatory investigations requirements.

#### Internal Control Program.

- (a) Servicer shall develop, enforce and review on a quarterly basis for effectiveness an internal control program designed to: (i) ensure effective delivery of Services in connection with the Programs in which Servicer participates and compliance with applicable Program Documentation; (ii) effectively monitor and detect loan modification fraud; and (iii) effectively monitor compliance with applicable consumer protection and fair lending laws. The internal control program must include documentation of the control objectives for Program activities, the associated control techniques, and mechanisms for testing and validating the controls.
- (b) Servicer shall provide Freddie Mac with access to all internal control reviews and reports that relate to Services under the Programs performed by Servicer and its independent auditing firm to enable Freddie Mac to fulfill its duties as a compliance agent of the United States; a copy of the reviews and reports will be provided to Fannie Mae for record keeping and other administrative purposes.
- 5. Representations, Warranties and Covenants. Servicer makes the following representations, warranties and covenants to Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac and the Treasury, the truth and accuracy of which are continuing obligations of Servicer. In the event that any of the representations, warranties, or covenants made herein cease to be true and correct, Servicer agrees to notify Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac immediately.
  - (a) Servicer is established under the laws of the United States or any state, territory, or possession of the United States or the District of Columbia, and has significant operations in the United States. Servicer has full corporate power and authority to enter into, execute, and deliver the Agreement

- and to perform its obligations hereunder and has all licenses necessary to carry on its business as now being conducted and as contemplated by the Agreement.
- (b) Servicer is in compliance with, and covenants that all Services will be performed in compliance with, all applicable Federal, state and local laws, regulations, regulatory guidance, statutes, ordinances, codes and requirements, including, but not limited to, the Truth in Lending Act, 15 USC 1601 § et seq., the Home Ownership and Equity Protection Act, 15 USC § 1639, the Federal Trade Commission Act, 15 USC § 41 et seq., the Equal Credit Opportunity Act, 15 USC § 701 et seq., the Fair Credit Reporting Act, 15 USC § 1681 et seq., the Fair Housing Act and other Federal and state laws designed to prevent unfair, discriminatory or predatory lending practices and all applicable laws governing tenant rights. Subject to the following sentence, Servicer has obtained or made, or will obtain or make, all governmental approvals or registrations required under law and has obtained or will obtain all consents necessary to authorize the performance of its obligations under the Programs in which Servicer participates and the Agreement. The performance of Services under the Agreement will not conflict with, or be prohibited in any way by, any other agreement or statutory restriction by which Servicer is bound, provided, however, that Fannie Mae acknowledges and agrees that this representation and warranty is qualified solely by and to the extent of any contractual limitations established under applicable pooling and servicing agreements and other servicing contracts to which Servicer is subject. Servicer is not aware of any other legal or financial impediments to performing its obligations under the Programs in which Servicer participates or the Agreement and shall promptly notify Fannie Mae of any financial and/or operational impediments which may impair its ability to perform its obligations under such Programs or the Agreement. Servicer is not delinquent on any Federal tax obligation or any other debt owed to the United States or collected by the United States for the benefit of others, excluding any debt or obligation that is being contested in good faith.
- (c) Servicer covenants that: (i) it will perform its obligations in accordance with the Agreement and will promptly provide such performance reporting as Fannie Mae may reasonably require; (ii) all Services will be offered to borrowers, fully documented and serviced, or otherwise performed, in accordance with the applicable Program Documentation; and (iii) all data, collection information and other information reported by Servicer to Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac under the Agreement, including, but not limited to, information that is relied upon by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac in calculating the Purchase Price or in performing any compliance review will be true, complete and accurate in all material respects, and consistent with all relevant business records, as and when provided.
- (d) Servicer covenants that it will: (i) perform the Services required under the Program Documentation and the Agreement in accordance with the practices, high professional standards of care, and degree of attention used in a well-managed operation, and no less than that which the Servicer exercises for itself under similar circumstances; and (ii) use qualified individuals with suitable training, education, experience and skills to perform the Services. Servicer acknowledges that Program participation may require changes to, or the augmentation of, its systems, staffing and procedures, and covenants and agrees to take all actions necessary to ensure it has the capacity to implement the Programs in which it participates in accordance with the Agreement.
- (e) Servicer covenants that it will comply with all regulations on conflicts of interest that are applicable to Servicer in connection with the conduct of its business and all conflicts of interest and non-disclosure obligations and restrictions and related mitigation procedures set forth in the Program Documentation (if any), as they relate to the Programs in which Servicer participates.

- (f) Servicer acknowledges that the provision of false or misleading information to Fannie Mae or Freddle Mac in connection with any of the Programs or pursuant to the Agreement may constitute a violation of: (a) Federal criminal law involving fraud, conflict of interest, bribery, or gratuity violations found in Title 18 of the United States Code; or (b) the civil False Claims Act (31 U.S.C. §§ 3729-3733). Servicer covenants to disclose to Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac any credible evidence, in connection with the Services, that a management official, employee, or contractor of Servicer has committed, or may have committed, a violation of the referenced statutes.
- (g) Servicer covenants to disclose to Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac any other facts or information that the Treasury, Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac should reasonably expect to know about Servicer and its contractors to help protect the reputational interests of the Treasury, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac in managing and monitoring the Programs in which Servicer participates.
- (h) Servicer covenants that it will timely inform Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac of any anticipated Event of Default and of any Act of Bad Faith of which it becomes aware.
- (i) Servicer acknowledges that Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac may be required to assist the Treasury with responses to the Privacy Act of 1974 (the "Privacy Act"), 5 USC § 552a, inquiries from borrowers and Freedom of Information Act, 5 USC § 552, inquiries from other parties, as well as formal inquiries from Congressional committees and members, the Government Accounting Office, Inspectors General and other government entities, as well as media and consumer advocacy group inquiries about the Programs and their effectiveness. Servicer covenants that it will respond promptly and accurately to all search requests made by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac, comply with any related procedures which Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac may establish, and provide related training to employees and contractors. In connection with Privacy Act inquiries, Servicer covenants that it will provide updated and corrected information as appropriate about borrowers' records to ensure that any system of record maintained by Fannie Mae on behalf of the Treasury is accurate and complete.
- (j) Servicer acknowledges that Fannie Mae is required to develop and implement customer service call centers to respond to borrowers' and other parties' inquiries regarding the Programs, which may require additional support from Servicer. Servicer covenants that it will provide such additional customer service call support as Fannie Mae reasonably determines is necessary to support the Programs in which Servicer participates.
- (k) Servicer acknowledges that Fannie Mae and/or Freddie Mac are required to develop and implement practices to monitor and detect loan modification fraud and to monitor compliance with applicable consumer protection and fair lending laws. Servicer covenants that it will fully and promptly cooperate with Fannie Mae's inquiries about loan modification fraud and legal compliance and comply with any anti-fraud and legal compliance procedures which Fannie Mae and/or Freddie Mac may require. Servicer covenants that it will develop and implement an internal control program to monitor and detect loan modification fraud and to monitor compliance with applicable consumer protection and fair lending laws, among other things, as provided in Section 4 of this Financial Instrument and acknowledges that the internal control program will be monitored, as provided in such Section.
- Servicer shall sign and deliver a Certification to Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac beginning on June
   2010 and again on June 1 of each year thereafter during the Term, and upon the execution and

- delivery by Servicer of Additional Service Schedule(s) (if any) during the Term, in each case in the form attached as Exhibit C to the Agreement.
- (m) Solely if Servicer has elected to participate in the Second Lien Modification Program by executing and delivering to Fannie Mae a Service Schedule relating thereto, Servicer represents, warrants and covenants that each mortgage loan it modifies under the Second Lien Modification Program is, or will be at the time of modification, a lien that is second in priority relative to the first lien that was modified under the Programs.
- 6. <u>Use of Contractors</u>. Servicer is responsible for the supervision and management of any contractor that assists in the performance of Services in connection with the Programs in which Servicer participates. Servicer shall remove and replace any contractor that fails to perform. Servicer shall ensure that all of its contractors comply with the terms and provisions of the Agreement. Servicer shall be responsible for the acts or omissions of its contractors as if the acts or omissions were by the Servicer.

#### 7. <u>Data Rights</u>.

- (a) For purposes of this Section, the following definitions apply:
  - (i) "<u>Data</u>" means any recorded information, regardless of form or the media on which it may be recorded, regarding any of the Services provided in connection with the Programs.
  - (ii) "Limited Rights" means non-exclusive rights to, without limitation, use, copy, maintain, modify, enhance, disclose, reproduce, prepare derivative works, and distribute, in any manner, for any purpose related to the administration, activities, review, or audit of, or public reporting regarding, the Programs and to permit others to do so in connection therewith.
  - (iii) "NPI" means nonpublic personal information, as defined under the GLB.
  - (iv) "GLB" means the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, 15 U.S.C. 6801-6809.
- (b) Subject to Section 7(c) below, Treasury, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac shall have Limited Rights, with respect to all Data produced, developed, or obtained by Servicer or a contractor of Servicer in connection with the Programs, provided, however, that NPI will not be transferred by Fannie Mae in violation of the GLB and, provided, further, that Servicer acknowledges and agrees that any use of NPI by, the distribution of NPI to, or the transfer of NPI among, Federal, state and local government organizations and agencies does not constitute a violation of the GLB for purposes of the Agreement. If requested, such Data shall be made available to the Treasury, Fannie Mae, or Freddie Mac upon request, or as and when directed by the Program Documentation relating to the Programs in which Servicer participates, in industry standard useable format.
- (c) Servicer expressly consents to the publication of its name as a participant in the Programs listed on the Service Schedules, and the use and publication of Servicer's Data, subject to applicable state and federal laws regarding confidentiality, in any form and on any media utilized by Treasury, Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac, including, but not limited to, on any website or webpage hosted by Treasury, Fannie Mae, or Freddie Mac, in connection with such Programs, provided that no Data placed in the public domain: (i) will contain the name, social security number, or street address of any borrower or other information that would allow the borrower to be

identified; or, (ii) will, if presented in a form that links the Servicer with the Data, include (x) information other than program performance and participation related statistics, such as the number of modifications or extinguishments, performance of modifications, characteristics of the modified loans, or program compensation or fees, or (y) any information about any borrower other than creditworthiness characteristics such as debt, income, and credit score. In any Data provided to an enforcement or supervisory agency with jurisdiction over the Servicer, these limitations on borrower information shall not apply.

#### 8. Publicity and Disclosure.

- (a) Servicer shall not make use of any Treasury name, symbol, emblem, program name, or product name, in any advertising, signage, promotional material, press release, Web page, publication, or media interview, without the prior written consent of the Treasury.
- (b) Servicer shall not publish, or cause to have published, or make public use of Fannie Mae's name, logos, trademarks, or any information about its relationship with Fannie Mae without the prior written permission of Fannie Mae, which permission may be withdrawn at any time in Fannie Mae's sole discretion.
- (c) Servicer shall not publish, or cause to have published, or make public use of Freddie Mac's name (i.e., "Freddie Mac" or "Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation"), logos, trademarks, or any information about its relationship with Freddie Mac without the prior written permission of Freddie Mac, which permission may be withdrawn at any time in Freddie Mac's sole discretion.
- 9. Limitation of Liability. IN NO EVENT SHALL FANNIE MAE, THE TREASURY, OR FREDDIE MAC, OR THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS OR AFFILIATES BE LIABLE TO SERVICER WITH RESPECT TO ANY OF THE PROGRAMS OR THE AGREEMENT, OR FOR ANY ACT OR OMISSION OCCURRING IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING, FOR ANY DAMAGES OF ANY KIND, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO DIRECT DAMAGES, INDIRECT DAMAGES, LOST PROFITS, LOSS OF BUSINESS, OR OTHER INCIDENTAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, SPECIAL OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES OF ANY NATURE OR UNDER ANY LEGAL THEORY WHATSOEVER, EVEN IF ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES AND REGARDLESS OF WHETHER OR NOT THE DAMAGES WERE REASONABLY FORESEEABLE; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT THIS PROVISION SHALL NOT LIMIT FANNIE MAE'S OBLIGATION TO REMIT PURCHASE PRICE PAYMENTS TO SERVICER IN ITS CAPACITY AS FINANCIAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AGREEMENT.
- 10. Indemnification. Servicer shall indemnify, hold harmless, and pay for the defense of Fannie Mae, the Treasury and Freddie Mac, and their respective officers, directors, employees, agents and affiliates against all claims, liabilities, costs, damages, judgments, suits, actions, losses and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs of suit, arising out of or resulting from: (a) Servicer's breach of Section 5 (Representations, Warranties and Covenants) of this Financial Instrument; (b) Servicer's negligence, willful misconduct or failure to perform its obligations under the Agreement; or (c) any injuries to persons (including death) or damages to property caused by the negligent or willful acts or omissions of Servicer or its contractors. Servicer shall not settle any suit or claim regarding any of the foregoing without Fannie Mae's prior written consent if such settlement would be adverse to Fannie Mae's interest, or the interests of the Treasury or Freddie Mac. Servicer agrees to pay or reimburse all costs that may be incurred by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac in enforcing this indemnity, including attorneys' fees.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Servicer hereby executes this Financial Instrument on the date set forth below.

JPMorgan Chase Bank, NA.

[Name of Authorized Official]
[Title of Authorized Official]

## EXHIBIT C FORM OF CERTIFICATION

#### CERTIFICATION

This Certification is delivered as provided in Section 1.C. of the Amended and Restated Commitment to Purchase Pinancial Instrument and Servicer Participation Agreement (the "Commitment"), effective as of [1885], by and between Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae"), a federally chartered corporation, acting as financial agent of the United States, and the undersigned party ("Servicer"). All terms used, but not defined herein, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Commitment.

Servicer hereby certifies, as of [INSERT DATE ON WHICH CERTIFICATION IS COVEN], that:

- 1. Servicer is established under the laws of the United States or any state, territory, or possession of the United States or the District of Columbia, and has significant operations in the United States. Servicer had full corporate power and authority to enter into, execute, and deliver the Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder and has all licenses necessary to carry on its business as now being conducted and as contemplated by the Agreement.
- 2. Servicer is in compliance with, and certifies that all Services have been performed in compliance with, all applicable Pederal, state and local laws, regulations, regulatory guidance, statutes, ordinances, codes and requirements, including, but not limited to, the Truth in Lending Act, 15 USC § 1601 § et seq., the Home Ownership and Equity Protection Act, 15 USC § 1639, the Federal Trade Commission Act, 15 USC § 41 et seq., the Equal Credit Opportunity Act, 15 USC § 701 et seq., the Pair Credit Reporting Act, 15 USC § 1681 et seq., the Fair Housing Act and other Federal and state laws designed to prevent unfair, discriminatory or predatory lending practices and all applicable laws governing tenant rights. Subject to the following sentence, Servicer has obtained or made all governmental approvals or registrations required under law and has obtained all consents necessary to authorize the performance of its obligations under the Programs in which Servicer participated and the Agreement. The performance of Services under the Agreement has not conflicted with, or been prohibited in any way by, any other agreement or statutory restriction by which Servicer is bound, except to the extent of any contractual limitations under applicable pooling and servicing agreements and other servicing contracts to which Servicer is subject. Servicer is not aware of any other legal or financial impediments to performing its obligations under the Programs or the Agreement and has promptly notified Fannie Mae of any financial and/or operational impediments which may impair its ability to perform its obligations under the Programs or the Agreement. Servicer is not delinquent on any Federal tax obligation or any other debt owed to the United States or collected by the United States for the benefit of others, excluding any debts or obligations that are being contested in good faith.
- 3. (i) Servicer has performed its obligations in accordance with the Agreement and has promptly provided such performance reporting as Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac have reasonably required; (ii) all Services have been offered by Servicer to borrowers, fully documented and serviced by Servicer in accordance with the applicable Program Documentation; and (iii) all data, collection information and other information reported by Servicer to Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac under the Agreement, including, but not limited to, information that was relied upon by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac in calculating the Purchase Price and in performing any compliance review, was true, complete and accurate in all material respects, and consistent with all relevant business records, as and when provided.
- 4. Servicer has: (i) performed the Services required under the Program Documentation and the Agreement in accordance with the practices, high professional standards of care, and degree of attention used in a well-managed operation, and no less than that which the Servicer exercises for itself under similar circumstances; and (ii) used qualified individuals with suitable training, education, experience and skills to perform the Services. Servicer acknowledges that Program participation required changes to, or the augmentation of, its systems, staffing and procedures; Servicer took all actions necessary to ensure that it had the capacity to implement the Programs in which it participated in accordance with the Agreement.
- 5. Servicer has complied with all regulations on conflicts of interest that are applicable to Servicer in connection with the conduct of its business and all conflicts of interest and non-disclosure obligations and restrictions and related mitigation procedures set forth in the Program Documentation (if any), as they related to the Programs in which Servicer participated.
- 6. Servicer acknowledges that the provision of false or misleading information to Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac in connection with the Programs or pursuant to the Agreement may constitute a violation of: (a) Federal criminal law involving fraud, conflict of interest, bribery, or gratuity violations found in Title 18 of the United States Code; or (b) the civil False Claims Act (31 U.S.C. §§ 3729-3733). Servicer has disclosed to Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac any credible evidence, in connection with the Services, that a management official, employee, or contractor of Servicer has committed, or may have committed, a violation of the referenced statutes.

- 7. Servicer has disclosed to Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac any other facts or information that the Treasury, Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac should reasonably expect to know about Servicer and its contractors to help protect the reputational interests of the Treasury, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac in managing and monitoring the Programs.
- 8. Servicer acknowledges that Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac may be required to assist the Treasury with responses to the Privacy Act of 1974 (the "Privacy Act"), 5 USC § 552a, inquiries from borrowers and Freedom of Information Act, 5 USC § 552, inquiries from other parties, as well as formal inquiries from Congressional committees and members, the Government Accounting Office, Inspectors General and other government entities, as well as media and consumer advocacy group inquiries about the Programs and their effectiveness. Servicer has responded promptly and accurately to all search requests made by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, complied with any related procedures which Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac have established, and provided related training to employees and contractors. In connection with Privacy Act inquiries, Servicer has provided updated and corrected information as appropriate about borrowers' records to ensure that any system of record maintained by Fannie Mae on behalf of the Treasury is accurate and complete.
- 9. Servicer acknowledges that Fannie Mae is required to develop and implement customer service call centers to respond to borrowers' and other parties' inquiries regarding the Programs in which Servicer participates, which may require additional support from Servicer. Servicer has provided such additional customer service call support as Fannie Mae has reasonably requested to support such Programs.
- 10. Servicer acknowledges that Fannie Mae and/or Freddie Mac are required to develop and implement practices to monitor and detect loan modification fraud and to monitor compliance with applicable consumer protection and fair lending laws. Servicer has fully and promptly cooperated with Fannie Mae's inquiries about loan modification fraud and legal compliance and has complied with any anti-fraud and legal compliance procedures which Fannie Mae and/or Freddie Mac have required. Servicer has developed and implemented an internal control program to monitor and detect loan modification fraud and to monitor compliance with applicable consumer protection and fair lending laws, among other things, as provided in Section 4 of the Financial Instrument.
- 11. Solely if Servicer has elected to participate in the Second Lien Modification Program by executing and delivering to Fannie Mae a Service Schedule relating thereto, Servicer acknowledges that each mortgage loan it modified under the Second Lien Modification Program was, at the time of modification, second in priority relative to the first lien that was modified under the Programs.

In the event that any of the certifications made herein are discovered not to be true and correct, Servicer agrees to notify Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac immediately.

JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.:		
[Name of Authorized Official] [Title of Authorized Official]	Date	·

#### **EXHIBIT D**

## FORM OF ASSIGNMENT AND ASSUMPTION AGREEMENT

#### **ASSIGNMENT AND ASSUMPTION AGREEMENT**

This Assignment and Assumption Agreement (the "Assignment and Assumption Agreement") is entered into as of INSERT DATE by and between INSERT FULL FEAT NAME OF ASSIGNOR ("Assignor") and INSERT FULL FEAT NAME OF ASSIGNED ("Assignee"). All terms used, but not defined, herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Underlying Agreement (defined below).

WHEREAS, Assignor and Federal National Mortgage Association, a federally chartered corporation, as financial agent of the United States ("Fannie Mae"), are parties to an Amended and Restated Commitment to Purchase Financial Instrument and Servicer Participation Agreement, a complete copy of which (including all exhibits, amendments and modifications thereto) is attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference (the "Underlying Agreement");

WHEREAS, Assignor has agreed to assign to Assignee all of its rights and obligations under the Underlying Agreement with respect to the Eligible Loans that are identified on the schedule attached hereto as <u>Schedule 1</u> (collectively, the "<u>Assigned Rights and Obligations</u>"); and

WHEREAS, Assignee has agreed to assume the Assigned Rights and Obligations.

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

- 1. <u>Assignment</u>. Assignor hereby assigns to Assignee all of Assignor's rights and obligations under the Underlying Agreement with respect to the Assigned Rights and Obligations.
- 2. <u>Assumption</u>. Assignee hereby accepts the foregoing assignment and assumes all of the rights and obligations of Assignor under the Underlying Agreement with respect to the Assigned Rights and Obligations.
- 3. <u>Effective Date</u>. The date on which the assignment and assumption of rights and obligations under the Underlying Agreement is effective is <u>INSERFFERED AFFORMEN WASSUMETION</u>].
- 4. <u>Successors</u>. All future transfers and assignments of the Assigned Rights and Obligations transferred and assignment provisions of the Underlying Agreement. This Assignment and Assumption Agreement shall inure to the benefit of, and be binding upon, the permitted successors and assigns of the parties hereto.
- 5. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Assignment and Assumption Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be an original, but all of which together constitute one and the same instrument.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Assignor and Assignee, by their duly authorized officials, hereby execute and deliver this Assignment and Assumption Agreement, together with Schedule 1, effective as of the date set forth in Section 3 above.

ASSIGNOR: TINSERCOULE LEGALMANE OF	ASSIGNEE: LINSERIFELIE JEGALINAME OF WASSIGNEE
Ву:	By:
Name:	Name:
Title:	Title:
Date:	Date:

#### SCHEDULE 1

<u>To</u>

#### ASSIGNMENT AND ASSUMPTION AGREEMENT

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# EXHIBIT E FORM OF COVER SHEET

## Cover Sheet for Transmission of Amended and Restated Commitment to Purchase Financial Instrument and Servicer Participation Agreement and Related Documents

To: INSERT FUTFILEGAL NAME OF SERVICER ("Servicer"), INSERT SERVICER CONTACT

<u>From:</u> Federal National Mortgage Association, a federally chartered corporation, as financial agent of the United States ("<u>Fannie Mae"</u>)

Copy To: The U.S. Department of the Treasury, INSERTEREASURY CONTACT

Date: INSERT DATE OF TRANSMISSION

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constitutes notice to Servicer that the Amended and Restated Commitment to Purchase Financial Instrument and Servicer Participation Agreement, by and between Fannie Mae and Servicer (the "Commitment") and the Service Schedule(s) and Financial Instrument attached thereto have been fully executed and are effective as of the date of this transmission. The date of this transmission shall be the "Effective Date" of the Commitment, the Service Schedule(s) and the Financial Instrument.

Electrication have been delivered by Servicer to Fannie Mae, pursuant to Section 4 of the Amended and Restated Commitment to Purchase Financial Instrument and Servicer Participation Agreement, by and between Fannie Mae and Servicer (the "Commitment"). The Additional Service Schedule(s) and the Certification attached hereto have been fully executed and are effective as of the date set forth in the Additional Service Schedule(s).

Copies of the fully executed Additional Service Schedule(s) and the Certification are attached to this transmission for your records.

# EXHIBIT B

## Home Affordable Modification Program Guidelines March 4, 2009

Trial loan modifications consistent with these Guidelines may be offered to homeowners beginning on this date, March 4, 2009, and may be considered for acceptance into the Home Affordable Modification Program upon completion of the trial period and other conditions. These Guidelines, however, do not constitute a contract offer binding on the Department of the Treasury.

#### **Program Elements Described in the Guidelines**

Monthly Payment Reduction Cost Share:	Treasury will partner with financial institutions to reduce homeowners' monthly mortgage payments. The lender will have to first reduce payments on mortgages to no greater than 38% Front-End Debt-to-Income (DTI) ratio. Treasury will match further reductions in monthly payments dollar-for-dollar with the lender/investor, down to a 31% Front-End DTI ratio for the borrower.
Servicer Incentive Payments and Pay for Success Fees:	Servicers will receive an up-front Servicer Incentive Payment of \$1,000 for each eligible modification meeting guidelines established under this initiative. Servicers will also receive Pay for Success payments—as long as the borrower stays in the program—of up to \$1,000 each year for up to three years.
	Similar incentives will be paid for Hope for Homeowner refinances.
Borrower Pay-for- Performance Success Payments:	Borrowers are eligible to receive a Pay-for-Performance Success Payment that goes straight towards reducing the principal balance on the mortgage loan as long as the borrower is current on his or her monthly payments. Borrowers can receive up to \$1,000 of Pay-for-Performance Success Payments each year for up to five years.
Current Borrower One-Time Bonus Incentive:	One-time bonus incentive payments of \$1,500 to lender/investors and \$500 to servicers will be provided for modifications made while a borrower is still current on mortgage payments. The servicer will be required to maintain records and documentation evidencing that the Trial Period payment arrangements were agreed to while the borrower was less than 30 days delinquent. The servicer must comply with any express pooling and servicing contractual restrictions for modifying current loans.

Program Payment	
Conditions	No payments under the program to the lender/investor, servicer, or
	borrower will be made unless and until the servicer has entered into the
·	program agreements with Treasury's financial agent. Servicers must
	enter into the program agreements with Treasury's financial agent no later
	than December 31, 2009.

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## **Eligibility Requirements**

Pooling and Servicing Agreements:	The program guidelines reflect usual and customary industry standards for mortgage loan modifications contained in typical servicing agreements, including pooling and servicing agreements (PSAs) governing private label securitizations. Participating servicers are required to consider all eligible loans under the program guidelines unless prohibited by the rules of the applicable PSA and/or other investor servicing agreements. Participating servicers are required to use reasonable efforts to remove any prohibitions and obtain waivers or approvals from all necessary parties.
Origination Date of Loan Subject to Modification:	The mortgage to be modified must have been originated on or before January 1, 2009.
Program Expiration:	New borrowers will be accepted until December 31, 2012. Program payments will be made for up to five years after the date of entry into a Home Affordable Modification. Monitoring will continue through the life of the program.
Qualification Terms:	<ul> <li>The home must be an owner occupied, single family 1-4 unit property (including condominium, cooperative, and manufactured home affixed to a foundation and treated as real property under state law).</li> <li>The home must be a primary residence (verified with tax return, credit report, and other documentation such as a utility bill).</li> <li>The home may not be investor-owned.</li> <li>The home may not be vacant or condemned.</li> <li>Borrowers in bankruptcy are not automatically eliminated from consideration for a modification.</li> <li>Borrowers in active litigation regarding the mortgage loan can qualify for a modification without waiving their legal rights.</li> <li>First lien loans must have an unpaid principal balance (prior to capitalization of arrearages) equal to or less than: <ul> <li>1 Unit: \$729,750</li> <li>2 Units: \$934,200</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	o 3 Units: \$1,129,250 o 4 Units: \$1,403,400
In Foreclosure Process:	Any foreclosure action will be temporarily suspended during the trial period, or while borrowers are considered for alternative foreclosure prevention options. In the event that the Home Affordable Modification or alternative foreclosure prevention options fail, the foreclosure action may be resumed.
Current LTV:	There is no minimum or maximum LTV ratio for eligibility purposes.
Loan Type Exclusions:	Loans can only be modified under the Home Affordable Modification program once.
Subordinate Financing:	Subordinate liens are not included in the Front-End DTI calculation, but they are included in the Back-End DTI calculation.
Solicitation to Borrowers/ Incoming Inquiries:	Servicers should follow any existing express contractual restrictions with respect to solicitation of borrowers for modifications.

## **Underwriting Analysis**

Front-End DTI	
Target:	Front-End DTI is the ratio of PITIA to Monthly Gross Income. PITIA is defined as principal, interest, taxes, insurance (including homeowners insurance and hazard and flood insurance) and homeowners association and/or condominium fees. Mortgage insurance premiums are excluded from the PITIA calculation.
	The Front-End DTI Target is 31%. The Standard Waterfall step that results in a Front-End DTI closest to 31%, without going below 31%, will satisfy the Front-End DTI Target. There is no restriction on reducing Front-End DTI below 31%, but any portion of the reduction below 31% will not be covered by the Payment Reduction Cost Share.
Property Value:	The servicer may use, at its discretion, either one of the government sponsored enterprises (GSEs) automated valuation model (AVM) – provided that the AVM renders a reliable confidence score – or a broker price opinion (BPO).

As an alternative, the servicer may rely on the AVM it uses internally provided that (i) the servicer is subject to supervision by a Federal regulatory agency, (ii) the servicer's primary Federal regulatory agency has reviewed the model and/or its validation and (iii) the AVM renders a reliable confidence score. If the GSE or servicer AVM is unable to render a value with a reliable confidence score, the servicer must obtain an assessment of the property value utilizing a property valuation method acceptable to the servicer's Federal regulatory agency, e.g. in accordance with the Interagency Appraisal and Evaluation Guidelines (as though such guidelines apply to loan modifications), or a BPO. In all cases, the property valuation may not be more than 60 days old. Income and Asset The borrower's income will be verified by requiring a signed Form 4506-Validation: T (Request for Transcript of Tax Return) and obtaining the most recent tax return on file for each borrower on the note. For wage earners, the two most recent pay stubs for each wage earner on the note will also be required. For self-employed borrowers or for non-wage income, the borrower's income will be verified by obtaining other third party documents that provide reasonably reliable evidence of income. Borrowers must also represent and warrant that they do not have sufficient liquid assets to make their monthly mortgage payments. **Monthly Gross** The borrower's Monthly Gross Income is the amount before any payroll Income: deductions includes wages and salaries, overtime pay, commissions, fees, tips, bonuses, housing allowances, other compensation for personal services, Social Security payment, including Social Security received by adults on behalf of minors or by minors intended for their own support, annuities, insurance polices, retirement funds, pensions, disability or death benefits, unemployment benefits, rental income and other income. Monthly net income can be used for preliminary screening and qualification. If used, the servicer will need to multiply net income by 1.25 to get to an estimate of Monthly Gross Income. **Back-End DTI:** The Back-End DTI is the ratio of the borrower's total monthly debt payments (such as Front-End PITIA, any mortgage insurance premiums, payments on all installment debts, monthly payments on all junior liens, alimony, car lease payments, aggregate negative net rental income from

all investment properties owned, and monthly mortgage payments for second homes) to the borrower's Monthly Gross Income. The servicer must validate monthly installment, revolving debt and secondary mortgage debt by pulling a credit report for each borrower or a joint report for a married couple. The servicer must also consider information obtained from the borrower orally or in writing concerning incremental monthly obligations.

Borrowers who otherwise qualify for a modification under this program, but who would have a post-modification Back-End DTI greater than or equal to 55%, will be provided with a letter stating that they are required to work with a HUD-approved counselor and the modification will not take effect until they provide a signed statement indicating that they will obtain counseling.

#### Reasonably Foreseeable / Imminent Default:

Every potentially eligible borrower who calls or writes in to their servicer in reference to a modification must be screened for hardship. This screen must ascertain whether the borrower has had a change in circumstances that causes financial hardship, or is facing a recent or imminent increase in the payment that is likely to create a financial hardship (payment shock). If the borrower reports a material change in circumstances, the servicer must ask about current income and assets, and current expenses as well as the specific circumstances relating to the claimed financial hardship. Each of these elements shall be verified through documentation.

If the servicer determines that a non-defaulted borrower facing a financial hardship is in Imminent Default and will be unable to make his or her mortgage payment in the immediate future, the servicer must apply the NPV Test.

#### Required Modifications and Optional Modifications:

A standard NPV Test will be required on each loan that is in Imminent Default or is at least 60 days delinquent under the MBA delinquency calculation. This NPV Test will compare the net present value (NPV) of cash flows expected from a modification to the net present value of cash flows expected in the absence of modification. If the NPV of the modification scenario is greater, the NPV result is deemed positive.

The NPV Test applies to the Standard Waterfall only and does not require consideration of principal forgiveness. However, the servicer may choose to forgive principal if the servicer determines that principal forgiveness improves the likelihood of loan performance and the value of modification. Required parameters for the NPV Test will be published separately.

If the NPV Test generates a positive result when applying the Standard Waterfall, the servicer is required to offer a Home Affordable Modification to the borrower. If the NPV Test generates a negative result, modification is optional, unless prohibited under contract. The monthly payment reduction incentive is available for any Home Affordable Modification, whether or not NPV positive, that meets the eligibility requirements and is performed according to the waterfall described below.

If the NPV Test result is negative and a Home Affordable Modification is not pursued, the lender/investor must seek other foreclosure prevention alternatives, including alternative modification programs, deed-in-lieu and short sale programs.

#### **Loan Modification and Standard Waterfall**

Overview:	Servicers will follow the Standard Waterfall described below to reduce monthly payments to the 31% Front-End DTI Target defined above. The initiative will reimburse lenders/investors for one half of the cost of reducing monthly payments from a level consistent with a 38% Front-End DTI Ratio (or less, if the unmodified DTI is less than 38%) down to a level consistent with a 31% Front-End DTI Ratio. This Payment Reduction Cost Share can last for up to five years.
Hope for Homeowners:	Servicers will be required to consider a borrower for refinancing into the Hope for Homeowners program when feasible. Servicer incentive payments will be paid for Hope for Homeowner refinances.  If the underwriting process for a Hope for Homeowners refinance would delay eligible borrowers from receiving a modification offer, servicers will use the Standard Waterfall to begin the Home Affordability Modification and work to complete the Hope for Homeowners refinance during the Trial Modification Period.
	Consideration for a Hope for Homeowners refinance should not delay eligible borrowers from receiving a modification offer and beginning the Trial Modification Period.
Standard Waterfall Process:	Step 1a: Request Monthly Gross Income as specified above.
	Step 1b: Validate total first lien debt and monthly payments (PITIA). For

purposes of making a provisional modification offer during the trial modification period, the borrower's unverified income and debt payments can be used. Provisional information and modification terms will be verified in a timely manner.

Step 2: Capitalize arrearage. Servicers may capitalize accrued interest, past due real estate taxes and insurance premiums, delinquency charges paid to third parties in the ordinary course of servicing and not retained by the servicer, any required escrow advances already paid by the servicer and any required escrow advances by the servicer that are currently due and will be paid by the servicer during the Trial Period. Late fees are not capitalized.

Step 3: Target a Front-End DTI of 31%. The lender/investor shall follow steps 4, 5, and 6 to reduce the borrower's payment to the level corresponding to the Front-End DTI Target.

Step 4: Reduce the interest rate to reach the Front-End DTI Target (subject to a floor of 2%). The note rate should be reduced in increments of 0.125 %, and should bring the monthly payment as close as possible to the Front-End DTI Target without going below 31%. If the resulting modified interest rate is at or above the Interest Rate Cap, this modified interest rate will be the new note rate for the remaining loan term. If the resulting modified interest rate is below the Interest Rate Cap, this modified interest rate will be in effect for the first five years, followed by annual increases of 1% (100 basis points) per year or such lesser amount as may be needed until the interest rate reaches the Interest Rate Cap, at which time it will be fixed for the remaining loan term.

Step 5: If the Front-End DTI Target has not been reached, extend the term of the loan up to 40 years. If term extension is not permitted extend amortization. The 40-year term begins at the start of the modification (after the borrower successfully completes the Trial Period). Note that the servicer should only extend to a term that is necessary to reach the Front-End DTI Target; there is no requirement to extend to a 40-year term

Step 6: If the Front-End DTI Target has not been reached, forbear principal. If there is a principal forbearance amount, a balloon payment of that forbearance amount is due on the maturity date, upon sale of the property, or upon payoff of the interest bearing balance. If the modification does not pass the NPV Test and the servicer chooses to modify the loan, the modified balance must be no lower than the current property value.

Principal	
Reduction Option:	There is no requirement to use principal reduction under the Home Affordable Modification program; however, servicers may forgive principal to achieve the Front-End DTI Target.
	Principal forgiveness can be used on a standalone basis or before any step in the Standard Waterfall process. If principal forgiveness is used, subsequent steps in the Standard Waterfall may not be skipped. If principal is forgiven and the rate is not reduced, the rate will be frozen at its existing level and treated as a modified rate for the purposes of the Interest Rate Cap.
	In the event of principal forgiveness, the Payment Reduction Cost Share continues to be based on the change in the borrower's monthly payment from 38% to 31% Front-End DTI ratio and is limited to five years.

## **Modification Terms**

Interest Rate Floor:	The Interest Rate Floor for modified loans is 2%.
Interest Rate Cap:	The modified interest rate must remain in place for five years, after which time the interest rate will be gradually increased 1% (100 basis points) per year or such lesser amount as may be needed until it reaches the Interest Rate Cap.  The Interest Rate Cap for the modified loan is the lesser of (i) the fully
	indexed and fully amortizing original contractual rate or (ii) the Freddie Mac Primary Mortgage Market Survey rate for 30-year fixed rate conforming mortgage loans, rounded to the nearest 0.125%, as of the date that the modification document is prepared.
	If the modified rate exceeds the Freddie Mac Primary Mortgage Market Survey rate in effect on the date the modification document is prepared, the modified rate will be the new note rate for the remaining loan term.

Principal Forbearance:	No interest will accrue on the forbearance amount.  If the option to forebear principal is selected, the servicer shall forbear on collecting the deferred portion of the Capitalized Balance until the earliest of (i) the maturity of the modified loan, (ii) a sale of the property, or (iii) a pay-off or refinancing of the loan.
Redefaulting Loans:	A loan will be considered to have redefaulted when the borrower reaches a 90-day delinquency status under the MBA delinquency calculation. Redefaulting Loans will be terminated from the program, and no further payments of any kind will be made to the lender/investor, servicer, or borrower. Redefaulting Loans should be considered for other loss mitigation programs prior to being referred to foreclosure.

## **Approval Conditions**

Trial Period	
Required:	Successful completion of the trial modification period and entry into program agreements between the servicer and Treasury's financial agent are prerequisites for any payments to the lender/investor, servicer, or borrower.
	Modification is effective the first calendar month following the successful completion of the Trial Period. Successful completion means that the borrower is current (under the MBA delinquency calculation) at the end of the Trial Period.
	Borrowers in foreclosure restart states will be considered to have failed the Trial Period if they are not current at the time the foreclosure sale is scheduled.
	No payments under the program to the lender/investor, servicer, or borrower will be made during the Trial Period. No payments under the program to the lender/investor, servicer, or borrower will be made if the Trial Period is not completed successfully. No payments under the program to the lender/investor, servicer, or borrower will be made unless and until the servicer has entered into the program agreements with Treasury's financial agent.
Length of Trial Period:	The Trial Period will last 90 days (three payments at modified terms) or longer if necessary to comply with investor contractual obligations. The

	borrower must be current at the end of the Trial Period to obtain a Home Affordable Modification.
Escrows:	Servicers are required to escrow for modified borrowers' real estate taxes and mortgage-related insurance payments immediately if they have the capability of processing these payments or are already using a third-party vendor for this purpose. Servicers who do not have this capacity must implement an escrow process within six months of the program agreement.
Counseling Requirements:	For borrowers with a Back-End DTI of 55% or higher, the servicer must inform the borrower of the availability and advantages of counseling and provide a list of local HUD-approved counselors. The servicer must provide the borrower with a letter stating that counseling is a requirement of the modification terms. This letter may be required by counselors in order to begin counseling. The modification will not take effect until the borrower represents in writing that he or she will obtain counseling.
Assumable:	If the modified loan was assumable prior to modification, a Home Affordable Modification cancels this feature.

## Fees/Charges

Modification Fees and Charges to Borrower:	There are no modification fees or charges borne by the borrower.
Modification Fees and Charges Reimbursable by Investor:	Modification fees and charges to the servicer will be reimbursable by the investor. These include notary fees, property valuation and other required fees. Servicer reimbursement by the investor will take place within the normal process between the servicer and the investor.
Unpaid Late Fees Waived:	Unpaid late fees will be waived for the borrower. These include late fees prior to the start of the Trial Period and accrued during the period.
Credit Report:	The servicer will cover the cost of the credit report.

## Compensation

Commission	
Servicer Compensation:	Compensation is provided to the servicer that performs the loss mitigation or modification activities. Upon modification following successful completion of the Trial Period, and contingent on signing the program servicer agreement, the servicer will receive an incentive fee of \$1,000 for each eligible modification meeting Home Affordable Modification guidelines.
	Servicers will also receive Pay for Success fees – payable 12 months from the effective date of the Trial Period as long as the borrower continues in the program – of up to \$1,000 each year for three years. Servicers will no longer receive Pay for Success incentive payments for Redefaulting Loans or for loans that have paid off subject to certain de minimis constraints (discussed below).
	For loans modified while still current under the MBA delinquency calculation, the servicer will receive a Current Borrower One-Time Incentive of \$500 following successful completion of the Trial Period.
	Lenders that service their own loans are eligible for these incentives.  Throughout this document the term "servicer" means the party that is responsible for performing the modification activities.
	Similar incentives will be paid for Hope for Homeowner refinances.
Borrower Cash Contribution:	The investor may not require the borrower to contribute cash.
Lender/Investor Compensation:	Lenders/investors will be compensated only in the event that the Front-End DTI Target or a lower Front-End DTI is achieved. Lenders/investors will follow the Standard Waterfall specified above to reach a monthly payment that satisfies the Front-End DTI Target. As described above, Treasury will provide compensation based on one half of the dollar difference between the monthly payment for a 31% Front-End DTI Ratio and the lesser of (i) the monthly payment for a 38% Front-End DTI Ratio or (ii) the borrower's current monthly payment. This compensation will be provided for up to five years or until the loan is paid off.
	Upon a modification becoming effective following successful completion of the Trial Period by a borrower who was current prior to the start of the Trial Period, lenders/investors will be paid a \$1,500 Current Borrower One-Time Incentive, subject to certain <i>de minimis</i> constraints (discussed below).

No monthly lender/investor payments will be made during the Trial Period. Monthly lender/investor payments will begin after the Trial Period is successfully completed, the servicer signs a service agreement with Treasury, and formal modification begins. No monthly lender/investor payments will be made if the Trial Period is not completed successfully. **Borrower** Compensation: Borrowers will be eligible to accrue up to \$1,000 each year in Pay-for-Performance Success Payments for up to five years, a total of up to \$5,000 over five years, subject to certain de minimis constraints (discussed below). Accruals are based on on-time payment performance. The first annual principal balance reduction will be effective 12 months after entering the Trial Period as long as the borrower is not terminated from the program. In any given month, the borrower's mortgage payment must be made on time, accounting for standard servicer grace periods, in order to accrue the monthly Pay for Performance Success Payment. The borrower will receive information on a monthly basis regarding the accrual of these payments. The payment will be directed to the servicer, who will reduce the principal balance by the payment amount (but not by more than \$1,000 per year) for five years if the borrower continues in the program. Payments are to be applied directly and entirely to reduce the principal balance, and any applicable prepayment penalties on partial principal prepayment made by the government must be waived. The equivalent of three months of Pay-for-Performance Success Payments will be made upon successful completion of the Trial Period, contingent upon the servicer signing a service agreement with the Treasury. Borrowers who are terminated from the program lose their right to outstanding accruals. De Minimis **Constraint:** To qualify for servicer Pay for Success payments and borrower Pay for Performance Success Payments, the modification must reduce the monthly payment by a minimum of 6 %. The monthly payment is the PITIA payment, as used in defining DTI, with the loan fully indexed and fully amortized. When paid, servicer annual Pay for Success payments and borrower Pay for Performance Success Payments will be the lesser of (i) \$1,000 or (ii) half the reduction in the borrower's annualized monthly payment. The de minimis constraint does not apply to the up-front Servicer

Incentive Payment, the Payment Reduction Cost Share, or the Home
Price Depreciation Reserve Payment.

## **Consumer Protection**

Disclosure	When promoting or describing loan modifications, servicers should provide borrowers with information designed to help them understand the modification terms that are being offered and the modification process. Servicers also must provide borrowers with clear and understandable written information about the material terms, costs, and risks of the modified mortgage loan in a timely manner to enable borrowers to make informed decisions.
Fair Lending	Servicers' modifications under this program must comply with the Equal Credit Opportunity Act and the Fair Housing Act, which prohibit discrimination on a prohibited basis in connection with mortgage transactions. Loan modification programs are subject to the fair lending laws, and servicers and lenders should ensure that they do not treat a borrower less favorably than other borrowers on grounds such as race, religion, national origin, sex, marital or familial status, age, handicap, or receipt of public assistance income in connection with any loan modification. These laws also prohibit redlining.
Consumer Inquiries and Complaints	Servicers should have procedures and systems in place to be able to respond to inquiries and complaints relating to loan modifications.  Servicers should ensure that such inquiries and complaints are provided fair consideration, and timely and appropriate responses and resolution.

## **Monitoring**

Documentation:	Servicers will be required to maintain records of key data points for verification/compliance reviews. These documents may include, but are not limited to, borrower eligibility and qualification, underwriting criteria, and incentive payments. These documents also include a hardship affidavit, which every borrower is required to execute.
	Borrowers will be required to provide declarations under penalty of perjury attesting to the truth of the information that they have provided to the servicer to allow the servicer to determine the borrower's eligibility for entry into the Home Affordable Modification Program.

	Detailed guidance on data requirements will be released separately.
Anti-Fraud Measures:	Measures to prevent and detect fraud, such as documentation and audit requirements, will be described in the servicer guidelines and the program guidelines in the financial agency agreements with Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. Additional fraud protection measures will be
	Participating servicers and lenders/investors are not required to modify the loan if there is reasonable evidence indicating the borrower submitted false or misleading information or otherwise engaged in fraud in connection with the modification. Servicers should employ reasonable policies and/or procedures to identify fraud in the modification process.
Data Collection:	Servicers will be required to collect and transmit borrower and property data in order to ensure compliance with the program as well as to measure its effectiveness. Data elements may include data needed to perform underwriting analysis, loan modification and waterfall analysis, and modification terms. In addition, borrower profiles and property level information may be included. Detailed guidance on data requirements will be released separately.
Accounting and Legal:	The provisions of the Program should not be construed to override, void or in any way modify the responsibility of the management of lenders and servicers for preparing financial statements and regulatory reports in accordance with all applicable generally accepted accounting principles, including standards such as Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 15, Accounting by Debtors and Creditors for Troubled Debt Restructurings, SFAS No. 114, Accounting by Creditors for Impairment of a Loan, SFAS No. 133, Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities, SFAS No. 140, Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities, and AICPA Statement of Position 03-3, Accounting for Certain Loans or Debt Securities Acquired in a Transfer, and their related amendments and interpretations.

## **Other Program Features**

Home Price	
Depreciation	To encourage lenders/investors to modify more mortgages, compensation
Payments:	will be provided to partially offset probable losses from home price
	declines. This will be structured as a simple cash payment on each
	modified loan while the loan remains active in the program.

Payments for Short Sales and Deeds-in- Lieu:	Compensation will be provided to servicers and borrowers in order to facilitate short sales or deeds-in-lieu in those cases in which borrowers either fail the net present value (NPV) test (described below) or fail to qualify for, or default under, the modification program.
Second Lien Elimination Payments:	To reduce the borrower's overall indebtedness and improve loan performance, additional incentives will be provided to extinguish junior liens on homes with first-lien loans that are modified under the program.
Government Loan Programs:	FHA, VA and rural housing loans will be addressed through standalone modification programs run by those agencies. FHA's Hope for Homeowners refinancing program will also be included in a parallel incentive program.

## **Net Present Value Model Parameters**

NPV Test:	An NPV Test will be required on each loan that is in Imminent Default or is at least 60 days delinquent under the MBA delinquency calculation. This NPV test will compare the net present value (NPV) of cash flows expected from a modification to the net present value of cash flows expected in the absence of modification. If the NPV of the modification scenario is greater, the NPV result is deemed positive, and the servicer must modify the loan (absent fraud, etc.) However, an "NPV positive" result is not necessary to qualify a loan for a Home Affordable Modification and the associated lender/investor, servicer, and borrower payments.
Standard NPV Model:	To provide a consistent and industry-wide approach to the required NPV Tests, Treasury will set forth a Standard NPV Model with parameters specified below. Complete details on each component outlined below are forthcoming.
Discount Rate:	The program allows the servicer to choose the Discount Rate to use in the NPV Model, subject to a program-determined ceiling that will be sensitive to the market-determined cost of funds. The ceiling on the allowable Discount Rate for the NPV Test is the Freddie Mac Primary Mortgage Market Survey rate (PMMS), plus a spread of 2.5 percentage points. The PMMS is the conventional mortgage rate published in the Federal Reserve's H.15 bulletin.
	The servicer may choose a different Discount Rate for loans in portfolio versus loans in investor pools, but may not otherwise apply different rates to different loans in the servicing book. For example, it may choose to use a Discount Rate equal to the PMMS + 2.0 percent for its investor pools and a Discount Rate equal to the PMMS for its loans in portfolio.
Cure Rate and Redefault Rate:	The Cure Rates and Redefault Rates will be obtained from a default equation with parameters based on GSE analytics and program portfolio data except where servicers use custom parameters (see below).  Treasury, in consultation with an inter-agency team of government officials, will update these tables periodically based on incoming data.
Property Value:	Property value will be determined in accordance with the Guidelines.

Incentive Payments:	Incentive payments, including the Payment Reduction Cost Share, annual borrower performance bonus payments toward principal, and Current Borrower One-Time Bonus Incentive, will be determined in accordance with the Guidelines.
Other Parameters:	The remaining parameters will come from data sets held or produced by the Federal Housing Finance Agency: home price forecast, valuation of the house price depreciation reserve, foreclosure timelines, and foreclosure costs and REO stigma
NPV Test Customization:	Servicers having at least a \$40 billion servicing book will have an option to substitute a set of Cure Rates and Redefault Rates estimated based on the experience of their own aggregate portfolios. A servicer using this option should take into account, as feasible, current LTV, current DTI, current credit score, delinquency status, and other relevant variables the servicer identifies.
	The Cure and Redefault Rates must be empirically validated where possible. Servicer judgment regarding the effect of DTI is expected, given the limited data available and the likelihood that the new program will materially affect Cure and Redefault Rates. However, all assumptions must be tested as program data become available and revised as appropriate.
	A servicer who chooses to use customized Cure and Redefault Rates must apply the same assumptions for Cure and Redefault Rate to the entire servicing portfolio, without distinguishing between loans in portfolio and investor pools.
·	Models and assumptions will be subject to review by federal bank supervisory agencies where applicable, and in all cases by Freddie Mac as program compliance agent.
	A servicer not meeting the size threshold may apply for permission to apply Cure Rates and Redefault Rates estimated based on the servicer's portfolio experience.
Mortgage Insurance:	For loans that have mortgage insurance (MI) coverage, the NPV Test will incorporate the value of the contingent claim payment in the event of default when evaluating projected foreclosure or modification scenarios. If the modification does not pass the NPV Test, then it will be referred to the appropriate MI company. The major MI companies have agreed to develop a mechanism by which they will pay partial claims where they deem appropriate to avoid foreclosure.

# EXHIBIT C

## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY Washington March 4, 2009

#### Making Home Affordable Summary of Guidelines

Making Home Affordable will offer assistance to as many as 7 to 9 million homeowners, making their mortgages more affordable and helping to prevent the destructive impact of foreclosures on families, communities and the national economy.

The Home Affordable Refinance program will be available to 4 to 5 million homeowners who have a solid payment history on an existing mortgage owned by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac. Normally, these borrowers would be unable to refinance because their homes have lost value, pushing their current loan-to-value ratios above 80%. Under the Home Affordable Refinance program, many of them will now be eligible to refinance their loan to take advantage of today's lower mortgage rates or to refinance an adjustable-rate mortgage into a more stable mortgage, such as a 30-year fixed rate loan.

GSE lenders and servicers already have much of the borrower's information on file, so documentation requirements are not likely to be burdensome. In addition, in some cases an appraisal will not be necessary. This flexibility will make the refinance quicker and less costly for both borrowers and lenders. The Home Affordable Refinance program ends in June 2010.

The *Home Affordable Modification* program will help up to 3 to 4 million at-risk homeowners avoid foreclosure by reducing monthly mortgage payments. Working with the banking and credit union regulators, the FHA, the VA, the USDA and the Federal Housing Finance Agency, the Treasury Department today announced program guidelines that are expected to become standard industry practice in pursuing affordable and sustainable mortgage modifications. This program will work in tandem with an expanded and improved Hope for Homeowners program.

With the information now available, servicers can begin immediately to modify eligible mortgages under the Modification program so that at-risk borrowers can better afford their payments. The detailed guidelines (separate document) provide information on the following:

#### **Eligibility and Verification**

- Loans originated on or before January 1, 2009.
- First-lien loans on owner-occupied properties with unpaid principal balance up to \$729,750. Higher limits allowed for owner-occupied properties with 2-4 units.
- All borrowers must fully document income, including signed IRS 4506-T, two most recent pay stubs, and most recent tax return, and must sign an affidavit of financial hardship.
- Property owner occupancy status will be verified through borrower credit report and other documentation; no investor-owned, vacant, or condemned properties.
- Incentives to lenders and servicers to modify at risk borrowers who have not yet missed payments when the servicer determines that the borrower is at imminent risk of default.
- Modifications can start from now until December 31, 2012; loans can be modified only once under the program.

#### Loan Modification Terms and Procedures

- Participating servicers are required to service all eligible loans under the rules of the program
  unless explicitly prohibited by contract; servicers are required to use reasonable efforts to obtain
  waivers of limits on participation.
- Participating loan servicers will be required to use a net present value (NPV) test on each loan
  that is at risk of imminent default or at least 60 days delinquent. The NPV test will compare the
  net present value of cash flows with modification and without modification. If the test is positive

- meaning that the net present value of expected cash flow is greater in the modification scenario
  the servicer must modify absent fraud or a contract prohibition.
- Parameters of the NPV test are spelled out in the guidelines, including acceptable discount rates, property valuation methodologies, home price appreciation assumptions, foreclosure costs and timelines, and borrower cure and redefault rate assumptions.
- Servicers will follow a specified sequence of steps in order to reduce the monthly payment to no more than 31% of gross monthly income (DTI).
- The modification sequence requires first reducing the interest rate (subject to a rate floor of 2%), then if necessary extending the term or amortization of the loan up to a maximum of 40 years, and then if necessary forbearing principal. Principal forgiveness or a Hope for Homeowners refinancing are acceptable alternatives.
- The monthly payment includes principal, interest, taxes, insurance, flood insurance, homeowner's association and/or condominium fees. Monthly income includes wages, salary, overtime, fees, commissions, tips, social security, pensions, and all other income.
- Servicers must enter into the program agreements with Treasury's financial agent on or before December 31, 2009.

#### Payments to Servicers, Lenders, and Responsible Borrowers

- The program will share with the lender/investor the cost of reductions in monthly payments from 38% DTI to 31% DTI.
- Servicers that modify loans according to the guidelines will receive an up-front fee of \$1,000 for each modification, plus "pay for success" fees on still-performing loans of \$1,000 per year.
- Homeowners who make their payments on time are eligible for up to \$1,000 of principal reduction payments each year for up to five years.
- The program will provide one-time bonus incentive payments of \$1,500 to lender/investors and \$500 to servicers for modifications made while a borrower is still current on mortgage payments.
- The program will include incentives for extinguishing second liens on loans modified under this program.
- No payments will be made under the program to the lender/investor, servicer, or borrower unless
  and until the servicer has first entered into the program agreements with Treasury's financial
  agent.
- Similar incentives will be paid for Hope for Homeowner refinances.

#### Transparency and Accountability

- Measures to prevent and detect fraud, such as documentation and audit requirements, will be central to the program.
- Servicers will be required to collect, maintain and transmit records for verification and compliance review, including borrower eligibility, underwriting, incentive payments, property verification, and other documentation.
- Freddie Mac will audit compliance.