

or exposures to harmful substances which may occur to the accompanying individual during the inspection and will assume no liability for any incidents associated with the accompaniment.

- The State observer will be expected to adhere to the same conduct as NRC inspectors during an inspection accompaniment.
- If the State observer notices any apparent non-conformance with safety or regulatory requirements during the inspection, he/she will make those observations promptly known to the NRC team leader or lead inspector. Likewise, when overall conclusions or views of the State observer are substantially different from those of the NRC inspectors, the State will advise the team leader or lead inspector and forward those views, in writing, to the NRC Region. This will allow NRC to take any necessary regulatory actions.
- Under no circumstances should State communications regarding these inspections be released to the public or the licensee before they are reviewed by the NRC and the inspection report is issued. State communications may be made publicly available, similar to NRC inspection reports, after they have been transmitted to and reviewed by NRC.

#### Adjacent State Protocol

- An adjacent State is a State within the plume exposure pathway emergency planning zone (EPZ) (within approximately a 10-mile radius) of an NRC-licensed facility located in another State. A host State is a State in which an NRC-licensed facility is located. An adjacent State may request permission to observe NRC inspections at an NRC-licensed facility in a host State.
- The adjacent State SLO must communicate his/her request for observation to the Regional Administrator for the region in which the facility is located.
- The adjacent State SLO must also observe NRC inspections at the host State SLO so that each State is aware of the other's intentions.
- If a host State and an adjacent State request observation of the same inspection, the Regional Administrator will make the final determination on the number of State observers who may attend the inspection. If there is a need to limit the number of observers, the Regional Administrator will routinely give preference to the host State observers.
- Adjacent State observers will abide by the same protocol in all aspects of the inspection as host States under this agreement.

Signature of State Observer

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## FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE BOARD

### 12 CFR Part 900

[92-64]

#### Delegation of Authority to Issue Consolidated Obligations

**AGENCY:** Federal Housing Finance Board.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Housing Finance Board (Finance Board) is amending its regulations relating to Delegation of Authority to the Office of Finance. The purpose of this action is to amend the delegation of authority to issue Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLBank) consolidated debentures, bonds or notes (consolidated obligations) on behalf of the Finance Board under section 11 of the Federal Home Loan Bank Act (Bank Act) (12 U.S.C. 1431). This amendment reflects the new structure of the Office of Finance.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** February 13, 1992.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Charles Szenker, Attorney, Office of General Counsel, Federal Housing Finance Board, 1777 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20006.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### 1. Overview

The Bank Act authorizes the Finance Board to issue FHLBank consolidated obligations. The proceeds raised by issuing the consolidated obligations are used by the FHLBanks to make advances to their members. The members in turn use those funds to facilitate housing finance. See 12 U.S.C. 1431 (b) and (c) (Supp. I 1989). The Finance Board delegates the ministerial duties of selling the obligations to the Office of Finance, a joint office of the Federal Home Loan Banks, created pursuant to section 2B(b)(2) of the Bank Act (12 U.S.C. 1422b(b)(2) (Supp. I 1989)).

This delegation to the Office of Finance is memorialized in a regulation. 58 FR 67158 (Dec. 30, 1991) (12 CFR 900.30). Specifically, that provision delegated the authority to the Director of the Office of Finance. The Finance Board recently promulgated regulations reorganizing the Office of Finance. See 57 FR 2832 (Jan. 24, 1992) (12 CFR 941.1-941.12). Consequently, the authority to issue the consolidated obligations will be specifically delegated to a newly created Office of Finance Board of Directors. This rule is a technical amendment to the Finance Board's regulations to reflect the new structure of the Office of Finance, and does not alter the recent reorganization of the

Office of Finance or the existing rights of holders of FHLBank consolidated obligations.

##### 2. Prior Delegations of Authority

Section 401(h)(2) of the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989, which replaced the former FHLBB with the Finance Board as the regulatory overseer of the FHLBanks, provided that all FHLBB resolutions and orders continued in effect until superseded by the Finance Board. 103 Stat. 183, 358 (1989) codified at 12 U.S.C. 1437 note. The Finance Board has relied on this authority to continue in effect all the delegations of authority to the Office of Finance issued by either the FHLBB's three member governing Board or by FHLBB Chairman's Orders. This regulation is intended to be the complete codification of the delegation of duties to the Office of Finance. Accordingly, all FHLBB resolutions and all FHLBB Chairman's Orders purporting to delegate any authority to the Office of Finance are superseded and void, effective as of the first meeting of the Office of Finance Board of Directors.

##### Administrative Procedures Act

The Finance Board is adopting this regulation as a final rule, effective on February 13, 1992. The Finance Board notes that the notice and comment requirements of the Administrative Procedures Act ("APA") (5 U.S.C. 553) may be suspended when the agency finds good cause that such requirements are unnecessary and incorporates its finding with the rulemaking. 5 U.S.C. at 553(b)(3)(B).

The Finance Board finds that notice and comment are unnecessary for two reasons. First, this regulation is a technical amendment that does not affect the rights of any member of the public. Second, the public already has received an opportunity to comment on issues raised in the Office of Finance restructuring since the regulation that created its Board of Directors provides for a comment period. See 57 FR 2832 (Jan. 24, 1992). The delegation created by this rulemaking does not raise any additional issues so no additional comment period is necessary.

##### Regulatory Flexibility Act

Because no notice of proposed rulemaking is required for this rulemaking, the provisions of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*) do not apply.

**List of Subjects in 12 CFR Part 900**

Organization and functions (Government agencies).

Accordingly, the Finance Board amends subpart C of part 900 of its general regulations, at chapter IX, title 12, Code of Federal Regulations, as follows:

1. The Authority citation for part 900 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 552; sec. 2B(a), as added by sec. 702(a), 103 Stat. 414 (1989) (12 U.S.C. 1422b(a)).

2. Section 900.30 is revised to read as follows:

**§ 900.30 Office of Finance Board of Directors.**

(a) *Consolidated obligations.* Subject to Finance Board regulations, resolutions or policies, the Office of Finance Board of Directors is delegated the authority:

(1) To issue through the Office of Finance the Federal Home Loan Bank consolidated debentures, bonds or notes pursuant to the Finance Board's authority under section 11 of the Bank Act (12 U.S.C. 1431); and

(2) To determine their denominations, interest rate and terms.

(b) *Treasury policy.* The Office of Finance Board of Directors shall implement this delegation in accordance with the policies and guidelines issued by the Secretary of the Treasury under section 9108 of title 31 of the United States Code (31 U.S.C. 9108).

By the Federal Housing Finance Board.

Dated: February 13, 1992.

Daniel F. Evans, Jr.,

Chairman.

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 97

[Docket No. 26778; Amdt. No. 1479]

Standard Instrument Approach Procedures: Miscellaneous Amendments

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This amendment establishes, amends, suspends, or revokes Standard Instrument Approach Procedures

(SIAPs) for operations at certain airports. These regulatory actions are needed because of changes occurring in the National Airspace System, such as the commissioning of new navigational facilities, addition of new obstacles, or changes in air traffic requirements. These changes are designed to provide safe and efficient use of the navigable airspace and to promote safe flight operations under instrument flight rules at the affected airports.

**DATES:** Effective: An effective date for each SIAP is specified in the amendatory provisions.

Incorporation by reference—approved by the Director of the Federal Register on December 31, 1990, and reapproved as of January 1, 1992.

**ADDRESSES:** Availability of matter incorporated by reference in the amendment is as follows:

For Examination—

1. FAA Rules Docket, FAA Headquarters Building, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591;

2. The FAA Regional Office of the region in which affected airport is located; or

3. The Flight Inspection Field Office which originated the SIAP.

For Purchase—

Individual SIAP copies may be obtained from:

1. FAA Public Inquiry Center (APA-200), FAA Headquarters Building, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591; or

2. The FAA Regional Office of the region in which the affected airport is located.

By Subscription—

Copies of all SIAPs, mailed once every 2 weeks, are for sale by the Superintendent of Documents, US Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul J. Best, Flight Procedures Standards Branch (AFS-420), Technical Programs Division, Flight Standards Service, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591; telephone (202) 267-8277.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This amendment to part 97 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 97) establishes, amends, suspends, or revokes Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPs). The complete regulatory description on each SIAP is contained in the appropriate FAA Form

8260 and the National Flight Data Center (FDC)/Permanent (P) Notices to Airmen (NOTAM) which are incorporated by reference in the amendment under 5 U.S.C. 552(a), 1 CFR part 51, and § 97.20 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (FAR). Materials incorporated by reference are available for examination or purchase as stated above.

The large number of SIAPs, their complex nature, and the need for a special format make their verbatim publication in the Federal Register expensive and impractical. Further, airmen do not use the regulatory text of the SIAPs, but refer to their graphic depiction on charts printed by publishers of aeronautical materials. Thus, the advantages of incorporation by reference are realized and publication of the complete description of each SIAP contained in FAA form documents is unnecessary. The Provisions of this amendment state the affected CFR (and FAR) sections, with the types and effective dates of the SIAPs. This amendment also identifies the airport, its location, the procedure identification and the amendment number.

**The Rule**

This amendment to part 97 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 97) establishes, amends, suspends, or revokes SIAPs. For safety and timeliness of change considerations, this amendment incorporates only specific changes contained in the content of the following FDC/P NOTAM for each SIAP. The SIAP information in some previously designated FDC/Temporary (FDC/T) NOTAMs is of such duration as to be permanent. With conversion to FDC/P NOTAMs, the respective FDC/T NOTAMs have been cancelled.

The FDC/P NOTAMs for the SIAPs contained in this amendment are based on the criteria contained in the U.S. Standard for Terminal Instrument Approach Procedures (TERPs). In developing these chart changes to SIAPs by FDC/P NOTAMs, the TERPs criteria were applied to only the specific conditions existing at the affected airports.

This amendment to part 97 is effective upon publication of each separate SIAP as contained in the transmittal. All SIAP amendments in this rule have been previously issued by the FAA in a National Flight Data Center (FDC) Notice to Airmen (NOTAM) as an emergency action of immediate flight