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FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

[OMB No. 3064-0109]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection Renewal; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

ACTION: Notice and request for comment.

SUMMARY: The FDIC, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the renewal of an existing information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA). Currently, the FDIC is soliciting comment on renewal of the information collection described below.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before **[INSERT DATE 60 DAYS FROM PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties are invited to submit written comments to the FDIC by any of the following methods:

- <https://www.FDIC.gov/regulations/laws/federal>.

- Email: comments@fdic.gov. Include the name and number of the collection in the subject line of the message.
- Mail: Manny Cabeza (202-898-3767), Counsel, MB-3007, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, 550 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20429.
- Hand Delivery: Comments may be hand-delivered to the guard station at the rear of the 17th Street Building (located on F Street), on business days between 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

All comments should refer to OMB control number 3064-0109. A copy of the comments may also be submitted to the OMB desk officer for the FDIC: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Manny Cabeza, Counsel, 202-898-3767, mcabeza@FDIC.gov, MB-3007, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, 550 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20429.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Proposal to renew the following currently approved collection of information:

Title: Notice of Branch Closure.

OMB Number: 3064-0109.

Form Number: None.

Affected Public: Insured depository institutions.

Burden Estimate:

Summary of Annual Burden

	Type of Burden	Obligation to Respond	Estimated Number of Respondents	Estimated Time per Response	Frequency of Response	Average Total Annual Estimated Burden
Adoption of Closure Policy	Recordkeeping	Mandatory	23	8 hours	One time	184 hours
Notice of Closure	Disclosure	Mandatory	683	2 hours	One time	1,366 hours
Total Estimated Annual Burden						1,550 hours

General Description of Collection: Section 42 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act mandates that an insured depository institution closing a branch notify its primary federal regulator not later than 90 days prior to the closing. The statute also provides that a notice be posted on the premises of the branch for the 30-day period immediately prior to the closing and that the customers be notified in a mailing at least 90 days prior to the closing. Each insured depository institution that has one or more branches is required to adopt a written policy for branch closings.

Burden Estimate Methodology and Assumptions:

There are no changes in the methodology or substance of this information collection. FDIC believes that the existing estimate of the time required to develop a written branch closure policy and to provide the required branch closure notices is accurate. The number of branch closure notifications is closely related to the number of branches closed, while the number of closure policy adoptions equals the number newly chartered branch banking institutions and the number of

existing banking institutions that transition from having no branches to having at least one branch. To derive an estimate of average annual branch closure notifications, FDIC Risk Management Supervision (RMS) staff counted the number of full-service standalone and in-store branches that closed between 2015 and 2017. In addition, FDIC staff count the number of newly chartered branch banking institutions and the number of institutions that transitioned from having no branches to having at least one branch. FDIC records reflect that there were 683 branch closures, on average, each year between 2015 and 2017. FDIC estimates that an average of 23 institutions each year will transition from having no branches to having at least one branch.

Request for Comment

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the FDIC's functions, including whether the information has practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the estimates of the burden of the information collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated at Washington, DC, on April 25, 2018.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Robert E. Feldman,

Executive Secretary.

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