DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of the Comptroller of the Currency

Agency Information Collection Activities: Information Collection Renewal;

Submission for OMB Review Risk-Based Capital Standards

AGENCY: Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comment.

SUMMARY: The OCC, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on the renewal of an information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA). An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a respondent is not required to respond to, an information collection unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. The OCC is soliciting comment concerning renewal of its information collection titled, “Risk-Based Capital Standards.”

The OCC also is giving notice that it has sent the collection to OMB for review.

DATES: Comments must be submitted by [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Commenters are encouraged to submit comments by e-mail, if possible.

You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- E-mail: prainfo@occ.treas.gov.
- Hand Delivery/Courier: 400 7th Street, SW., suite 3E-218, Washington, DC 20219.
Instructions: You must include “OCC” as the agency name and “1557-0318” in your comment. In general, the OCC will publish comments on www.reginfo.gov without change, including any business or personal information provided, such as name and address information, e-mail addresses, or phone numbers. Comments received, including attachments and other supporting materials, are part of the public record and subject to public disclosure. Do not include any information in your comment or supporting materials that you consider confidential or inappropriate for public disclosure.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review – Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

You may review comments and other related materials that pertain to this information collection\(^1\) following the close of the 30-day comment period for this notice by the following method:

- Viewing Comments Electronically: Go to www.reginfo.gov. Click on the “Information Collection Review” tab. Underneath the “Currently under Review” section heading, from the drop-down menu select “Department of Treasury” and then click “submit.” This information collection can be located by searching by OMB control number “1557-0318” or “Risk-Based Capital Standards.” Upon finding the appropriate information collection, click on the related “ICR Reference Number.” On the next screen, select “View Supporting Statement and Other Documents” and then click on the link to any comment listed at the bottom of the screen.
- For assistance in navigating www.reginfo.gov, please contact the Regulatory Information Service Center at (202) 482-7340.

\(^1\) On September 24, 2020 the OCC published a 60-day notice for this information collection, 85 FR 60281.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:  Shaquita Merritt, Clearance Officer, (202) 649-5490, Chief Counsel’s Office, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC  20219.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:  Under the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the OMB for each collection of information that they conduct or sponsor. “Collection of information” is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c) to include agency requests or requirements that members of the public submit reports, keep records, or provide information to a third party. The OCC asks that OMB renew its approval of the information collection contained in this document.

Title:  Risk-Based Capital Standards.

OMB Control No.:  1557-0318.

Affected Public:  Businesses or other for-profit.

Type of Review:  Regular.

Abstract:  The OCC is seeking to renew the emergency approval granted for an addition to the OCC’s Risk-Based Capital information collection. The addition was made necessary by an interim final rule that introduced a new notice opt-in requirement and a requirement for prior approval for distributions. A national bank or Federal savings association, when calculating on-balance sheet assets as of each day of a reporting quarter for purposes of determining the national bank’s or Federal savings association’s total leverage exposure, may (on a temporary basis) exclude the balance sheet carrying value of U.S. Treasury securities and funds on deposit at a Federal Reserve Bank. Before applying this relief, a national bank or Federal savings association must first notify the OCC. During the calendar quarter beginning on July 1, 2020 and

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2 Regulatory Capital Rule: Temporary Exclusion of U.S. Treasury Securities and Deposits at Federal Reserve Banks from the Supplementary Leverage Ratio for Depository Institutions, 85 FR 32980 (June 1, 2020).
continuing until March 31, 2021, no national bank or Federal savings association that has
opted into this relief may make a distribution, or create an obligation to make such a
distribution, without prior OCC approval.

Burden Estimates:

Estimated Number of Respondents: 2.

Estimated Annual Burden: 24 hours.

On September 24, 2020, the OCC issued a notice for 60 days of comment concerning
the collection, 85 FR 60281. No comments were received. Comments continued to be
invited on:

(a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance
of the functions of the OCC, including whether the information has practical utility;
(b) The accuracy of the OCC's estimate of the information collection burden;
(c) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be
collected;
(d) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection on respondents, including
through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information
technology; and
(e) Estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and
purchase of services to provide information.

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