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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

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Emergency Capital Investment Program; Notice of Investment Availability

AGENCY: Emergency Capital Investment
Program, Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: Notice of investment
availability.

SUMMARY: This NOIA is published in connection with the Emergency Capital Investment Program (ECIP), administered by the U.S. Department of the Treasury (Treasury). Through this NOIA, Treasury announces the availability of up to approximately \$340 million in funding. Established by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, the ECIP was created to encourage low- and moderate-income community financial institutions to augment their efforts to support small businesses and consumers in their communities. Under the program, Treasury will provide up to \$8.7 billion in capital directly to depository institutions that are certified community development financial institutions (CDFIs) or minority depository institutions (MDIs) to, among other things, provide loans, grants, and forbearance for small businesses, minority-owned businesses, and consumers, especially in low-income and underserved communities, that may be disproportionately impacted by the economic effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. Treasury previously invested a total of approximately \$8.34 billion and may invest up to an additional approximately \$340 million. This is the second round of ECIP funding available.

DATES: Low- and moderate-income community financial institutions may submit applications for investment starting on the date of publication of this Notice of Investment Availability (NOIA). In order to be considered for investment, applications must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time (ET) on January 31, 2023.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For more information, please see Treasury's ECIP website at [https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/coronavirus/assistance-for-small-businesses/emergency-capital-](https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/coronavirus/assistance-for-small-businesses/emergency-capital-investment-program)

investment-program. Any terms not defined in this NOIA are defined under 12 U.S.C. 4703a or the ECIP Application Forms and Instructions, as applicable.

Form of Application: Electronic application via the ECIP portal is required. As of the date of this NOIA, a copy of the ECIP Application Form and Instructions is available on the ECIP website at <https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/coronavirus/assistance-for-small-businesses/emergency-capital-investment-program>. Additional resources available on the ECIP website include application FAQs, forms of legal documents, information on how applications will be evaluated, and other information. Note that the displayed version of the application cannot be submitted for consideration. Applicants must use the application form available via the ECIP portal.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Meyer, Program Manager, Emergency Capital Investment Program, (202) 819-3127, ECIP@treasury.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Annual Certification and Data Collection Report Form and the Abbreviated Transaction Level Report

AGENCY: Departmental Offices,
Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: Notice of information collection;
request for comment.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury will submit the following information requests to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, on or after the date of publication of this notice. The public is invited to submit comments on these requests.

DATES: Comments should be received on or before January 13, 2023 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: 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.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Copies of the submissions may be obtained from Melody Braswell by emailing PRA@treasury.gov, calling (202) 622-1035, or viewing the entire information collection request at www.reginfo.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

CDFI Fund

Title: Annual Certification and Data Collection Report Form and the abbreviated Transaction Level Report.

OMB Control Number: 1559-0046.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Description: A Certified Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) is a specialized financial institution that works in markets that are underserved by traditional financial institutions and provide a range of Financial Products and Financial Services in economically distressed Target Markets. CDFIs include regulated institutions such as community development banks and credit unions, and non-regulated institutions such as loan and venture capital funds. CDFI Certification is a designation conferred by the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund (CDFI Fund) and is a requirement for accessing various CDFI Fund programs. A financial institution seeking to become a Certified CDFI and qualify to apply for assistance from the CDFI Fund must complete the CDFI Certification Application (OMB Control Number 1559-0028). CDFI Certification and the Annual Certification and Data Collection Report (ACR) are requirements of Certified CDFIs. The Transaction Level Report (TLR) is a requirement of CDFIs that receive Financial Assistance (FA) awards from the CDFI Fund.

The CDFI Fund is authorized by the Riegle Community Development Banking and Financial Institutions Act of 1994 (Pub. L. 103-325, 12 U.S.C. 4701 *et seq.*) (the Act). The regulations governing CDFI Certification are found at 12 CFR. 1805.201 (the Regulations). The significance of CDFI Certification has increased over the years, as the CDFI Certification status has come to serve as a qualifier for other federal government and private sector resources and benefits. Beginning in January 2017, through the issuance of a Request for Information, the CDFI Fund sought to review and update the CDFI Certification policies and procedures to ensure they continue to meet the statutory and regulatory requirements,

are responsive to the evolving nature of the CDFI industry, and protect government resources. In May 2020, the CDFI Fund requested public comment on proposed revisions to the CDFI Certification Application (Application) and reporting requirements for Certified CDFIs, including the introduction of the Certification Transaction Level Report (CTLR). As a result of comments received during that public comment period, the CDFI Fund made additional revisions to the existing ACR, the new CTLR and proposed Certification Application.

The revised ACR, new CTLR, certification policies, and Application attempt both to provide the flexibility necessary for CDFIs to grow and to serve the hardest to reach distressed communities, and to maintain the integrity of what it means to be a Certified CDFI from a mission perspective. In addition, where existing policy was considered appropriate, changes were made to the Application and guidance to provide greater transparency and clarity around the criteria that entities must meet to obtain and maintain CDFI Certification.

Form: Annual Certification and Data Collection Report.

Affected Public: Certified CDFIs.

Estimated Number of ACR

Respondents: 1,460.

Estimated Annual Time per ACR

Respondent: 14 hours.

Estimated Total ACR Annual Burden Hours: 20,440 hours.

Form: abbreviated Transaction Level Report.

Affected Public: Non-Financial Assistance Certified CDFIs seeking Recertification (597) and new Certification Applicants (150).

Estimated Number of abbreviated TLR Respondents: 747.

Estimated Annual Time per

abbreviated TLR Respondent: 10 hours.

Estimated Total abbreviated TLR Annual Burden Hours: 7,470 hours.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Solicitation of Nominations for Appointment to the Advisory Committee on Structural Safety of Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Facilities

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), Office of Construction and Facilities Management, is seeking nominations of qualified candidates to be considered for appointment to the Advisory Committee on Structural Safety of Department Facilities (“the Committee”).

DATES: Nominations for membership on the Committee must be received no later than 5 p.m. EST on December 30, 2022.

ADDRESSES: All nominations should be submitted to Mr. Juan Archilla by email at juan.archilla@va.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Juan Archilla, Office of Construction & Facilities Management (CFM), Department of Veterans Affairs, via email at juan.archilla@va.gov, or via telephone at (202) 632-5967. A copy of the Committee charter and list of the current membership can be obtained by contacting Mr. Archilla or by accessing the website: http://www.va.gov/ADVISORY/Advisory_Committee_on_Structural_Safety_of_Department_of_Veterans_Affairs_facilities_Statutory.asp.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In carrying out the duties set forth, the Committee responsibilities include:

(1) Providing advice to the Secretary of VA on all matters of structural safety in the construction and altering of medical facilities and recommending standards for use by VA in the construction and alteration of facilities.

(2) Reviewing of appropriate State and local laws, ordinances, building codes, climatic and seismic conditions, relevant existing information, and current research.

(3) Recommending changes to the current VA standards for structural safety, on a state or regional basis.

(4) Recommending the engagement of the services of other experts or consultants to assist in preparing reports on present knowledge in specific technical areas.

(5) Reviewing of questions regarding the application of codes and standards and making recommendations regarding new and existing facilities when requested to do so by VA.

Authority: The Committee was established in accordance with 38 U.S.C. 8105, to provide advice to the Secretary on all matters of structural safety in the construction and altering of medical facilities and recommends standards for use by VA in the construction and alteration of facilities. Nominations of qualified candidates are being sought to fill current and upcoming vacancies on the Committee.

Membership Criteria and Professional Qualifications: CFM is requesting

nominations for current and upcoming vacancies on the Committee. The Committee is composed of approximately five members, in addition to ex-officio members. The Committee is required to include at least one architect and one structural engineer who are experts in structural resistance to fire, earthquake, and other natural disasters and who are not employees of the Federal Government. To satisfy this requirement and ensure the Committee has the expertise to fulfill its statutory objectives, VA seeks nominees from the following professions at this time:

(1) *Fire Safety Engineer:* Candidate must be an expert in fire protection engineering and building codes and standards, in particular related to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA). A practicing, licensed Professional Engineer with expert knowledge in fire protection systems and experience with life safety requirements is required;

(2) *Geotechnical Engineer:* Candidate must be an expert in earthquake geotechnical engineering and foundation engineering, with experience in the topics of liquefaction, earthquake ground motions, soil-structure interaction, and soil improvement. A practicing, licensed Professional Engineer with a focus on geotechnical engineering is required; and

(3) *Research Structural Engineer:* Candidate must have experience leading experimental and/or computational research in the field of structural engineering to advance building structural performance and/or design methods against natural disasters, such as earthquakes, fire, hurricanes, tornados, etc.

Prior experience serving on nationally recognized professional and technical committees is also desired.

Requirements for Nomination

Submission: Nominations should be type written (one nomination per nominator). Nomination package should include: (1) a letter of nomination that clearly states the name and affiliation of the nominee, the basis for the nomination (*i.e.* specific attributes which qualify the nominee for service in this capacity), and a statement from the nominee indicating a willingness to serve as a member of the Committee; (2) the nominee’s contact information, including name, mailing address, telephone numbers, and email address; (3) the nominee’s curriculum vitae, and (4) a summary of the nominee’s experience and qualification relative to the *professional qualifications* criteria listed above.