

**Supporting Statement for the
Savings and Loan Holding Company Registration Statement
(FR LL-10(b); OMB No. 7100-0337)**

Summary

The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Board), under delegated authority from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), proposes to extend for three years, with revision, the mandatory Savings and Loan Holding Company Registration Statement (FR LL-10(b); OMB No. 7100-0337). The FR LL-10(b) is used to collect information from a newly-formed savings and loan holding company (SLHC). The form also collects information concerning any changes to intercompany relationships since approval of the holding company application. The current annual reporting burden for the FR LL-10(b) is estimated to be 24 hours and would remain unchanged with the proposed revisions.

Background and Justification

Section 10(b)(1) of the Home Owners' Loan Act, as amended (HOLA), 12 U.S.C. § 1467a(b)(1) and 12 CFR section 238.4(c) provide that each SLHC is required to register with the Federal Reserve within 90 days of becoming an SLHC. The Federal Reserve may extend the time within which an SLHC is required to register. An SLHC registers with the Federal Reserve by filing the FR LL-10(b). Once an SLHC has filed the FR LL-10(b), it is not required to file an additional registration statement upon acquisition of additional savings associations.

Description of the Information Collection

The FR LL-10(b) includes information on the financial condition, ownership, operations, management, and intercompany relationships of the SLHC and its subsidiaries.

The Federal Reserve reviews the FR LL-10(b) to assess the adequacy of responses to items, disclosure of pertinent facts, and completeness in all material respects. This includes information concerning the date of consummation of transactions and the number of shares acquired.

Proposed Revisions

The Federal Reserve proposes to change the number of the form from "Form H-(b)10" to "FR LL-10(b)" (the authority to require an SLHC to register is section 10(b) in HOLA and "LL" is the Board's regulation governing the operations and activities of an SLHC). This format is consistent with the numbering of other Federal Reserve forms (*e.g.*, FR Y-3, FR Y-3N, and FR Y-4). In addition, all references to the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) have been replaced with references to the Board or the Reserve Banks, including references to the former OTS regulations that have been replaced with citations to the Federal Reserve's Savings and Loan Holding Companies (Regulation LL).

The Federal Reserve proposes to add an explanation of its submission deadline, including filing instructions for when the 90th day falls on a weekend or a holiday.

HOLA permits the Federal Reserve to require an SLHC and each of its subsidiaries, other than a savings association, to file reports with the Federal Reserve. The FR LL-10(b) currently allows an SLHC to omit information regarding subsidiaries of a savings association. The Federal Reserve proposes to change that practice and require an SLHC to include information regarding subsidiaries of a savings association. The Federal Reserve also proposes to add language requiring an SLHC to provide information not only on the stock it acquired of a subsidiary savings association but also for any other types of ownership interest.

The Federal Reserve proposes to remove an OTS requirement that a copy of registration statement be submitted on disc as this information can now be submitted electronically. In addition, the Federal Reserve removed language on financial disclosure requirements since these requirements are already required by law for an SLHC that is required to register with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Finally, the Federal Reserve proposes several stylistic and grammatical changes to the form and instructions.

Time Schedule for Information Collection

This information collection is event generated. The FR LL-10(b) is collected when an SLHCs is newly formed or when any changes are made to intercompany relationships after approval of the holding company application.

Legal Status

The Boards' Legal Division has determined that FR LL-10(b) is authorized by section 10(b) of HOLA (12 U.S.C. § 1467a(b)(1)) and Regulation LL (12 CFR section 238.4(c)). Section 10(b) of the HOLA, provides that each SLHC is required to register with the Federal Reserve within 90 days of becoming an SLHC on forms prescribed by the Board that contain such information as the Board may deem necessary or appropriate. The obligation to respond is mandatory. Information contained in the FR LL-10(b) is not considered confidential. If an SLHC wishes to claim confidential treatment for any information submitted on or with the form, it would need to describe the circumstances and provide a justification for the withholding of the information consistent with the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. § 552).

Consultation Outside the Agency

On June 1, 2016, the Board published a notice in the *Federal Register* (81 FR 35015) requesting public comment for 60 days on the extension, with revision, of the FR LL-10(b). The comment period for this notice expired on August 1, 2016. The Board did not receive any comments. On August 17, 2016, the Board published a final notice in the *Federal Register* (81 FR 54804).

Estimate of Respondent Burden

The annual reporting burden for the FR LL-10(b) is estimated to be 24 hours as shown in the following table. The number of respondents is based on the average number of new SLHCs during the calendar years 2013 through 2015. These reporting requirements represent less than 1 percent of total Federal Reserve System paperwork burden.

	<i>Number of respondents¹</i>	<i>Annual frequency</i>	<i>Estimated average hours per response</i>	<i>Estimated annual burden hours</i>
FR LL-10(b)	3	1	8	24

The total annual cost to the public for this information collection is estimated to be \$1,276.²

Sensitive Questions

This collection of information contains no questions of a sensitive nature, as defined by OMB guidelines.

Estimate of Cost to the Federal Reserve System

The costs to the Federal Reserve of collecting and processing this application are negligible.

¹ Of these respondents, two are considered small entities as defined by the Small Business Administration (i.e., entities with less than \$550 million in total assets) www.sba.gov/contracting/getting-started-contractor/make-sure-you-meet-sba-size-standards/table-small-business-size-standards.

² Total cost to the public was estimated using the following formula: percent of staff time, multiplied by annual burden hours, multiplied by hourly rates (30% Office & Administrative Support at \$17, 45% Financial Managers at \$65, 15% Lawyers at \$66, and 10% Chief Executives at \$89). Hourly rates for each occupational group are the (rounded) mean hourly wages from the Bureau of Labor and Statistics (BLS), *Occupational Employment and Wages May 2015*, published March 30, 2016 www.bls.gov/news.release/ocwage.t01.htm. Occupations are defined using the BLS Occupational Classification System, www.bls.gov/soc/.