

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**Office of the Comptroller of the Currency****Agency Information Collection Activities: Information Collection Renewal; Comment Request; Market Risk**

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 comment on a continuing information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA). In accordance with the requirements of the PRA, the OCC may not conduct or sponsor, and the 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 the renewal of its information collection titled, "Market Risk."

DATES: Comments must be received by June 17, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Commenters are encouraged to submit comments by email, if possible. You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- *Email:* prainfo@occ.treas.gov.
- *Mail:* Chief Counsel's Office, Attention: Comment Processing, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Attention: 1557-0247, 400 7th Street SW, Suite 3E-218, Washington, DC 20219.
- *Hand Delivery/Courier:* 400 7th Street SW, Suite 3E-218, Washington, DC 20219.
- *Fax:* (571) 293-4835.

Instructions: You must include "OCC" as the agency name and "1557-0247" 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, email 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.

Following the close of this notice's 60-day comment period, the OCC will publish a second notice with a 30-day comment period. You may review

comments and other related materials that pertain to this information collection beginning on the date of publication of the second notice for this collection by the method set forth in the next bullet.

- *Viewing Comments Electronically:* Go to www.reginfo.gov. Hover over the "Information Collection Review" tab and click on "Information Collection Review" from the drop-down menu. From the "Currently under Review" drop-down menu, select "Department of Treasury" and then click "submit." This information collection can be located by searching OMB control number "1557-0247" or "Market Risk." 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.

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. If you are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability, please dial 7-1-1 to access telecommunications relay services.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), 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. Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of title 44 generally requires Federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing collection of information, before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, the OCC is publishing notice of the renewal of this collection.

Title: Market Risk.

OMB Control No.: 1557-0247.

Type of Review: Regular.

Affected Public: Individuals; Businesses or other for-profit.

Description: The OCC's market risk capital rule (12 CFR part 3, subpart F) applies to national banks and Federal savings associations with significant

exposure to market risk, which include those national banks and Federal savings associations with aggregate trading assets and trading liabilities (as reported in the national bank's or Federal savings association's most recent Call Report) equal to 10 percent or more of quarter-end total assets or \$1 billion or more. The rule captures positions for which the market risk capital rule is appropriate; reduces procyclicality in market risk capital requirements; enhances the risk sensitivity of the OCC's capital requirements by measuring risks that are not adequately captured under the requirements for credit risk; and increases transparency through enhanced disclosures.

The information collection requirements are located at 12 CFR 3.203 through 3.212. The rule enhances risk sensitivity and includes requirements for the public disclosure of certain qualitative and quantitative information about the market risk of national banks and Federal savings associations. The collection of information is necessary to ensure capital adequacy appropriate for the level of market risk.

Section 3.203 sets forth the requirements for applying the market risk framework. Section 3.203(a)(1) requires national banks and Federal savings associations to have clearly defined policies and procedures for determining which trading assets and trading liabilities are trading positions and specifies the factors a national bank or Federal savings association must consider in drafting those policies and procedures. Section 3.203(a)(2) requires national banks and Federal savings associations to have clearly defined trading and hedging strategies for trading positions that are approved by senior management and specifies what those strategies must articulate. Section 3.203(b)(1) requires national banks and Federal savings associations to have clearly defined policies and procedures for actively managing all covered positions and specifies the minimum requirements for those policies and procedures. Section 3.203(c)(1) requires national banks and Federal savings associations to obtain prior written approval of the OCC before using any internal model to calculate their risk-based capital requirements under the rule. Sections 3.203(c)(4) through 3.203(c)(10) require the review, at least annually, of internal models and specify certain requirements for those models. Section 3.203(d)(4) requires the internal audit group of a national bank or Federal savings association to report, at least annually, to the board of directors

on the effectiveness of controls supporting the market risk measurement systems.

Section 3.204(b) requires national banks and Federal savings associations to conduct quarterly backtesting. Section 3.205(a)(5) requires institutions to demonstrate to the OCC the appropriateness of any proxies used to capture risks within value-at-risk models. Section 3.205(c) requires institutions to develop, retain, and make available to the OCC value-at-risk and profit and loss information on sub-portfolios for two years. Section 3.206(b)(3) requires national banks and Federal savings associations to have policies and procedures that describe how they determine the period of significant financial stress used to calculate the institution's stressed value-at-risk models and to obtain prior OCC approval for any material changes to these policies and procedures.

Section 3.207(b)(1) details requirements applicable to a national bank or Federal savings association when the national bank or Federal savings association uses internal models to measure the specific risk of certain covered positions. Section 3.208 requires national banks and Federal savings associations to obtain prior OCC approval for incremental risk modeling of portfolios of equity positions and describes the requirements for incremental risk modeling. Section 3.209 requires prior OCC approval for the use of a comprehensive risk measure and describes applicable requirements. Section 3.209(c)(2) requires national banks and Federal savings associations to retain and make available to the OCC the results of supervisory stress testing. Section 3.210(f) requires national banks and Federal savings associations to document an internal analysis of the risk characteristics of each securitization position in order to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the OCC an understanding of the position. Section 3.212 requires quarterly quantitative disclosures, annual qualitative disclosures, and a formal disclosure policy approved by the board of directors that addresses the approach for determining the market risk disclosures it makes.

Estimated Burden per Respondent: 1,964.

Estimated Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 17.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 33,388 hours.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB

approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are 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 burden of the collection of information;

(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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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Agency Collection Activities; Requesting Comments on Form 8717 and Form 8717-A

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Internal Revenue Service, 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 proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The IRS is soliciting comments concerning Form 8717, User Fee for Employee Plan Determination Letter Request, and Form 8717-A, User Fee for Employee Plan Opinion Letter Request.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before June 17, 2025 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Andres Garcia, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6526, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20224, or by email to omb.unit@irs.gov. Include OMB Control Number 1545-1772 in the subject line of the message.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or

copies of this collection should be directed to Jason Schoonmaker, (801) 620-2128, at Internal Revenue Service, Room 6526, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20224, or through the internet at jason.m.schoonmaker@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The IRS is currently seeking comments concerning the following information collection tools, reporting, and record-keeping requirements:

Title: User Fee for Employee Plan Determination or Opinion Letter Request.

OMB Control Number: 1545-1772.

Form Number: Form 8717 and Form 8717-A.

Abstract: Internal Revenue Code section 7528 requires the payment of user fees for requests to the IRS for ruling letters, opinion letters, and determination letters. Forms 8717 and 8717-A are used by employee plan providers and sponsors to pay the appropriate fee or a supplemental fee if the payment was not submitted with the initial request.

Current Actions: There is no change to the existing collection; however, the total burden has been reduced due to better estimates.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations, and not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Responses: 1,200.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 2 hours, 38 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 3,150.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

Request for Comments: Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the