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David R. Pearl,

Executive Secretary, Department of the Treasury.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Open Meeting of the Financial Research Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Office of Financial Research, Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The Financial Research Advisory Committee for the Treasury's Office of Financial Research (OFR) is convening for its seventh meeting on Thursday, February 25, 2016, in the Cash Room, Main Treasury Building, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20220, beginning at 9:15 a.m. Eastern Time. The meeting will be open to the public via live webcast at <http://www.financialresearch.gov> and limited seating will also be available.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Thursday, February 25, 2016, beginning at 9:15 a.m. Eastern Time.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in the Cash Room, Main Treasury Building, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20220. The meeting will be open to the public via live webcast at <http://www.financialresearch.gov>. A limited number of seats will be available for those interested in attending the meeting in person, and those seats would be on a first-come, first-served basis. Because the meeting will be held in a secured facility, members of the public who plan to attend the meeting must contact the OFR by email at OFR_FRAC@ofr.treasury.gov by 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, February 11, 2016, to inform the OFR of their desire to attend the meeting and to receive further instructions about building clearance.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Susan Stiehm, Designated Federal Officer, Office of Financial Research, Department of the Treasury, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20220, (212) 376-9808 (this is not a toll-free number), OFR_FRAC@ofr.treasury.gov. Persons who have difficulty hearing or speaking may access this number via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at 800-877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of this meeting is provided in accordance

with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, 10(a)(2), through implementing regulations at 41 CFR 102-3.150, *et seq.*

Public Comment: Members of the public wishing to comment on the business of the Financial Research Advisory Committee are invited to submit written statements by any of the following methods:

- **Electronic Statements.** Email the Committee's Designated Federal Officer at OFR_FRAC@ofr.treasury.gov.

- **Paper Statements.** Send paper statements in triplicate to the Financial Research Advisory Committee, Attn: Susan Stiehm, Office of Financial Research, Department of the Treasury, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20220.

The OFR will post statements on the Committee's Web site, <http://www.financialresearch.gov>, including any business or personal information provided, such as names, addresses, email addresses, or telephone numbers. The OFR will also make such statements available for public inspection and copying in the Department of the Treasury's library, Annex Room 1020, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20220 on official business days between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Eastern Time. You may make an appointment to inspect statements by telephoning (202) 622-0990. All statements, including attachments and other supporting materials, will be part of the public record and subject to public disclosure. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly.

Tentative Agenda/Topics for Discussion: The Committee provides an opportunity for researchers, industry leaders, and other qualified individuals to offer their advice and recommendations to the OFR, which, among other things, is responsible for collecting and standardizing data on financial institutions and their activities and for supporting the work of Financial Stability Oversight Council.

This is the seventh meeting of the Financial Research Advisory Committee. Topics to be discussed among all members will include discussion of the OFR's Programmatic Approach, progress on prior Committee recommendations, Subcommittee reports to the Committee and the OFR's work related to Shadow Banking. For more information on the OFR and the Committee, please visit the OFR Web site at <http://www.financialresearch.gov>.

Dated: January 20, 2016.

Barbara Shycoff,

Chief of External Affairs.

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UNITED STATES SENTENCING COMMISSION

Sentencing Guidelines for United States Courts

AGENCY: United States Sentencing Commission.

ACTION: Notice of submission to Congress of amendment to the sentencing guidelines effective August 1, 2016.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to its authority under 28 U.S.C. 994(p), the Commission has promulgated an amendment to the *Guidelines Manual*. This notice sets forth the amendment and the reason for the amendment.

DATES: The Commission has specified an effective date of August 1, 2016, for the amendment set forth in this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Matt Osterrieder, Legislative Specialist, (202) 502-4500, pubaffairs@ussc.gov. The amendment set forth in this notice also may be accessed through the Commission's Web site at www.ussc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The United States Sentencing Commission is an independent agency in the judicial branch of the United States Government. The Commission promulgates sentencing guidelines and policy statements for federal sentencing courts pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 994(a). The Commission also periodically reviews and revises previously promulgated guidelines pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 994(o) and generally submits guideline amendments to Congress pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 994(p) not later than the first day of May each year. Absent action of Congress to the contrary, submitted amendments become effective by operation of law on the date specified by the Commission (generally November 1 of the year in which the amendments are submitted to Congress).

Notice of the proposed amendment was published in the **Federal Register** on August 17, 2015 (*see* 80 FR 49314). The Commission held a public hearing on the proposed amendment in Washington, DC, on November 5, 2015. On January 21, 2016, the Commission submitted this amendment to Congress and specified an effective date of August 1, 2016.