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XI. Congressional Review Act

Grant solicitations such as this are considered rules for the purpose of the Congressional Review Act (CRA). The CRA, 5 U.S.C. 801 *et seq.*, as added by the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996 (SBREFA), generally provides that before a rule may take effect, the agency promulgating the rule must submit a rule report, which includes a copy of the rule, to each House of the Congress and to the Comptroller General of the United States. EPA will submit a report containing this rule and other required information to the U.S. Senate, the U.S. House of Representatives, and the Comptroller General of the United States prior to publication of the rule in the **Federal Register**. This is not a "major rule" as defined by 5 U.S.C. 804(2).

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Grants, Pollution prevention.

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EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF THE UNITED STATES

Notice of Open Special Meeting of the Sub-Saharan Africa Advisory Committee (SAAC) of the Export-Import Bank of the United States (Export-Import Bank)

SUMMARY: The Sub-Saharan Africa Advisory Committee was established by Public Law 105-121, November 26, 1997, to advise the Board of Directors on the development and implementation of policies and programs designed to support the expansion of the Bank's financial commitments in Sub-Saharan Africa under the loan, guarantee and insurance programs of the Bank. Further, the committee shall make recommendations on how the Bank can facilitate greater support by U.S. commercial banks for trade with Sub-Saharan Africa.

Time and Place: Wednesday, March 26, 2003, at 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Export-Import Bank in Room 1143, 811 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20571.

Agenda: This meeting will focus on improving deal flow for transactions in Sub-Saharan Africa. SAAC members and the Bank staff will discuss previous committee recommendations and the industry-specific experience of particular SAAC members.

Public Participation: The meeting will be open to public participation, and the last 10 minutes will be set aside for oral questions or comments. Members of the public may also file written statement(s) before or after the meeting. If any person wishes auxiliary aids (such as a sign language interpreter) or other special accommodations, please contact, prior to March 21, 2003, Teri Stumpf, Room 1215, 811 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20571, Voice: (202) 565-3502 or TDD (202) 565-3377.

FURTHER INFORMATION: For further information, contact Teri Stumpf, Room 1215, 811 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20571, (202) 565-3502.

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FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE BOARD

Sunshine Act Meeting Notice; Announcing an Open Meeting of the Board and a Public Hearing on Business Objectives and Practices of Federal Home Loan Bank Unsecured Lending

TIME AND DATE: The meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled to begin at 2 pm on Wednesday, March 12, 2003. The public hearing will take place immediately following the Board of Directors meeting.

PLACE: Board Room, Second Floor, Federal Housing Finance Board, 1777 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20006.

STATUS: The entire meeting and the public hearing will be open to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. At the meeting of the Board of Directors:

- Appointments to the Office of Finance. Part 985 of the Federal Housing Finance Board regulations requires the agency to appoint the members of the Office of Finance board of directors (12 CFR 985.7).

- Appointment of Federal Home Loan Bank Directors. Section 7 of the Federal Home Loan Bank Act (12 U.S.C. 1427) requires the Federal Housing Finance Board to appoint public interest directors to the boards of directors of the Federal Home Loan Banks.

- Financial Expertise Requirements for Certain Federal Home Loan Bank Appointed Directors. Consideration of a proposed rule to ensure that at least one appointive director serving on the board of directors of each Federal Home Loan Bank has financial expertise.

- Delegation of Authority to the Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Federal Housing Finance Board. Consideration of a resolution setting forth the sense of the Board of Directors about the delegation to the Chairperson.

2. At the hearing:

Business Objectives and Practices of Federal Home Loan Bank Unsecured Lending.

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Dated: March 5, 2003.

By the Federal Housing Finance Board.

Arnold Intrater,
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