Authority: 7 U.S.C. 2260, 7711–7714, 7731, and 7734; 21 U.S.C. 136 and 136a; 31 U.S.C. 9701; 7 CFR 2.22, 2.80, and 371.3.

- 2. Section 352.30 would be amended as follows:
- a. By revising paragraphs (b)(3)(iii) and (b)(4)(i).
- b. In paragraph (c)(1), by removing the words "or Galveston" and adding in their place the words "Corpus Christi, Galveston, or Houston".
 - c. By revising paragraph (c)(3).
 - d. By revising paragraph (e).

§ 352.30 Administrative instructions: Certain oranges, tangerines, and grapefruit from Mexico.

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- (b) * * * (3) * * *
- (iii) Trucks. Trucks may be used to haul such fruit from Mexico to shipside, or to approved refrigerated storage pending lading aboard ship, in Brownsville, Corpus Christi, Galveston, or Houston, TX, or alongside refrigerator cars or aircraft at the ports named in paragraph (b)(2) of this section for movement to a foreign country. The fruit hauled in such trucks must be enclosed in sealed, refrigerated containers of the type commonly used by the maritime or commercial trucking industry.
- (4) Bonded rail movement—(i) Routing. Shipments of such fruit may move by direct route, in Customs bond and under Customs seal, without diversion or change of Customs entry en route, from the port of entry to the port of exit en route to Canada or to an approved North Atlantic port in the United States for export to another foreign country, as follows: The fruit may be entered at Nogales, AZ, only for direct rail routing to El Paso, TX, after which it shall traverse only the territory bounded on the west by a line drawn from El Paso, TX, to Salt Lake City, UT, and then to Portland, OR, and on the east by a line drawn from Brownsville, TX, through Galveston, TX, and Kinder, LA, to Memphis, TN, and then to Louisville, KY, and direct northward routes therefrom. Such fruit may also enter the United States from Mexico at any port listed in paragraph (b)(2) of this section for direct eastward rail movement in Customs bond and under Customs seal, without diversion en route, for reentry into Mexico.
 - (c) * * *
- (3) Exportation from Brownsville, Corpus Christi, Galveston, or Houston by water. (i) Such fruit laden in refrigerated holds for export from Brownsville, Corpus Christi, Galveston, or Houston, TX, must be stowed in

closed compartments if the ship is to call at other Gulf or South Atlantic ports in the United States. The compartments are not to be opened while the ship is in such other Gulf or South Atlantic ports.

(ii) Such fruit for export from Brownsville, Corpus Christi, Galveston, or Houston, if not laden in refrigerated holds, must be stowed in closed compartments separate from other cargoes. Bulkheads of such compartments shall be kept closed. The hatches of compartments containing such fruit shall be closed and the tarpaulin battened down and sealed with Plant Protection and Quarantine Programs seals. The seals must remain unbroken while the ship is in any Gulf or South Atlantic port in the United States or its waters. Vents and ventilators leading to compartments in which the fruit is stowed must be screened with fine mesh screening. Advance notice of arrival of ships carrying untreated Mexican oranges, tangerines, or grapefruit shall be given to the inspector at such Gulf or South Atlantic port of call.

(e) Untreated fruit from certain municipalities in Mexico. Oranges, tangerines, and grapefruit in transit to foreign countries may be imported from certain municipalities in Mexico listed in § 319.56–2(h) of this chapter in accordance with the applicable conditions in §§ 319.56 through 319.56–8 of this chapter.

Done in Washington, DC, this 28th day of November, 2001.

W. Ron DeHaven

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE BOARD

12 CFR Chapter IX

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Multiple Federal Home Loan Bank Memberships

AGENCY: Federal Housing Finance Board.

ACTION: Solicitation of comments; extension of public comment period.

SUMMARY: On October 3, 2001, the Federal Housing Finance Board (Finance Board) published a solicitation of comments in the **Federal Register** (66

FR 50366 (October 3, 2001)) on the implications for the Federal Home Loan Bank System (FHLBank System) raised by the structural changes that have been occurring in its membership base. The solicitation was prompted by the submission of several petitions, each requesting that the Finance Board permit a single depository institution to become a member of two Federal Home Loan Banks concurrently. The petitions also raised a number of other broad issues affecting the FHLBank System.

The Finance Board has received a number of requests for an extension of the January 2, 2002 deadline for written comments on the solicitation. In order to provide interested parties ample opportunity to comment, the Finance Board is extending the comment period for the solicitation from January 2, 2002 to March 4, 2002.

DATES: The comment period on the solicitation is extended to March 4, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be mailed to: Elaine L. Baker, Secretary to the Board, Federal Housing Finance Board, 1777 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20006, or to bakere@fhfb.gov. Comments will be available for public inspection at this address.

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Dated: November 29, 2001.

By the Board of Director of the Federal Housing Finance Board.

J. Timothy O'Neill,

Chairman.

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