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FDIC Seeks Comment on the Treatment of Reciprocal Deposits

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) is seeking comment on a proposed rule to implement Section 202 of the Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act (EGRRCPA) to exempt certain reciprocal deposits from being considered as brokered deposits for certain insured institutions.

Under the reciprocal deposit exception addressed in today's proposed rule, well-capitalized and well rated institutions are not required to treat reciprocal deposits as brokered deposits up to the lesser of 20 percent of its total liabilities or \$5 billion. Institutions that are not both well capitalized and well rated may also exclude reciprocal deposits from their brokered deposits under certain circumstances.

This rulemaking is the first of a two-part effort the FDIC plans to take to revisit the brokered deposit rules. For the second part, the FDIC plans to seek comments later this year on the agency's overall brokered deposit and rate cap regulations.

"As FDIC Chairman, I am currently undertaking a comprehensive review of FDIC regulations and policies. A key part of this process will be a reassessment of the agency's brokered deposits regulations and FAQs. Since the rules were put in place, the industry has seen significant changes in technology, business models, and product types, and later this year we will ask for public comment on how best to update the rules to reflect such changes," said FDIC Chairman Jelena McWilliams.

Comments on the proposed rule to implement Section 202 of EGRRCPA on reciprocal deposits will be accepted for 30 days after publication in the *Federal Register*.

Attachment

Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Regarding Reciprocal Deposit Treatment

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