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## **REGULATORY RELIEF** Guidance to Help Financial Institutions and Facilitate Recovery in Areas of Minnesota Affected by Severe Weather

**Summary:** The FDIC has announced a series of steps intended to provide regulatory relief to financial institutions and facilitate recovery in areas of Minnesota affected by severe storms and flooding.

Distribution: FDIC-Supervised Banks (Commercial and Savings) in Minnesota Suggested Routing: Chief Executive Officer Compliance Officer Chief Lending Officer	<ul> <li>Highlights:</li> <li>Severe storms and flooding, which began on September 22, 2010, caused significant property damage in areas of Minnesota.</li> <li>A major disaster was declared on October 13, 2010, for selected counties in Minnesota.</li> </ul>
Related Topics: Lending Investments Publishing Requirements Consumer Laws Attachment: Supervisory Practices Regarding Depository Institutions and Borrowers Affected by Severe Storms and Flooding in Areas of Minnesota Contact: Assistant Regional Director Michele L. Sharp at (816) 234-8053 or MiSharp@fdic.gov . Note: FDIC financial institution letters (FILs) may be accessed from the FDIC's Web site at www.fdic.gov/news/news/financial/2010/index.html. To receive FILs electronically, please visit http://www.fdic.gov/about/subscriptions/fil.html. Paper copies of FDIC financial institution letters may be obtained through the FDIC's Public Information Center, 3501 Fairfax Drive, E-1002, Arlington, VA 22226 (1-877-275-3342 or 703-562- 2200).	<ul> <li>The FDIC is encouraging banks to work constructively with borrowers experiencing difficulties beyond their control because of damage caused by the severe weather.</li> <li>Extending repayment terms, restructuring existing loans or easing terms for new loans, if done in a manner consistent with sound banking practices, can contribute to the health of the community and serve the long-term interests of the lending institution.</li> <li>The FDIC also will consider regulatory relief from certain filing and publishing requirements.</li> </ul>