



**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**  
**WASHINGTON, D.C.**

**SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY**

January 2, 2025

The Honorable Sandra L. Thompson  
Director  
Federal Housing Finance Agency  
400 7th Street SW  
Washington, DC 20219

Dear Director Thompson:

Reference is made to (a) the Amended and Restated Preferred Stock Purchase Agreement dated as of September 26, 2008, as amended (the Agreement), between the United States Department of the Treasury (Treasury) and the Federal National Mortgage Association (the Enterprise), acting through the Federal Housing Finance Agency (the Agency) as its Conservator, (b) the Amended and Restated Certificate of Designation executed pursuant to the Agreement (the Certificate), and (c) the warrant, as such term is defined in the Agreement (the Warrant). Capitalized terms used herein without definition have the meanings assigned to them in the Agreement, the Certificate, and the Warrant.

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- (e) the letter agreement, dated as of September 27, 2019 (Second Letter Agreement), in which Treasury and the Enterprise agreed that the Enterprise would further amend the dividend rate provision set forth in the Certificate to establish an Applicable Capital Reserve Amount of \$25,000,000,000, such that dividends are payable only if, and in the amount by which, the Dividend Amount, as previously amended, exceeds the Applicable Capital Reserve Amount; to increase the liquidation preference of the outstanding shares of senior preferred stock by \$22,000,000,000; and to negotiate and execute an additional amendment to the Agreement;
- (f) the letter agreement, dated as of January 14, 2021 (Third Letter Agreement), in which Treasury and the Enterprise agreed that the Enterprise would modify the dividends and liquidation preference provisions set forth in the Certificate, and amended the terms of the Agreement with respect to the Periodic Commitment Fee, issuance of capital stock, conservatorship, covenants of the Enterprise, and in certain other respects; and
- (g) the letter agreement, dated as of September 14, 2021 (Fourth Letter Agreement), in which Treasury and the Enterprise agreed to suspend the requirements, introduced by the Third Letter Agreement, that imposed certain restrictions on the Enterprise’s acquisition of Single-Family Mortgage Loans and Multifamily Mortgage Assets.

Treasury and the Enterprise are each authorized to enter into this letter agreement further amending the Agreement, the Certificate, and the Warrant as provided herein. Therefore, for and in consideration of the mutual agreements herein contained and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, Treasury and the Enterprise agree as follows:

**I. Amendments to the Agreement**

**A. Amendments to Article 1 (Amending or Deleting Definitions for Certain Defined Terms)**

Article 1 of the Agreement is hereby amended by modifying the definition of “Enterprise Regulatory Capital Framework” to read as follows:

“*Enterprise Regulatory Capital Framework*” means the rule promulgated by the Agency at 12 CFR pt. 1240, as amended from time to time.

Article 1 of the Agreement is hereby amended by modifying the definition of “Indebtedness” to read as follows:

“*Indebtedness*” of any Person means, for purposes of Article 5.5 only, without duplication, (a) all obligations of such Person for money borrowed by such Person, (b) all obligations of such Person evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes or similar instruments, (c) all obligations of such Person under conditional sale or other title retention agreements relating to property or assets purchased by such Person, (d) all obligations of such Person issued or assumed as the deferred purchase price of property or services, other than trade accounts payable, (e) all Capital Lease Obligations of such Person, (f) obligations, whether contingent or liquidated, in respect of letters of credit (including standby and commercial), bankers’ acceptances and similar instruments, and (g) any obligation of such Person, contingent or otherwise, guaranteeing or having the economic effect of guaranteeing any Indebtedness of the types set forth in clauses (a) through (f) payable by another Person other than Mortgage Guarantee Obligations. Indebtedness balances or amounts shall be measured at par value for purposes of Article 5.5 only.

Article 1 of the Agreement is hereby amended by modifying the definition of “Mortgage Assets” to read as follows:

“*Mortgage Assets*” of any Person means assets of such Person consisting of mortgages, mortgage loans, mortgage-related securities, participation certificates, mortgage-backed commercial paper, obligations of real estate mortgage investment conduits and similar assets. For purposes of Articles 5.5 and 5.7, “Mortgage Assets” excludes the effect of the consolidation of Seller’s mortgage-backed security trusts into Seller’s financial statements (and, for the avoidance of doubt, is intended to be equal to the unpaid principal balance of Seller’s retained mortgage portfolio as set forth in Seller’s periodic reports filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission).

Article 1 of the Agreement is hereby amended by deleting the definition of “Multifamily Mortgage Asset”.

**B. Amendment to Article 5.3 (Relating to Conservatorship)**

Article 5.3 of the Agreement is hereby amended to read as follows:

5.3. *Conservatorship.* Seller shall not (and Conservator, by its signature below, agrees that it shall not), without the prior written consent of Purchaser, terminate, seek termination of or permit to be terminated the conservatorship of Seller pursuant to Section 1367 of the FHE Act, other than in connection with a receivership pursuant to Section 1367(a)(4) of the FHE Act.

**C. Amendments to Article 5 (Deleting Articles 5.12(c), 5.13, 5.14(a) and 5.14(b) and Modifying Article 5.14(a)(iii))**

Articles 5.12 and 5.14 of the Agreement are hereby amended by deleting Articles 5.12(c), 5.14(a), and 5.14(b); renumbering Article 5.12(d) as Article 5.12(c) and Article 5.14(c) as Article 5.14(a); and adding “and” at the end of Article 5.12(b)(iii).

Article 5.13 of the Agreement is hereby amended to read as follows:

5.13 [Reserved]

Article 5.14 of the Agreement is hereby amended by modifying Article 5.14(a)(iii), as amended hereby, to read as follows:

(iii) a Single-Family Mortgage Loan secured by an investment property;

**D. Amendment to Article 5.15 (Relating to Capital Covenant)**

Article 5.15 of the Agreement is hereby amended to read as follows:

5.15. *Capital Covenant.* Seller shall comply with the Enterprise Regulatory Capital Framework.

**E. Amendment to Article 6.5 (Relating to Notices)**

Article 6.5 of the Agreement is hereby amended to read as follows:

6.5. *Notices.* Any notices or other communications delivered pursuant to or in connection with this Agreement shall be provided by e-mail to one or more designated recipients identified by each party and shall be effective upon confirmation of receipt by such a designated recipient, provided that such designated recipients may agree in writing to receipt of any such notices or other communications through a method other than e-mail.

**II. Amendments to the Certificate**

**A. Amendment to Section 1 (Relating to Priority)**

The second paragraph of Section 1 of the Certificate is hereby amended to read as follows:

The Senior Preferred Stock shall rank prior to the common stock of the Company as provided in this Certificate and shall rank, as to both dividends and distributions upon dissolution, liquidation or winding up of the Company, prior to (a) the shares of preferred stock of the Company designated “5.25% Non-Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series D”, “5.10% Non-Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series E”, “Variable Rate Non-Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series F”, “Variable Rate Non-Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series G”, “5.81% Non-Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series H”, “5.375% Non-Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series I”, “5.125% Non-Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series L”, “4.75% Non-Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series M”, “5.50% Non-Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series N”, “Non-Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series O”, “Non-Cumulative Convertible Series 2004-1 Preferred Stock”, “Variable Rate Non-Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series P”, “6.75% Non-Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series Q”, “7.625% Non-Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series R”, “Fixed-to-

Floating Rate Non-Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series S”, and “8.25% Non-Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series T”, (b) any other capital stock of the Company outstanding on the date of the initial issuance of the Senior Preferred Stock and (c) any capital stock of the Company that may be issued after the date of initial issuance of the Senior Preferred Stock.

**B. Amendment to Section 3(b) (Relating to Notices)**

Section 3(b) of the Certificate is hereby amended to read as follows:

(b) In the event the Company shall pay down of the Liquidation Preference of the Senior Preferred Stock as aforesaid, notice of such pay down shall be provided by the Company by e-mail, neither less than 10 nor more than 45 days preceding the date fixed for the payment, to one or more designated recipients identified by each holder of record of the shares of the Senior Preferred Stock and shall be effective upon confirmation of receipt by such a designated recipient, provided that such designated recipients may agree in writing to receipt of any such notices through a method other than e-mail. Each such notice shall state the amount by which the Liquidation Preference of each share shall be reduced and the pay down date.

**C. Amendment to Section 10(f) (Relating to Notices)**

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(f) Any notice, demand or other communication which by any provision of this Certificate is required or permitted to be (i) given or served to or upon the Company or (ii) given or served by the Company shall, in each case, be provided by e-mail to one or more designated recipients identified by each relevant party and shall be effective upon confirmation of receipt by such a designated recipient, provided that such designated recipients may agree in writing to receipt of any such notices, demands or other communications through a method other than e-mail.

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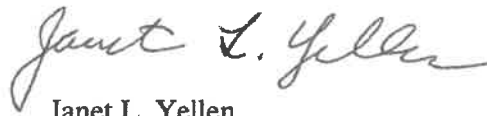
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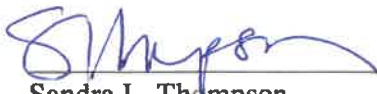
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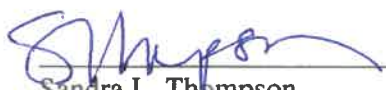
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Director



# FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY

## Office of the Director

January 2, 2025

Janet L. Yellen  
Secretary  
U.S. Department of the Treasury  
1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20220

Dear Secretary Yellen:

This side letter agreement (Side Letter) is being entered into by the Federal Housing Finance Agency (the Agency) and the United States Department of the Treasury (Treasury). Capitalized terms used herein without definition have the meanings assigned to them in (a) the Amended and Restated Preferred Stock Purchase Agreements dated as of September 26, 2008, as amended (the Agreements), between Treasury and each of the Federal National Mortgage Association and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (the Enterprises), acting through the Agency as their Conservator, (b) the Amended and Restated Certificates of Designation executed pursuant to each Agreement (the Certificates), and (c) the warrants, as such term is defined in each Agreement (the Warrants).

FHFA and Treasury agree as follows:

1. Commitment to Conduct Market Impact Assessment. In order to ensure that any future termination of the conservatorships of the Enterprises promotes the safety and soundness of the Enterprises, taxpayer protection, and U.S. financial stability, and to avoid a disorderly termination of an Enterprise's conservatorship that could be disruptive to the Enterprises, homeowners, and the housing finance system, the Agency and Treasury agree that, prior to a termination of the conservatorship of an Enterprise other than by means of a receivership pursuant to section 1367 of the FHE Act (12 U.S.C. 4617), the Agency shall issue a public request for information outlining in detail one or more specific options for the termination of conservatorship and seek input on potential impacts of each option on the housing market and on the Enterprises. Following the public input period, the Agency shall brief the Financial Stability Oversight Council on a summary of the public input received, including input about factors related to each option that could have potential impacts on U.S. financial stability.

Not more than six months prior to Conservator's request for Treasury's consent pursuant to Section 5.3 of the Agreement related to a termination of the conservatorship of an




Enterprise (other than by means of a receivership pursuant to section 1367 of the FHE Act (12 U.S.C. 4617)), the Agency shall provide Treasury a specific proposal that (a) sets forth the Agency's recommended approach to the termination of the conservatorship, (b) reflects the input received in response to the public request for information, (c) includes a market impact assessment that describes how the recommended approach may impact the housing market and the Enterprise, and (d) addresses amendments, if any, to the Agreement, the Certificate, or the Warrants that may be required to implement the recommended approach to the termination of the conservatorship.

2. Conservatorship. Treasury shall consult with the President prior to consenting to any request by Conservator or Seller pursuant to Section 5.3 of the Agreement related to a termination of conservatorship, including termination by means of a receivership pursuant to section 1367(a)(2) of the FHE Act (12 U.S.C. 4617(a)(2)).
3. Severability. If any provision of this Side Letter shall be held or made invalid by a court decision, statute, or rule, or shall be otherwise rendered invalid, the remainder of this Side Letter shall not be affected thereby.
4. Amendments; Termination. This Side Letter may be amended, modified, waived, or terminated only by a written instrument signed by each party hereto.

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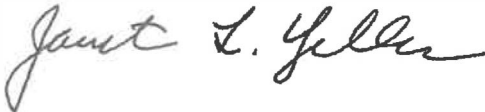
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Side Letter to be duly executed as of the date first set forth above.

Sincerely,



Sandra L. Thompson  
Director, Federal Housing Finance Agency

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United States Department of the Treasury