

FedFin Daily Briefing

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FDIC Addresses Swept Funds Brokered Treatment

Doubtless reflecting Acting Chairman Gruenberg's tougher approach to brokered deposits, the FDIC today tightened its current rule (see FSM Report DEPOSITINSURANCE111) via new interpretation. This states that swept funds received from unaffiliated broker-dealers under the primary-purpose exception must be considered brokered if any third parties qualifying as deposit brokers are involved. IDIs are reminded to undertake the due diligence necessary to know if third parties that are considered brokers are in fact involved in such transactions.

BIS Evaluates Macro-Financial Stability Frameworks

BIS today sent the G20 a <u>report</u> on macro-financial stability frameworks and external financial conditions. It includes an analysis of macroprudential policy, foreign exchange interventions, and capital flow management measures along with an overview of scenarios in which these may be implemented through complementary monetary and fiscal policies. However, no policy recommendations to advance its objectives are provided.

Recent Files Available for Downloading

The following reports and analyses have been sent to retainer clients recently. Copies are also available to retainer clients on the Archives section of Federal Financial Analytics' website: www.fedfin.com or clients may obtain the reports/analyses by e-mailing info@fedfin.com giving the requested item name, firm, and e-mail address. To learn more about GSE Activity Reports, click here.

- <u>CRYPTO30</u>: As part of its response to the President's digital-asset executive order, the Department of the Treasury is seeking views on the broad policy questions on which it believes answers might guide the Administration's next steps.
- ➤ GSE-070822: A new Fed staff <u>note</u> contains startling statistics on how much the housing market has changed in just a few months at grave cost to lower income households.
- ➤ <u>CRYPTO29</u>: Global banking regulators are trying a new, but still stringent, approach to governing bank exposures to certain types of crypto assets, revising an initial consultation to focus more on supervisory limitations than on extremely punitive capital requirements for what are deemed to be lower risk cryptoassets.
- CREDITCARD35: Taking the first concrete action following its new policy on "junk fees," the CFPB has sought public comment on whether and how to govern credit-card late fees and broader practices related to late payments.
- ➤ <u>GSE-070122</u>: FHFA today essentially conceded after its initial polite rebuff to an Urban Institute critique of the capital rules adverse impact on <u>UMBS</u>.
- ➢ GSE-063022: The Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia's latest report on foreclosure risk includes a worrisome finding: the sharp rise in interest rates means that most loan-mod recipients won't actually get much relief.
- Section GSE-062922: In response to a request from its Inspector General, FHFA renewed the commitment to

fourth-party supervision.

- <u>DEPOSITINSURANCE114</u>: The FDIC is proposing to raise base Deposit Insurance Fund (DIF) assessments by two basis points (BPS) to replenish the DIF by the statutory deadline to reflect deposit inflows that the FDIC no longer expects to be temporary.
- ➤ <u>GSE-062722</u>: A new Fed <u>paper</u> analyzes the striking differences between mortgage-market liquidity or the dramatic lack thereof in the great financial crisis of 2008 and the pandemic crisis of March, 2020.
- FEDERALRESERVE71: At today's HFSC hearing, Chairman Powell encountered the same political headwinds evident at yesterday's Senate Banking session (see Client Report FEDERALRESERVE70), reinforcing and even heightening his commitment to fighting inflation in concert with hopes that a soft landing may still be possible.
- GSE-062322.pdf: Following a sharp critique of GSE capital standards earlier today from the Urban Institute, FHFA Director Thompson today acknowledged Fannie and Freddie's new 50 bps fees when one of the GSEs guarantees the other's collateral for UMBS purposes.
- FEDERALRESERVE70: As we <u>expected</u>, today's Senate Banking session with Chairman Powell is a preview of broader national debate ahead of the midterm election.
- ➤ <u>CLIMATE14</u>: The Basel Committee has finalized its proposed climate-risk management principles largely unchanged from its proposal, establishing over-arching goals at which both banks and their supervisors are asked to aim.
- CONSUMER43: Combining some of its outstanding initiatives and adding new ones, the CFPB is seeking information on how well larger banks and credit unions serve consumers and what steps may be needed to make them do better.