DATES: Comments must be received on or before April 24, 2018.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments (identified by DOT docket no. NHTSA–2017–0105) through one of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow instructions for submitting comments.
 - Fax: 202-493-2251.
- Mail: Docket Management Facility;
 U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200
 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building,
 Ground Floor, Room W12–140,
 Washington, DC 20590.
- Hand Delivery/Courier: 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays. Telephone: 1–800–647–5527.

Instructions: Submissions must include the agency name and docket number for this proposed collection of information. Note all comments received will be posted without change to http://www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to http://www.regulations.gov at any time or to Room W12–140 on the ground level of the DOT Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building Ground Floor, Washington, DC 20590 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Hisham Mohamed, NHTSA, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building, Room #W43–437, NRM–310, Washington, DC 20590. Mr. Mohamed's telephone number is 202–366–0307. Please identify the relevant collection of information by referring to its OMB Control Number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, before an agency submits a proposed collection of information to OMB for approval, it must first publish a document in the Federal Register providing a 60-day comment period and otherwise consult with members of the public and affected agencies concerning each proposed collection of information.

The OMB has promulgated regulations describing what must be included in such a document. Under OMB's regulation (at 5 CFR 1320.8(d)), an agency must ask for public comment on the following:

(i) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

- (ii) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (iii) How to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;
- (iv) How to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques, or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

In compliance with these requirements, NHTSA asks for public comments on the following proposed collections of information:

Title: 49 CFR part 575.104; Uniform Tire Quality Grading Standard.

OMB Control Number: 2127–0519.

Type of Request: Request for Reinstatement of a Currently Expired Collection of Information.

Abstract: Part 575.104, Uniform Tire Quality Grading Standard (UTQGS) requires tire manufacturers and tire brand owners to submit reports to NHTSA regarding grades of all passenger car tire lines they offer for sale in the United States. This information is used by consumers of passenger car tires to compare tire quality in making purchase decisions. The information is provided in several different ways to ensure the consumer can readily see and understand the tire grade: (1) Grades are molded into the sidewall of the tire so they can be reviewed on both the new tire and the old tire that is being replaced; (2) a paper label is affixed to the tread face of the new tire providing the grade of that particular tire line along with an explanation of the grading system; (3) tire manufacturers provide dealers with brochures for public distribution listing grades of all of the tire lines they offer for sale; and (4) NHTSA compiles the grading information of all manufacturers' tire lines into a booklet that is available to the public in printed form and on the NHTSA website.

Affected Public: All passenger car tires manufacturers and brand name owners offering passenger car tires for sale in the United States.

Estimated Number of Respondents: There are approximately 160 individual tire brands sold in the United States. Because of industry consolidation the actual number of respondents will be significantly reduced, since manufacturers generally file reports on behalf of the various individual brand names for which they produce tires. The

actual number of respondents is approximately 45.

Frequency: Intermittently. Number of Responses: 160. Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 91,288.

Estimated Annual Burden Cost: \$37,374,299 (approximately \$37.4 million).

Public Comments Invited: Comments are invited on:

- Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection;
- ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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Raymond R. Posten,

Associate Administrator for Rulemaking. [FR Doc. 2018–03682 Filed 2–22–18; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of the Comptroller of the Currency

FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Joint Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), Treasury; Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Board); and Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

ACTION: Joint notice and request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the OCC, the Board, and the FDIC (the agencies) may not conduct or sponsor, and the respondent is not required to respond to, an information collection unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. On October 6, 2017, the agencies, under the auspices of the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council (FFIEC), requested

public comment for 60 days on the implementation of the proposed Annual Dodd-Frank Act Company-Run Stress Test Report for Depository Institutions and Holding Companies with \$10-\$50 Billion in Total Consolidated Assets (FFIEC 016). The comment period for the proposal expired on December 5, 2017, and the agencies did not receive any comments. The agencies are now submitting the FFIEC 016, as originally proposed, to OMB for review. Subject to OMB approval, the proposed FFIEC 016 would take effect for the stress test

report due July 31, 2018.

The proposed FFIEC 016 would combine the agencies' three separate, yet identical, stress test report forms (as described in the SUPPLEMENTARY **INFORMATION**), which are currently approved collections of information, into a single new FFIEC report. The respondents for the proposed FFIEC 016 are depository institutions and holding companies with average total consolidated assets of more than \$10 billion, but less than \$50 billion. As part of their proposed adoption of the new FFIEC 016 report, the agencies also are proposing to implement a limited number of revisions that would align the report with recent changes to the FFIEC 031 and FFIEC 041 Consolidated Reports of Condition and Income and the Board's FR Y-9C Consolidated Financial Statements for Holding Companies. In addition, the agencies are proposing to have institutions provide their Legal Entity Identifier (LEI) on the report form, if they already have one. The proposed FFIEC 016 reporting requirements reflect the company-run stress testing requirements promulgated by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (as reflected in the agencies' current information collections).

The Board, in connection with this proposal, has approved the transition of the FR Y–16 (Annual Company-Run Stress Test Report For State Member Banks, Bank Holding Companies, and Savings and Loan Holding Companies with Total Consolidated Assets Greater Than \$10 Billion and Less Than \$50 Billion), which it currently uses to collect the annual company-run stress test results, to the FFIEC 016, conditioned on the approval of the FFIEC 016 by the OMB. Also in connection with the final adoption of the FFIEC 016, the OCC and the FDIC are proposing to replace the OCC's DFAST 10-50B (Annual Company-Run Stress Test Reporting Template and Documentation for Covered Institutions with Total Consolidated Assets of \$10 Billion to \$50 Billion under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer

Protection Act), and the FDIC's DFAST 10-50 (Company-Run Annual Stress Test Reporting Template and Documentation for Covered Institutions with Total Consolidated Assets of \$10 Billion to \$50 Billion under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act), respectively, with the FFIEC 016.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before March 26, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties are invited to submit written comments to any or all of the agencies. All comments, which should refer to the OMB control number(s), will be shared among the agencies.

OCC: You may submit comments, which should refer to "FFIEC 016," by any of the following methods:

- Email: prainfo@occ.treas.gov.
- Fax: (571) 465-4326.
- Mail: Legislative and Regulatory Activities Division, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, 400 7th Street SW, Suite 3E-218, Washington, DC 20219.

All comments received, including attachments and other supporting materials, are part of the public record and subject to public disclosure. Do not include any information in your comment or supporting materials that you consider confidential or inappropriate for public disclosure.

You may personally inspect and photocopy comments at the OCC, 400 7th Street SW, Washington, DC 20219. For security reasons, the OCC requires that visitors make an appointment to inspect comments. You may do so by calling (202) 649-6700 or, for persons who are deaf or hearing impaired, TTY, (202) 649-5597. Upon arrival, visitors will be required to present valid government-issued photo identification and submit to security screening in order to inspect and photocopy comments.

Board: You may submit comments, which should refer to "FFIEC 016," by any of the following methods:

- Agency Website: http:// www.federalreserve.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments at: http://www.federalreserve.gov/apps/ foia/proposedregs.aspx.
- Federal eRulemaking Portal: http:// www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- Email: regs.comments@ federalreserve.gov. Include reporting form number in the subject line of the message.
- Fax: (202) 452-3819 or (202) 452-3102.
- Mail: Ann E. Misback, Secretary, Board of Governors of the Federal

Reserve System, 20th Street and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20551.

All public comments are available from the Board's website at http:// www.federalreserve.gov/apps/foia/ proposedregs.aspx as submitted, unless modified for technical reasons. Accordingly, your comments will not be edited to remove any identifying or contact information. Public comments may also be viewed electronically or in paper form in Room 3515, 1801 K Street (between 18th and 19th Streets), NW, Washington, DC 20006, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on weekdays.

FDIC: You may submit comments, which should refer to "FFIEC 016," by any of the following methods:

- Agency Website: http:// www.fdic.gov/regulations/laws/federal/. Follow the instructions for submitting comments on the FDIC website.
- Federal eRulemaking Portal: http:// www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- Email: comments@FDIC.gov. Include "FFIEC 016" in the subject line of the message.
- Mail: Manuel E. Cabeza, Counsel, Attn: Comments, Room MB-3007, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, 550 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20429.
- Hand Delivery: Comments may be hand delivered to the guard station at the rear of the 550 17th Street Building (located on F Street) on business days between 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Public Inspection: All comments received will be posted without change to http://www.fdic.gov/regulations/laws/ federal/including any personal information provided. Paper copies of public comments may be requested from the FDIC Public Information Center, by telephone at (877) 275-3342 or (703) 562-2200.

Additionally, commenters may send a copy of their comments to the OMB desk officer for the agencies by mail to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, U.S. Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503; by fax to (202) 395–6974; or by email to *oira* submission@omb.eop.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information about the proposed FFIEC 016 report discussed in this notice, please contact any of the agency staff whose names appear below. In addition, a copy of the proposed FFIEC 016 reporting form is available on the FFIEC's website (http://www.ffiec.gov/ ffiec report forms.htm).

OCC: Kevin Korzeniewski, Counsel, (202) 649-5490 or, for persons who are deaf or hearing impaired, TTY, (202) 649–5597, Legislative and Regulatory Activities Division, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, 400 7th Street SW, Washington, DC 20219.

Board: Nuha Elmaghrabi, Federal Reserve Board Clearance Officer, (202) 452–3884, Office of the Chief Data Officer, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, 20th and C Streets NW, Washington, DC 20551. Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) users may call (202) 263–4869.

FDIC: Manuel E. Cabeza, Counsel, (202) 898–3767, Legal Division, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, 550 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20429.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As noted, on October 6, 2017, the agencies requested public comment for 60 days on a proposal to implement the Annual Dodd-Frank Act Company-Run Stress Test Report for Depository Institutions and Holding Companies with \$10-\$50 Billion in Total Consolidated Assets (FFIEC 016).¹ The agencies did not receive any comments on the proposed FFIEC 016 collections of information.

The agencies proposed to implement the FFIEC 016 report form to replace the following report forms, which are approved collections of information: Board's FR Y-16, Annual Company-Run Stress Test Report For State Member Banks, Bank Holding Companies, and Savings and Loan Holding Companies with Total Consolidated Assets Greater Than \$10 Billion and Less Than \$50 Billion (OMB Control No. 7100-0356); FDIC's DFAST 10-50, Company-Run Annual Stress Test Reporting Template and Documentation for Covered Institutions with Total Consolidated Assets of \$10 Billion to \$50 Billion under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (OMB Control No. 3064-0187); and OCC's DFAST 10-50B, Annual Company-Run Stress Test Reporting Template and Documentation for Covered Institutions with Total Consolidated Assets of \$10 Billion to \$50 Billion under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (OMB Control No. 1557-0311). These existing report forms collect identical information; however, the respondent institutions for each form vary based on each agency's supervisory jurisdiction.

Report Title: Annual Dodd-Frank Act Company-Run Stress Test Report for Depository Institutions and Holding Companies with \$10-\$50 Billion in Total Consolidated Assets.

Form Number: FFIEC 016. Frequency of Response: Annually.

Affected Public: Business or other forprofit.

OCC

OMB Control No.: 1557–0311. Estimated Number of Respondents: Initial Stress Test: 1 national bank or federal savings association. Ongoing Annual Stress Test: 36 national banks and federal savings associations.

Estimated Time per Response: Initial Stress Test: 2,000 burden hours per response. Ongoing Annual Stress Test: 469 burden hours per response.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: Initial Stress Test: 2,000 burden hours to file. Ongoing Annual Stress Test: 16,884 burden hours to file. Total: 18,884 burden hours to file.

Board

OMB Control No.: 7100–0356.
Estimated Number of Respondents:
Initial Stress Test: 11 state member banks, bank holding companies, and savings and loan holding companies.
Ongoing Annual Stress Test: 64 state member banks, bank holding companies, and savings and loan holding companies.

Estimated Time per Response: Initial Stress Test: 2,000 burden hours per response. Ongoing Annual Stress Test: 469 burden hours per response.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: Initial Stress Test: 22,000 burden hours to file. Ongoing Annual Stress Test: 30,016 burden hours to file. Total: 52,016 burden hours to file.

FDIC

OMB Control No.: 3064–0187. Estimated Number of Respondents: Initial Stress Test: 2 insured state nonmember banks and savings associations. Ongoing Annual Stress Test: 22 insured state nonmember banks and state savings associations.

Estimated Time per Response: Initial Stress Test: 2,000 burden hours per response. Ongoing Annual Stress Test: 469 burden hours per response.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: Initial Stress Test: 4,000 burden hours to file. Ongoing Annual Stress Test: 10,318 burden hours to file. Total: 14,318 burden hours to file.

Type of Review: OCC and FDIC: Revision and extension of currently approved collections. Board: Proposal for a new collection of information and discontinuation of a currently approved collection.

General Description of Reports

The proposed FFIEC 016 information collections would be mandatory for institutions with average total consolidated assets of more than \$10

billion, but less than \$50 billion. The FFIEC 016 implements the reporting of the annual company-run stress testing required of such institutions under section 165(i)(2) of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act. Public Law 111–203 (Dodd-Frank Act), and each agency's implementing regulation.² All data reported in the proposed FFIEC 016 would be given confidential treatment under 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(8) because they are contained in or related to operating or condition reports prepared for the use of agencies responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions.

Abstract

The FFIEC 016 report would be submitted by institutions supervised by the agencies with average total consolidated assets of more than \$10 billion, but less than \$50 billion, to report their company-run stress test results. These reports collect quantitative projections of balance sheet assets and liabilities, income, losses, and capital across three scenarios (baseline, adverse, and severely adverse) and qualitative information on methodologies used to develop these internal projections.

Data received in the agencies' \$10—\$50 billion annual Dodd-Frank Act company-run stress test reports are used in connection with supervision and regulation of these institutions to form supervisory assessments of the quality of a company's stress-testing process and, overall, as part of the broader assessment of a company's capital adequacy and risk management process. Data collected in these reports provide the agencies with one of many tools available to examiners to assist in the analysis and assessment of a company's capital position and planning process.

Current Actions

I. Discussion of Proposed FFIEC Report Form

Each agency has issued rules applicable to the banking organizations it supervises with total consolidated assets of more than \$10 billion, but less than \$50 billion, that implement the company-run stress testing requirement promulgated by section 165(i)(2) of the Dodd-Frank Act.³ Under the agencies' respective rules, institutions that meet this asset threshold are required to conduct, and report the results of, an

¹82 FR 46887 (October 6, 2017).

 $^{^2\,12}$ CFR part 46 (OCC); 12 CFR part 252, subpart B (Board); 12 CFR part 325, subpart C (FDIC).

³ 12 CFR part 46 (OCC); 12 CFR part 252, subpart B (Board); 12 CFR part 325, subpart C (FDIC).

annual stress test using scenarios provided by the agencies.

The annual as-of date of the stress test report is December 31, and the submission deadline for the report is the

following July 31.

Currently, the agencies maintain separate, yet identical, report forms (FR Y-16, FDIC DFAST 10-50, and OCC DFAST 10-50B) for the banks, savings associations, and holding companies they supervise to report these companyrun stress test results. These annual reports collect quantitative projections of balance sheet assets and liabilities, income, losses, and capital across a range of macroeconomic and financial scenarios as well as qualitative supporting information on the methodologies and processes used to develop those internal projections. As noted, the agencies are proposing to combine these separate data collections and designate the combined report as a uniform FFIEC data collection. As part of their proposed adoption of the new FFIEC 016 report, the agencies also are proposing to change the quantitative and qualitative information currently collected in their separate, yet identical, report forms to implement a limited number of revisions that would align the new report with recent burdenreducing changes to the FFIEC 031, FFIEC 041, and the Board's FR Y-9C.4 These revisions are not expected to change the estimated reporting burden for the proposed new FFIEC 016 compared to the estimated reporting burden for the agencies' existing stress test report forms.

The following revisions to the FFIEC 031, FFIEC 041, and FR Y-9C (as applicable) that took effect March 31, 2017, would affect the proposed FFIEC

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(1) On the FFIEC 031 and FFIEC 041 Schedule RI, Memorandum item 14.a, and on the FR Y–9C Schedule HI, Memorandum item 17(a), "Total other-than-temporary impairment losses," was removed, but institutions continue to report other-than-temporary impairment losses recognized in earnings on the FFIEC 031 and FFIEC 041 Schedule RI, Memorandum item 14, and the FR Y–9C Schedule HI, Memorandum item 17. The agencies propose for the new FFIEC 016 report form and instructions to replace line item 25, "Total other-than-temporary impairment losses," on each

Income Statement scenario schedule with "Other-than-temporary impairment losses on held-to-maturity and available-for-sale debt securities recognized in earnings" as defined in FFIEC 031 and FFIEC 041 Schedule RI, Memorandum item 14, and FR Y–9C Schedule HI, Memorandum item 17.

(2) On the FFIEC 031 and FFIEC 041 Schedule RC-E, Part I, Memorandum items 1.c.(1), "Brokered deposits of less than \$100,000," and 1.c.(2), "Brokered deposits of \$100,000 through \$250,000 and certain brokered retirement deposit accounts," were combined into a single item, Memorandum item 1.c, "Brokered deposits of \$250,000 or less (fully insured brokered deposits)." The agencies propose for the new FFIEC 016 report form and instructions to align its Balance Sheet line items 32 and 33 for retail and wholesale funding calculations, respectively, with the updated FFIEC 031 and FFIEC 041 Schedule RC-E, Part I, Memorandum item 1.c, "Brokered deposits of \$250,000 or less (fully insured brokered

deposits)."

(3) On Schedule RC–M of the FFIEC 031 and FFIEC 041, items for the amount of loans covered by FDIC losssharing agreements in the following loan categories were removed and combined with existing Schedule RC-M, item 13.a.(5), "All other loans and all leases" covered by such agreements: Item 13.a.(2), "Loans to finance agricultural production and other loans to farmers"; item 13.a.(3), "Commercial and industrial loans"; item 13.a.(4)(a), "Credit cards"; item 13.a.(4)(b), "Automobile loans"; and item 13.a.(4)(c), "Other (includes revolving credit plans other than credit cards, and other consumer loans)." In order to keep the data collection uniform and comparable across types of reporting institutions, the agencies propose for the new FFIEC 016 report form and instructions to discontinue the deduction of loans covered by FDIC loss-sharing agreements from each of the loan categories collected in Balance Sheet line items 1 through 13. In addition, in the proposed new FFIEC 016 report form, existing Balance Sheet line item 14, "Loans covered by FDIC loss-sharing agreements," will be retained.

In addition, the agencies are proposing to have reporting institutions provide their LEI on the FFIEC 016 report form, if they have one. The LEI is a 20-digit alpha-numeric code that uniquely identifies entities that engage in financial transactions. The recent financial crisis spurred the development of a Global LEI System (GLEIS). Internationally, regulators and market

participants have recognized the importance of the LEI as a key improvement in financial data systems. The Group of Twenty (G-20) nations directed the Financial Stability Board (FSB) to lead the coordination of international regulatory work and deliver concrete recommendations on the GLEIS by mid-2012, which in turn were endorsed by the G-20 later that same year. In January 2013, the LEI Regulatory Oversight Committee (ROC), including participation by regulators from around the world, was established to oversee the GLEIS on an interim basis. With the establishment of the full Global LEI Foundation in 2014, the ROC continues to review and develop broad policy standards for LEIs. The OCC, the Board, and the FDIC are all members of the ROC.

The LEI system is designed to facilitate several financial stability objectives, including the provision of higher quality and more accurate financial data. In the United States, the Financial Stability Oversight Council (FSOC) has recommended that regulators and market participants continue to work together to improve the quality and comprehensiveness of financial data both nationally and globally. In this regard, the FSOC also has recommended that its member agencies promote the use of the LEI in reporting requirements and rulemakings, where appropriate.5

With respect to the FFIEC 016, the agencies are proposing to have reporting institutions provide their LEI on the cover page of this new report once it is implemented, if a reporting institution has an LEI. A reporting institution that does not have an LEI would not be required to obtain one for purposes of reporting it on the FFIEC 016.

The uniform FFIEC 016 report would be collected in an electronic format using file specifications and formats determined by the agencies, as prescribed in the Federal Reserve System's Reporting Central application. The agencies believe that developing a uniform report under the FFIEC reporting structure will promote uniform standards and reporting across the agencies, which is consistent with the function of the FFIEC.6 The proposed FFIEC 016 information collections would satisfy each agency's company-run stress-testing requirements, while ensuring consistency and comparability of the

⁴ FFIEC 031 and FFIEC 041 Consolidated Reports of Condition and Income (OMB Control Nos.: OCC, 1557–0081; Board, 7100–0036; and FDIC, 3064–0052): See 81 FR 45357 (July 13, 2016) and 82 FR 2444 (January 9, 2017); FR Y–9C Consolidated Financial Statements for Holding Companies (OMB Control No.: Board, 7100–0128): See 81 FR 62129 (September 8, 2016).

⁵ Financial Stability Oversight Council 2015 Annual Report, page 14, http://www.treasury.gov/ initiatives/fsoc/studies-reports/Documents/ 2015%20FSOC%20Annual%20Report.pdf.

⁶ See 12 U.S.C. 3305(c).

stress-testing information across institutions. The change also would ensure that future collections of this information remain uniform across the agencies.

With OMB approval, the first annual filing deadline for the FFIEC 016 report form would be July 31, 2018, using information as of December 31, 2017.

II. Request for Comment

Public comment is requested on all aspects of this joint notice. Comments are specifically invited on:

- (a) Whether the collections of information that are the subject of this notice are necessary for the proper performance of the agencies' functions, including whether the information has practical utility;
- (b) The accuracy of the agencies' estimates of the burden of the information collections as they are proposed to be revised, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (c) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected:
- (d) Ways to minimize the burden of information collections on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and
- (e) Estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide the information.

Comments submitted in response to the joint notice will be shared among the agencies. All comments will become a matter of public record. Dated: February 15, 2018.

Karen Solomon,

Acting Senior Deputy Comptroller and Chief Counsel, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, February 12, 2018.

Ann E. Misback.

Secretary of the Board.

Dated at Washington, DC, on February 12, 2018.

 $Federal\ Deposit\ Insurance\ Corporation.$

Robert E. Feldman,

Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Tiered Pharmacy Copayments for Medications Update

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: This Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) notice updates the information on Tier 1 medications.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Joseph Duran, Office of Community Care (10D), Veterans Health Administration (VHA), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420, Joseph.Duran2@va.gov, (303) 372–4629 (this is not a toll free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 17.110 of Title 38, Code of Federal Regulations, governs copayments for medications that VA provides to

veterans. Section 17.110 provides the methodologies for establishing the copayment amount for each 30-day or less supply of medication provided by VA on an outpatient basis (other than medication administered during treatment). "Tier 1 medication means a multi-source medication that has been identified using the process described in paragraph (b)(2) of this section."

Section 17.110 provides that a list of Tier 1 medications will either be published as a notice in the **Federal Register** or will be posted on VA's website at www.va.gov/health at least once per year.

Based on the methodologies set forth in § 17.110, this notice updates the list of Tier 1 medications. Not less than once per year, VA will identify a subset of multi-source medications as Tier 1 medications. Only medications that meet all of the criteria in paragraphs (b)(2)(i), (ii), and (iii) will be eligible to be considered Tier 1 medications, and only those medications that meet all of the criteria in paragraph (b)(2)(i) of this section will be assessed using the criteria in paragraphs (b)(2)(ii) and (iii). As of the date of this notice, the Tier 1 medication list at individual VA medical facilities based on the methodologies in § 17.110 will be posted on VA's website at www.va.gov/ health under the heading "Tier 1 Copay Medication List."

The following table is the Tier 1 Copay Medication List that is effective January 1, 2018, and will remain in effect until December 31, 2018.

Condition	VA product name
Arthritis & Pain	Aspirin buffered tablet. Aspirin chewable tablet. Aspirin enteric coated tablet. Allopurinol tablet. Diclofenac Sodium EC tablet. Ibuprofen tablet. Meloxicam tablet. Naproxen tablet.
Blood Thinners & Platelet Inhibitors.	Clopidogrel Bisulfate tablet. Warfarin Sodium tablet.
Bone Health	Alendronate tablet. Atorvastatin tablet. Gemfibrozil tablet. Lovastatin tablet. Niacin (Slo-Niacin) tablet. Pravastatin tablet. Simvastatin tablet.
Dementia	Donepezil tablet. Glipizide tablet. Metformin HCL tablet. Metformin HCL 24hr (SA) tablet.
Electrolyte Supplement	Potassium SA tablet. Potassium SA Dispersible tablet.
Gastrointestinal Health	Omeprazole EC capsule. Pantoprazole Sodium EC capsule. Ranitidine tablet.