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Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond

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As someone who has been active in Community Reinvestment issues in California over the past thirty years, I am very concerned that, in terms of deposits, the proposed financial institution will become the fifth largest U.S. bank. This raises complexities about the proposed mergers which necessitate an extended comment period and Federal Reserve public hearings in California.

Regarding my own background, I am the founder and former director of Communities for Accountable Reinvestment as well as Strategic Actions for a Just Economy in Los Angeles. Both organizations have been involved in producing community reinvestment agreements with major financial institutions (Security Pacific, Bank of America, and Washington Mutual); participated in Federal Reserve and Congressional Hearings on these matters; and conducted considerable

community education on banking rights and financial literacy. I currently teach economic development and urban sustainability courses and UCLA and Antioch universities.

The scale of profit-making activities that the proposed new institution anticipates, demands a significant community development commitment. To accomplish that, it is critical that public hearings be held in San Francisco and Los Angeles so that the communities impacted by the proposed institution can speak to those impacts and community needs before any decision on the application is made.

Please respond in writing to this letter and place a copy in Capital One's public CRA file.

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Re: Application by Capital One Financial Corporation, to acquire 100% of the voting securities of ING Bank, FSB, Wilmington, Delaware, and subsidiaries, and thereby engage in the activities related to operating a federal savings bank, investment financial advisory and securities brokerage services

Dear Mr. Drimer:

We write to call on the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond to extend the public comment period and hold public hearings on Capital One Financial Corporation's proposed merger with ING Bank. According to Capital One, the merger would make the bank the fifth largest in the country by deposits – turning Capital One into yet another bank that is too big to fail.

The days of the Federal Reserve's simply rubber-stamping enormous merger applications, notwithstanding significant evidence of banks' predatory products and practices, are over. There is too much at stake – in terms of systemic risk, as well as community reinvestment and fair credit access across the country – for the Federal Reserve to proceed without the public input that a proposed merger of this magnitude demands.

The initial 30-day period was wholly insufficient to enable the public a meaningful opportunity to comment. We call on the Richmond Fed to extend the comment period to October 22, 2011, at the earliest, and to hold a series of public hearings, for the following reasons:

- If we have learned anything from the financial meltdown and ensuing bank bailouts, it is that banks should not be permitted to operate at a scale that is too big to fail. It boggles the mind that the Fed would even contemplate permitting the creation of yet another behemoth banking institution.

- Capital One has announced two gigantic acquisitions – of ING Bank and HSBC’s domestic credit card business – which the Richmond Fed should consider together, not as isolated or unrelated acquisitions.
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The Federal Reserve Board of Governors has a legal responsibility under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act to prohibit bank mergers when a merger would create a bank that may pose serious risks to the financial stability of the United States. Without an adequate comment period, public hearings and rigorous analysis of the effects of the proposed merger by the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, the Board cannot fulfill its duty to ensure the ongoing stability of the U.S. financial system and may create yet another bank that is too big to fail.

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The proposed merger of Capital One and ING Bank would increase the size and systemic risk of Capital One. Capital One’s plan to increase its subprime credit card lending using ING Bank’s

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NEDAP is a community economic justice resource center in New York City, founded in 1995. We operate the NYC Financial Justice Hotline, which serves low income New Yorkers aggrieved by unfair and discriminatory banking and debt collection practices. Since we launched the hotline five years ago, we have received hundreds of complaints about Capital One's abusive lending and debt collection practices. In fact, in 2011, we received more requests for assistance with debt collection cases brought by Capital One than for any other creditor. We have seen firsthand that Capital One often fails to follow state and federal laws that protect exempt income, such as Social Security benefits, from debt collection. The bank has engaged in predatory practices, including offering borrowers multiple high-fee, low credit limit cards rather than a single, higher credit limit card.

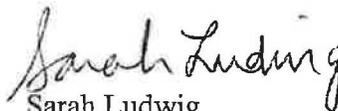
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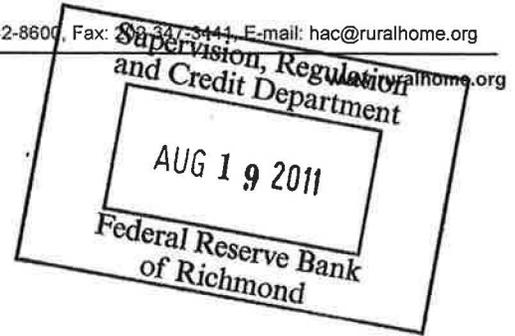
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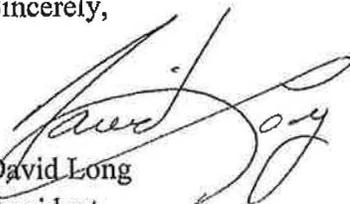
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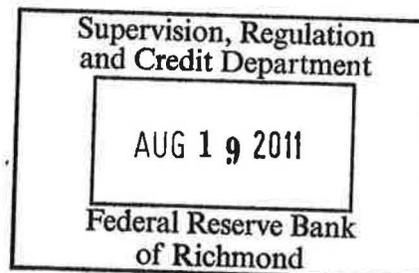
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Capital One Bank's financial contributions to TSAHC have allowed us to compensate nonprofit housing counseling agencies for the foreclosure mitigation counseling sessions they provide to homeowners who are facing foreclosure. In addition, Capital One Bank has been a generous contributor to the Texas Statewide Homebuyer Education Program which provides continuing education to the nonprofit housing counselors who provide homebuyer education and foreclosure counseling to families. Capital One Bank's funding of this program lessens the cost of the training for the counseling organizations.

We are thrilled to have Capital One as a partner in our efforts to help families facing foreclosure or in need of homebuyer education. If you have any questions or if I can be of assistance, please feel free to contact me at 512-477-3568 or dlong@tsahc.org.

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