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Proposal: 1442 (RIN 7100-AD 87) Regs H, Q, & Y Regulatory Capital Rules
Subject: Regs H & Y Regulatory Capital Proposals

Comments:

I am sending this email to request that community banks be exempt from Basel III. The implementation of Basel III is going to have a strong negative impact on community banking. Applying large bank standards to small community banks is a huge mistake. I work for a community bank and we are well capitalized under current regulatory guidelines. In order to remain well capitalized under Basel III we will have to limit the types and amount of loan dollars available to our community, thus having a negative impact on the communities we service.

Our loan portfolio already suffers from the impact of other regulations implemented because of large bank issues. This regulation is just another attempt to force community banks to sell, merge, or close all together.

Imagine what will happen when the big banks continue to struggle (by making poor loan and investment decisions) and there are no small community banks to bail them out. Our economy is struggling enough and the government cannot continue to bail them out. If there are no community banks to bail them out, then who will?

Please support your community banks and exempt them from Basel III requirements!

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