Meeting Between Staff of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland and Representatives of the Office of the Governor of Ohio, Community Development Financial Institutions, Woman Owned Businesses, and Nonprofits
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Summary: Staff of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland met with representatives of the Office of the Governor of Ohio, community development financial institutions (CDFIs), woman owned businesses, and nonprofits regarding the Federal Reserve Board’s advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPR) on an approach to modernize regulations that implement the Community Reinvestment Act (CRA). Participants discussed the CRA ANPR’s proposals related to CDFIs, woman owned businesses, and nonprofits, including the Community Development Financing Subtest and providing CRA credit at the institution level for investments in women-owned financial institutions that are outside of assessment areas or eligible states or regions.