Meeting Between Staff of the Federal Reserve System and Representatives of Large Banks
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Summary: Staff of the Federal Reserve System participated in a meeting with representatives of large banks that participate in the supervisory stress test program to receive feedback on the package of proposals issued by the Board for public comment that would increase transparency of its stress testing program (together, the transparency proposal). Representatives viewed the transparency proposal as a step forward in reducing uncertainty around the Federal Reserve’s supervisory stress test and models.

Representatives shared their thoughts about the types of enhanced disclosure that they would find most helpful. Representatives expressed concern about the principles of independence and consistency described in the Stress Testing Policy Statement. In addition, representatives expressed concern that proposed amendments to limit procyclicality in scenario design would result in scenarios that are overly conservative.