

well as the public version, as described above will be kept in paper form. Accordingly, EPA will transfer all comments received electronically into printed, paper form as they are received and will place the paper copies in the official record, which will also include all comments submitted directly in writing. The official rulemaking record is the paper record maintained at the address in "ADDRESSES" at the beginning of this notice.

#### VI. Existing Stocks

For the purposes of this notice, existing stocks are defined as those stocks of the propargite products with the EPA registration numbers 400-82, 400-83, 400-89, 400-104, 400-154, 400-426, and 400-427 that are labeled with any of the ten uses subject to deletion by this notice and were packaged, labeled, and/or released for shipment prior to April 26, 1996.

EPA has an established policy for determinations concerning the sale, distribution, and use of existing stocks of pesticides where the registration has been amended, cancelled, or suspended under FIFRA sections 3, 4, or 6 dated June 26, 1991, (56 FR 29362). That policy states that in cases where EPA has identified a significant risk concern and the registration has been amended, EPA will make existing stocks determinations on a case-by-case basis. In most cases EPA will not permit the continued sale, distribution, or use of a product labeled with deleted uses unless it can be demonstrated that the benefits exceed the risks. EPA reserves the right to amend this existing stocks provision, should conditions warrant such amendment.

EPA has determined that the limited continued sale and use of existing stocks of propargite products labeled for the deleted uses permitted under paragraphs (1) and (2) of the terms and conditions contained in section IV of this notice, will not cause unreasonable adverse effects. Under these provisions, Uniroyal will not sell or distribute any propargite products containing the deleted uses. In addition, Uniroyal will relabel stocks at the distributor and retailer levels to reflect the deletion of the ten uses. Uniroyal will also accept return of products from users. Accordingly, EPA believes very little product labeled for use on the proposed deleted crops will be used during the 1996 growing season.

#### VII. Proposed Use Deletion/ Cancellation Order

The following Use Deletion/  
Cancellation Order and Approval of

Uniroyal's request for deletion of uses will take effect on August 1, 1996 unless before that date EPA publishes a notice in the Federal Register modifying this proposed order.

EPA approves Uniroyal's request for deletion of the apple, apricot, cranberry, fig, green bean, lima bean, peach, pear, plum, and strawberry uses from the propargite products with EPA registration numbers 400-82, 400-83, 400-89, 400-104, 400-154, 400-426, and 400-427, effective August 1, 1996 notice. All propargite products containing instructions for use on apples, apricots, cranberries, figs, green beans, lima beans, peaches, pears, plums, or strawberries are cancelled, effective August 1, 1996 notice.

#### List of Subjects

Environmental protection,  
Agricultural commodities, Pesticides  
and pests.

Dated: April 26, 1996.

Daniel M. Barolo,  
*Director, Office of Pesticide Programs.*

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### FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION

[BM-23-APR-96-02]

#### Policy Statement on Association Structure

**AGENCY:** Farm Credit Administration.  
**ACTION:** Policy statement.

**SUMMARY:** Section 7.8 of the Farm Credit Act of 1971, as amended, provides the Farm Credit Administration (FCA) with the authority to approve mergers of unlike associations. With limited exceptions, the FCA has not allowed unlike association mergers unless the territories of the merging entities have been the same. The FCA Board will now consider merger requests from unlike associations whose territories are not the same when such mergers promote efficiencies and improve services to borrowers, provided the resulting institutions are financially viable and any adverse impact on other Farm Credit System institutions is minimal. The FCA Board Policy Statement on Association Structure describes the criteria it will consider when acting on such merger requests. However, nothing in the Policy Statement limits the FCA Board's discretion with respect to charter requests.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** April 23, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Elna J. Luopa, Chief, Corporate Affairs

Division, Office of Special Supervision and Corporate Affairs, (703) 883-4475; or Victor A. Cohen, Associate General Counsel, Regulatory Enforcement Division, Office of General Counsel, Farm Credit Administration, 1501 Farm Credit Drive, McLean Virginia 22102-5090, (703) 883-4020, TDD (703) 883-4444.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The text of the Board's policy statement on association structure is set forth below in its entirety:

Farm Credit Administration Board  
Policy Statement on Association  
Structure, BM-23-APR-96-02, FCA-  
PS-70

*Effective Date:* April 23, 1996.

*Effect on Previous Action:* Supersedes FCA-PS-27 [BM-21-NOV-88-02] and FCA-PS-30 [BM-06-JAN-89-07].

*Source of Authority:* Sections 5.17, 7.8, and 7.11 of the Farm Credit Act of 1971, as amended.

In the interest of providing the highest quality and most efficient service to agricultural borrowers, the Farm Credit Administration (FCA) encourages Farm Credit System (System) institutions to select structural options that are most conducive to that goal. The FCA Board will favor charter requests that promote such efficiency, provided they result in viable financial institutions and any adverse effect on other System institutions is minimal.

The FCA believes that agricultural credit associations (ACAs), formed pursuant to section 7.8(a) of the Farm Credit Act of 1971, as amended, can promote such efficiency because of their ability to offer a broad array of services to borrowers. However, when the chartered territories of the merging associations are not identical, the FCA must determine whether to disapprove the merger application or to charter an ACA with (1) Full lending authority throughout its territory, resulting in competition with one or more adjoining associations; or (2) different lending authorities in different parts of its territory (bifurcated charter) with exclusive lending authorities in the common territory. Except for several ACAs formed as a result of section 411 of the Agricultural Credit Act of 1987, the FCA generally has denied charter requests for the merger of unlike associations when the boundaries of the merging entities were not the same. These actions were taken to protect exclusive charters, to discourage intra-System competition, and to prevent the administrative difficulties caused by bifurcated charters. The FCA Board prefers charters that authorize a full range of services throughout an ACA's

territory. However, the FCA recognizes that permitting only exclusive, full-service ACA charters would limit the potential for achieving additional structural efficiencies at the association level when voluntary realignment cannot be achieved.

Consequently, the FCA Board has determined that, in acting on ACA charter requests, it will attempt to strike an appropriate balance between the efficiencies gained from the merger and any potential adverse impact the requested charter may have on borrowers, other associations, and the System. While the Board prefers that the affected associations resolve their territorial issues to permit the chartering of non-overlapping, full-service ACAs, the Board will not rule out granting a permanent, full-service charter that overlaps another association's territory if the adverse effect caused by any resulting competition is minimal, especially when the affected association board(s) consents. Any institution whose charter would be affected by such a merger request would have the opportunity to comment on the request. Should a nonexclusive charter be issued, the FCA Board would consider an application from an affected association(s) to convert to an ACA or for some other reasonable alternative. In addition, the Board may approve a request for a bifurcated charter when administrative difficulties are outweighed by the benefits to be derived. However, since the Board believes a bifurcated charter should be an interim step to a full-service ACA, it encourages the newly formed ACA and the affected association(s) to continue to work toward territorial realignment and full-service, non-overlapping ACAs.

Nothing in this policy statement shall limit the Board's discretion with respect to charter requests. Each request will be considered on its individual merits. In exercising its discretion, the Board will consider the following factors and any other factors the Board determines relevant at the time of the request.

1. Projected operating efficiencies to be realized as a result of the merger.
2. Projected improvements in the quality and range of services to be offered borrowers.
3. Potential for adverse financial consequences on other associations because of any competition that will result, and whether the affected association board(s) consents to the competition.
4. The effects of other alternatives that may be requested by either the merging constituents or any affected association(s).

This policy statement supersedes the November 221, 1988 FCA Board Policy Statement on Granting Nonexclusive Charters to Associations and the January 6, 1989 FCA Board Policy Statement on Section 411 Mergers Resulting in Nonexclusive Charters.

Adopted this 23rd day of April, 1996 by order of the Board.

Dated: April 29, 1996.

Floyd Fithian,

Secretary, Farm Credit Administration Board.  
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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### Notice of Public Information Collections being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission; Comments Requested

April 29, 1996.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Communications, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burden invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) that does not display a valid control number. Comments are requested concerning (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimates; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Written comments should be submitted on or before July 2, 1996. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contact listed below as soon as possible.

**ADDRESS:** Direct all comments to Dorothy Conway, Federal Communications, Room 234, 1919 M

St., NW., Washington, DC 20554 or via internet to [dconway@fcc.gov](mailto:dconway@fcc.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For additional information or copies of the information collections contact Dorothy Conway at 202-418-0217 or via internet at [dconway@fcc.gov](mailto:dconway@fcc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*OMB Approval Number:* 3060-0641.

*Title:* Notification to File Progress Report.

*Form No.:* FCC Form 218-I.

*Type of Review:* Revision of existing collection.

*Respondents:* Businesses or other for-profit, Individuals or households.

*Number of Respondents:* 587.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 1 hour.

*Total Annual Burden:* 587 hours.

*Needs and Uses:* The data collected is used by Commission staff to determine whether the licensee is entitled to their authorization to operate. From this data, the Commission is able to confirm that service has been made available to at least 30 percent of the population or land area within three years of license grant and 50 percent of the population or land area within five years of license grant. The data collected ensures licensees are making proper use of the frequency spectrum.

The Commission's rules were recently revised to eliminate the requirement for a progress report at the conclusion of the one year benchmark, thereby decreasing the burden on the applicant and the Commission.

Federal Communications Commission.

William F. Caton,

Acting Secretary.

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## FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

### Policy Statement on the Fitness and Integrity of Lessors of Real Property to the FDIC

**AGENCY:** Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

**ACTION:** Statement of policy; correction.

**SUMMARY:** In the statement of policy beginning on page 5554 in the issue of Tuesday, February 13, 1996, make the following correction:

Change the reference "paragraph III.B. (1) through (4)" to "paragraph III.B. (1) through (5)" each time it appears in the following places:

- On page 5555, in the third column, in paragraph V.A. (1)(b);
- On page 5556, in the second column, in paragraph V.B. (1)(a), and in the third column in paragraph V.B.(4).