

the assessment payment due for deposit insurance protection.

### Request for Comment

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the FDIC's functions, including whether the information has practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the estimates of the burden of the information collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

At the end of the comment period, the comments and recommendations received will be analyzed to determine the extent to which the collection should be modified prior to submission to OMB for review and approval. Comments submitted in response to this notice also will be summarized or included in the FDIC's requests to OMB for renewal of this collection. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated at Washington, D.C., this 20th day of May 1999.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

**Robert E. Feldman,**

*Executive Secretary,*

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## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Meeting

**AGENCY:** Federal Election Commission.

**DATE & TIME:** Friday, August 6, 1999 at 9:00 a.m. Saturday, August 7, 1999 a.m.

**PLACE:** The Westin Hotel, 909 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611.

**NAME:** Federal Election Commission Election Administration Advisory Panel.

**STATUS:** The Advisory Panel Meeting is Open to the public, dependent on available space.

In accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. I) and Office of Management and Budget Circular A-63, as revised, the Federal Election Commission announces the 1999 Advisory Panel meeting.

**ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:** The FEC's 1999 Report to Congress on the NVRA, U.S. Motor Voter Law vs. Canadian National Register of Elections, Accessibility in

the Voting Process, Biometrics and its Relationship to Voting on the Internet, The Year 2000 Census Report, Election Case Law Update, Recent Developments in Contested Elections, the FEC Voting Systems Standards Project.

**PURPOSE OF THE MEETING:** The Panel will present their views on problems in the administration of Federal elections, and formulate recommendations to the Federal Election Commission Office of Election Administration for its future program development.

Any member of the public may file a written statement with the Panel before, during, or after the meeting. To the extent that time permits, Panel Chair may allow public presentation or oral statements at the meeting.

**PERSON TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION:** Ms. Penelope Bonsall, Director, Office of Election Administration, Telephone: (202) 694-1095.

**Marjorie W. Emmons,**

*Secretary of the Commission.*

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## FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE BOARD

### Forum on Successful Mortgage Lending Practices in Indian Country

**AGENCY:** Federal Housing Finance Board.

**ACTION:** Notice of forum.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Housing Finance Board (Finance Board) is hereby announcing a Forum on Successful Mortgage Lending Practices in Indian Country.

**DATES:** The forum will be held on May 27, 1999 beginning at 9:30 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The forum will be held at the Office of Thrift Supervision Amphitheater, 1700 G Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20552.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Roberta Youmans, Program Analyst, Community Investment Division, at (202) 408-2581, or Naomi Salus, Director, Office of Public Affairs at (202) 408-2957, Federal Housing Finance Board, 1777 F Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** There is a well-established need for housing and particularly homeownership among Native Americans. Between 1992 and 1996, only 91 conventional loans were closed on trust lands, and 80 of those were made to the members of two tribes. The absence of a private lending and real estate market has taken a toll on many Indian communities. Forty percent of housing in tribal areas lacks

basic amenities like indoor plumbing and bathrooms. Twenty-one percent of reservation housing is overcrowded—a rate nearly ten times larger than that for the United States generally.

The forum will focus on success stories: solutions to critical problems that have prevented homeownership. Tribal housing directors, tribal families and bankers will share information on how to join together to achieve homeownership.

One outcome is for tribes to begin using funds more creatively and lenders to start to recognize the market potential of lending in Indian country.

The Native American Housing and Self-Determination Act of 1996 represented a watershed by replacing traditional government housing programs with block grants. But to move Indian Country's housing into the 21st century, policy makers and industry professionals must encourage and help replicate successful initiatives.

The Finance Board is co-sponsoring the forum with the National American Indian Housing Council (NAIHC). Through research, training and technical assistance, NAIHC encourages the development of greater housing and homeownership opportunities for Native Americans. Through its Mortgage Partnership Program it also assists financial institutions in providing greater lending on reservations through educational forums and direct means.

Forum moderators are: Bruce Morrison, Chairman, Federal Housing Finance Board; J. Timothy O'Neill, Director, Federal Housing Finance Board; Chester Carl, Chairman, National American Indian Housing Council and Executive Director, Navajo Housing Authority; John Williamson, Vice Chairman, National American Indian Housing Council and Executive Director, Lower Elwha Housing Authority; Jacqueline Johnson, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Native American Programs, United States Department of Housing and Urban Development; and Christopher D. Boesen, Executive Director, National American Indian Housing Council.

By the Federal Housing Finance Board.

**Bruce A. Morrison,**

*Chairman.*

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## FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

### Notice of Proposal to Organize an Edge Corporation

An application has been submitted for the Board's approval of the organization