DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Business-Cooperative Service

Rural Housing Service

Rural Utilities Service

[Docket No. RUS–22–Agency–0032]

OneRD Annual Notice of Guarantee Fee Rates, Periodic Retention Fee Rates, Loan Guarantee Percentage and Fee for Issuance of the Loan Note Guarantee Prior to Construction Completion for Fiscal Year 2023


ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Rural Business-Cooperative Service (RBCS), Rural Housing Service (RHS), and the Rural Utilities Service (RUS), agencies of the Rural Development mission area within the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), hereinafter collectively referred to as the Agency, offer loan guarantees to applicants with the Guarantee Fee rates, Guarantee percentage for Guaranteed Loans, the Periodic Retention Fee, and Fee for Issuance of the Loan Note Guarantee Prior to Construction Completion for Fiscal Year 2023, to be used when applying for guaranteed loans under the guaranteed loan types listed above. This notice is being published prior to the passage of a FY 2023 appropriation. Should the fees need to be adjusted after passage of the FY 2023 appropriations, the agency will publish a subsequent notice in the Federal Register.

DATES: The fees in this notice are effective October 1, 2022.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information specific to this notice contact Michele Brooks, Director, Regulations Management, Rural Development Innovation Center—Regulations Management, USDA, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250–1322. Telephone: (202) 690–1078. Email: michele.brooks@usda.gov. For information regarding implementation, contact your respective Rural Development State Office listed here: https://www.rd.usda.gov/browse-state.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As set forth in 7 CFR part 5001, the Agency is authorized to charge a guarantee fee, a periodic guarantee retention fee, a fee for the issuance of the loan note guarantee prior to construction completion and establish a loan guarantee percentage for guaranteed loans made under this rule. Pursuant to this and other applicable authority, and subject to the current appropriated authority, the Agency is establishing the following for FY 2023:

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<th>Loan type</th>
<th>Guarantee fee (%)</th>
<th>Periodic guarantee retention fee (%)</th>
<th>Loan guarantee percentage (%)</th>
<th>Fee for issuance of loan note guarantee prior to construction completion (%)</th>
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<tr>
<td>B&amp;I</td>
<td>3.00</td>
<td>0.5</td>
<td>80</td>
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<td>B&amp;I Reduced Fee</td>
<td>1.0</td>
<td>0.5</td>
<td>80</td>
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<td>B&amp;I project in a high cost, isolated rural area of the State of Alaska that is not connected to a road system</td>
<td>1.0</td>
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<td>CF</td>
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<td>REAP</td>
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The initial guarantee fee is paid at the time the loan note guarantee is issued. The periodic guarantee retention fee is paid by the lender to the Agency once a year. Payment of the periodic guarantee retention fee is required in order to maintain the enforceability of the guarantee. The fee for issuance of the loan note guarantee prior to construction completion DOES NOT apply to all construction loans. This additional fee only applies to loans requesting to receive a loan note guarantee prior to project completion. For loans where the loan note guarantee is issued between October 1 and December 31, the first periodic retention fee payment is due January 31 of the second year following the date the loan note guarantee was issued. Unless precluded by a subsequent FY 2023 appropriation, these rates will apply to all guaranteed loans obligated in FY 2023. The amount of the periodic retention fee on each guaranteed loan will be determined by multiplying the periodic retention fee rate by the outstanding principal loan balance as of December 31, multiplied by the percentage of guarantee.
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(2) Email: OAC@usda.gov.

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Justin Maxson,
Deputy Undersecretary, Rural Development.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Agenda and Notice of a Public Meeting of the Maine Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Announcement of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission), and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), that the Maine Advisory Committee to the Commission will hold a virtual meeting for project planning on Monday, July 18, 2022, at 12:00 p.m. (ET).

DATES: Monday, July 18, 2022, at 12:00 p.m. (ET).

ADDRESSES:
Public Web Conference Registration Link (video and audio): http://tinyurl.com/bdeb832; password, if needed: USCCR-ME.

If Joining by Phone Only, Dial: 1–551–285–1373; Meeting ID: 160 062 5641#.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Liliana Schiller at lschiller@usccr.gov or 312–353–8311.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: These meetings are available to the public through the WebEx link above. If joining only via phone, callers can expect to incur charges for calls they initiate over wireless lines, and the Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Individuals who are deaf, deafblind and hard of hearing may also follow the proceedings by first calling the Federal Relay Service at 1–800–877–8339 and providing the Service with the call-in number found through registering at the web link provided for these meetings.

Members of the public are entitled to make comments during the open period at the end of the meetings. Members of the public may also submit written comments; the comments must be received in the Regional Programs Unit within 30 days following the meeting. Written comments may be emailed to the Regional Programs Unit at the above phone number or email address.

Agenda
Monday, July 18, 2022, at 12 p.m. ET

I. Welcome & Roll Call
II. Project Planning
III. Open Comment
IV. Adjourn

Dated: July 3, 2022.

David Mussatt,
Supervisory Chief, Regional Programs Unit.
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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the South Dakota Advisory Committee

AGENCY: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Announcement of public web briefings.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission), and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), that the South Dakota State Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene a briefing on Wednesday, July 27, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. (CT). The purpose of the briefing is to hear from invited presenters on the topic of voting rights in South Dakota.

DATES: Wednesday, July 27, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. (CT).

ADDRESSES:
Public Web Conference Zoom Link (video and audio): https://tinyurl.com/2wfvt9zc; password, if needed: USCCR-SD

If Joining by Phone Only, Dial: 1–551–285–1373; Meeting ID: 161 925 2069#.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Kayla Fajota at kfajota@usccr.gov or 312–353–8311.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is available to the public through the web link above. If joining only via phone, callers can expect to incur charges for calls they initiate over wireless lines, and the Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Individuals who are deaf, deafblind and hard of hearing may also follow the proceedings by first calling the Federal Relay Service at 1–800–877–8339 and providing the Service with conference details found through registering at the web link above. To request other accommodations, please email kfajota@usccr.gov at least 10 business days prior to the meeting for which accommodations are requested.

Members of the public are entitled to make comments during the open period at the end of the meeting. Members of the public may also submit written comments; the comments must be received in the Regional Programs Unit within 30 days following the meeting. Written comments may be emailed to

Dated: July 3, 2022.

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Supervisory Chief, Regional Programs Unit.
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