

NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION Washington, D.C. 20456

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Office of General Counsel

Legal Services Staff Office of the Federal Register 1100 L Street, N.W. Room 8401 Washington, D.C. 20408

HAND DELIVER

Re: Proposed rule 53 Fed. Reg. 29990

Dear Sir/Madam:

This is in response to your proposed rule concerning changes in policies and procedures followed by the Federal Register in publication of agency regulations.

In general, we agree with the proposed changes. We have only one specific comment. You propose to add a Section 8.01 to your regulations [1 C.F.R. 8.01] that will require an agency to "immediately" publish a document in the Federal Register when an agency's regulations are adversely affected (either permanently or temporarily) by a court decision. The document must notify the public of the litigation and its effect. A similar requirement is set forth for regulations that are modified, suspended or rendered ineffective by Act of Congress. We request that the term "immediately" be modified. It would be impossible for the National Credit Union Administration and other agencies to "immediately" produce such a document when a complex substantive regulation(s) has been affected by court decision or Act of

Congress. We suggest that "immediately" be replaced by the phrase "as soon as practical given the complexity of the regulation affected."

Thank you for giving us this opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

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