OTS Submits Comment Letter on Home Valuation Code and Agreements

Washington, D.C. -- The Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) filed a formal comment letter yesterday with Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac and the Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight regarding their agreement with the New York Attorney General to establish a code of conduct for real estate appraisal practices.

The OTS submitted the letter because of concern about the economic consequences that the code of conduct could have on the federal housing and mortgage markets.

A copy of the letter is attached and is available on the OTS website at www.ots.treas.gov


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