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CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU

12 CFR Parts 1022, 1002, and 1026

Agency Contact Information; Technical Corrections

AGENCY: Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.

ACTION: Final rule; correction.

SUMMARY: On March 20, 2023, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (Bureau or CFPB) published the "Agency Contact Information" final rule in the *Federal Register*. The Bureau has identified four clerical errors in that final rule. These errors are found in the Federal agency contact information that must be provided with Equal Credit Opportunity Act adverse action notices in appendix A to Regulation B, the Fair Credit Reporting Act Summary of Consumer Rights in appendix K to Regulation V, and a Bureau website address where the public may access certain APR tables referenced in comment appendix J-2 to Regulation Z. This document corrects these errors.

DATES: This correction is effective on [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Luke Diamond, Counsel or Ruth Van Veldhuizen, Senior Counsel, Office of Regulations, at 202-435-7700. If you require this document in an alternative electronic format, please contact CFPB_Accessibility@cfpb.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On March 20, 2023, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (Bureau or CFPB) published the "Agency Contact Information" final rule in the Federal Register. This final rule made non-substantive corrections and updates to Bureau and other Federal agency contact information found at certain locations in Regulations B, E, F, J, V, X, Z, and DD, including Federal agency contact information that must be provided with Equal Credit Opportunity Act adverse action notices and the Fair Credit Reporting Act Summary of Consumer Rights. This final rule also revised the chapter heading, made various non-substantive

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changes to Regulations B and V, and provided a Bureau website address where the public may access certain APR tables referenced in Regulation Z.

The Bureau has identified four clerical errors in the final rule. First, in appendix A to Regulation B, "National Credit Union Administration, Office of Consumer Financial Protection (OCFP), Division of Consumer Compliance Policy and Outreach, 1775 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314" should read "National Credit Union Administration, Office of Consumer Financial Protection (OCFP), 1775 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314." Second, on page two of the Fair Credit Reporting Act Summary of Consumer Rights (found in appendix K to Regulation V), the toll-free opt out phone number listed as 1-800-XXX-XXXX should read 1-888-567-8688. Third, on page four of the Fair Credit Reporting Act Summary of Consumer Rights, "Assistant General Counsel for Office of Aviation Protection" should read "Assistant General Counsel for Office of Aviation Consumer Protection." Fourth, in comment appendix J-2 to Regulation Z, https://www.consumerfinance.gov//resources/applicable-requirements/annual-percentage-rate-tables/ should read https://www.consumerfinance.gov/compliance/compliance-resources/other-applicable-requirements/annual-percentage-rate-tables/.

Regulatory Requirements: The Bureau finds that public comment on this correction is unnecessary because the Bureau is correcting inadvertent, technical errors, about which there is minimal, if any, basis for substantive disagreement. Because no notice of proposed rulemaking is required, the Regulatory Flexibility Act does not require an initial or final regulatory flexibility analysis. The Bureau has determined that these corrections do not impose any new or revise any existing recordkeeping, reporting, or disclosure requirements on covered entities or members of the public that would be collections of information requiring OMB approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act.

List of Subjects

12 CFR Part 1002

Aged, Banks, Banking, Civil rights, Consumer protection, Credit, Credit unions, Discrimination, Fair lending, Marital status discrimination, National banks, National origin discrimination, Penalties, Race discrimination, Religious discrimination, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Savings associations, Sex discrimination.

12 CFR Part 1022

Banks, Banking, Consumer protection, Credit unions, Fair Credit Reporting Act, Holding companies, National banks, Privacy, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Savings associations, State member banks.

12 CFR Part 1026

Advertising, Appraisal, Appraiser, Banking, banks, Consumer protection, Credit, Credit unions, Mortgages, National banks, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Savings associations, Truth in lending.

Authority and Issuance

For the reasons set forth above, the Bureau amends 12 CFR chapter X, as set forth below:

PART 1002—EQUAL CREDIT OPPORTUNITY ACT (REGULATION B)

1. The authority citation for part 1002 continues to read as follows:

AUTHORITY: 12 U.S.C. 5512, 5581; 15 U.S.C. 1691b.

2. Revise appendix A to read as follows:

Appendix A to Part 1002—Federal Agencies to be Listed in Adverse Action Notices

The following list indicates the Federal agency or agencies that should be listed in notices provided by creditors pursuant to § 1002.9(b)(1). Any questions concerning a particular creditor may be directed to such agencies. This list is not intended to describe agencies' enforcement authority for ECOA and Regulation B. Terms that are not defined in the Federal Deposit

Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813(s)) shall have the meaning given to them in the International Banking Act of 1978 (12 U.S.C. 3101).

- 1. Banks, savings associations, and credit unions with total assets of over \$10 billion and their affiliates: Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, 1700 G Street NW, Washington, DC 20552. Such affiliates that are not banks, savings associations, or credit unions also should list, in addition to the Bureau: Federal Trade Commission, Consumer Response Center, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20580.
 - 2. To the extent not included in item 1 above:
- a. *National Banks, Federal savings associations, and Federal branches and Federal agencies of foreign banks:* Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Customer Assistance Group, P.O. Box 53570, Houston, TX 77052.
- b. State member banks, branches and agencies of foreign banks (other than Federal branches, Federal agencies, and insured State branches of foreign banks), commercial lending companies owned or controlled by foreign banks, and organizations operating under section 25 or 25A of the Federal Reserve Act: Federal Reserve Consumer Help Center, P.O. Box 1200, Minneapolis, MN 55480.
- c. *Nonmember Insured Banks, Insured State Branches of Foreign Banks, and Insured State Savings Associations:* Division of Depositor and Consumer Protection, National Center for Consumer and Depositor Assistance, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, 1100 Walnut Street, Box #11, Kansas City, MO 64106.
- d. *Federal Credit Unions:* National Credit Union Administration, Office of Consumer Financial Protection (OCFP), 1775 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314.
- 3. *Air Carriers:* Assistant General Counsel for Office of Aviation Consumer Protection, Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590.

- 4. *Creditors Subject to Surface Transportation Board:* Office of Public Assistance, Governmental Affairs, and Compliance, Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20423.
- 5. *Creditors Subject to Packers and Stockyards Act:* Nearest Packers and Stockyards Division Regional Office.
- 6. *Small Business Investment Companies:* Associate Administrator, Office of Capital Access, United States Small Business Association, 409 Third Street SW, Suite 8200, Washington, DC 20416.
- 7. *Brokers and Dealers:* Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549.
- 8. Federal Land Banks, Federal Land Bank Associations, Federal Intermediate Credit Banks, and Production Credit Associations: Farm Credit Administration, 1501 Farm Credit Drive, McLean, VA 22102-5090.
- 9. *Retailers, Finance Companies, and All Other Creditors Not Listed Above:* Federal Trade Commission, Consumer Response Center, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20580.

PART 1022—FAIR CREDIT REPORTING (REGULATION V)

3. The authority citation for part 1022 continues to read as follows:

AUTHORITY: 12 U.S.C. 5512, 5581; 15 U.S.C. 1681a, 1681b, 1681c, 1681c-1, 1681c-3, 1681e, 1681g, 1681i, 1681j, 1681m, 1681s, 1681s-2, 1681s-3, and 1681t; Sec. 214, Pub. L. 108-159, 117 Stat. 1952.

4. Revise appendix K to read as follows:

Appendix K to Part 1022—Summary of Consumer Rights

The prescribed form for this summary is a disclosure that is substantially similar to the Bureau's model summary with all information clearly and prominently displayed. The list of Federal regulators that is included in the Bureau's prescribed summary may be provided separately so long as this is done in a clear and conspicuous way. A summary should accurately

reflect changes to those items that may change over time (e.g., dollar amounts, or telephone numbers and addresses of Federal agencies) to remain in compliance. Translations of this summary will be in compliance with the Bureau's prescribed model, provided that the translation is accurate and that it is provided in a language used by the recipient consumer.

Para información en español, visite <u>www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore</u> o escribe a la Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, 1700 G Street NW, Washington, DC 20552.

A Summary of Your Rights Under the Fair Credit Reporting Act

The federal Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA) promotes the accuracy, fairness, and privacy of information in the files of consumer reporting agencies. There are many types of consumer reporting agencies, including credit bureaus and specialty agencies (such as agencies that sell information about check writing histories, medical records, and rental history records). Here is a summary of your major rights under FCRA. For more information, including information about additional rights, go to www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore or write to: Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, 1700 G Street NW, Washington, DC 20552.

- You must be told if information in your file has been used against you. Anyone who uses a credit report or another type of consumer report to deny your application for credit, insurance, or employment or to take another adverse action against you must tell you, and must give you the name, address, and phone number of the agency that provided the information.
- You have the right to know what is in your file. You may request and obtain all the information about you in the files of a consumer reporting agency (your "file disclosure"). You will be required to provide proper identification, which may include your Social Security number. In many cases, the disclosure will be free. You are entitled to a free file disclosure if:
 - a person has taken adverse action against you because of information in your credit report;
 - o you are the victim of identity theft and place a fraud alert in your file;
 - o your file contains inaccurate information as a result of fraud;
 - o you are on public assistance;
 - o you are unemployed but expect to apply for employment within 60 days.

In addition, all consumers are entitled to one free disclosure every 12 months upon request from each nationwide credit bureau and from nationwide specialty consumer reporting agencies. See www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore for additional information.

- You have the right to ask for a credit score. Credit scores are numerical summaries of your credit-worthiness based on information from credit bureaus. You may request a credit score from consumer reporting agencies that create scores or distribute scores used in residential real property loans, but you will have to pay for it. In some mortgage transactions, you will receive credit score information for free from the mortgage lender.
- You have the right to dispute incomplete or inaccurate information. If you identify information in your file that is incomplete or inaccurate, and report it to the consumer

reporting agency, the agency must investigate unless your dispute is frivolous. See www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore for an explanation of dispute procedures.

- Consumer reporting agencies must correct or delete inaccurate, incomplete, or unverifiable information. Inaccurate, incomplete, or unverifiable information must be removed or corrected, usually within 30 days. However, a consumer reporting agency may continue to report information it has verified as accurate.
- Consumer reporting agencies may not report outdated negative information. In most cases, a consumer reporting agency may not report negative information that is more than seven years old, or bankruptcies that are more than 10 years old.
- Access to your file is limited. A consumer reporting agency may provide information about you only to people with a valid need usually to consider an application with a creditor, insurer, employer, landlord, or other business. The FCRA specifies those with a valid need for access.
- You must give your consent for reports to be provided to employers. A consumer reporting agency may not give out information about you to your employer, or a potential employer, without your written consent given to the employer. Written consent generally is not required in the trucking industry. For more information, go to www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore.
- You may limit "prescreened" offers of credit and insurance you get based on information in your credit report. Unsolicited "prescreened" offers for credit and insurance must include a toll-free phone number you can call if you choose to remove your name and address from the lists these offers are based on. You may opt out with the nationwide credit bureaus at 1-888-567-8688.
- The following FCRA right applies with respect to nationwide consumer reporting agencies:

CONSUMERS HAVE THE RIGHT TO OBTAIN A SECURITY FREEZE

You have a right to place a "security freeze" on your credit report, which will prohibit a consumer reporting agency from releasing information in your credit report without your express authorization. The security freeze is designed to prevent credit, loans, and services from being approved in your name without your consent. However, you should be aware that using a security freeze to take control over who gets access to the personal and financial information in your credit report may delay, interfere with, or prohibit the timely approval of any subsequent request or application you make regarding a new loan, credit, mortgage, or any other account involving the extension of credit.

As an alternative to a security freeze, you have the right to place an initial or extended fraud alert on your credit file at no cost. An initial fraud alert is a 1-year alert that is

placed on a consumer's credit file. Upon seeing a fraud alert display on a consumer's credit file, a business is required to take steps to verify the consumer's identity before extending new credit. If you are a victim of identity theft, you are entitled to an extended fraud alert, which is a fraud alert lasting 7 years.

A security freeze does not apply to a person or entity, or its affiliates, or collection agencies acting on behalf of the person or entity, with which you have an existing account that requests information in your credit report for the purposes of reviewing or collecting the account. Reviewing the account includes activities related to account maintenance, monitoring, credit line increases, and account upgrades and enhancements.

- You may seek damages from violators. If a consumer reporting agency, or, in some cases, a user of consumer reports or a furnisher of information to a consumer reporting agency violates the FCRA, you may be able to sue in state or federal court.
- Identity theft victims and active duty military personnel have additional rights. For more information, visit www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore.

States may enforce the FCRA, and many states have their own consumer reporting laws. In some cases, you may have more rights under state law. For more information, contact your state or local consumer protection agency or your state Attorney General. For information about your federal rights, contact:

TYPE OF BUSINESS:	CONTACT:
1.a. Banks, savings associations, and credit unions with total assets of over \$10 billion and their affiliates	a. Consumer Financial Protection Bureau 1700 G Street NW Washington, DC 20552
b. Such affiliates that are not banks, savings associations, or credit unions also should list, in addition to the CFPB:	b. Federal Trade Commission Consumer Response Center 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20580 (877) 382-4357
2. To the extent not included in item 1 above: a. National banks, federal savings associations, and federal branches and federal agencies of foreign banks	a. Office of the Comptroller of the Currency Customer Assistance Group P.O. Box 53570 Houston, TX 77052
b. State member banks, branches and agencies of foreign banks (other than federal branches, federal agencies, and Insured State Branches of Foreign Banks), commercial lending companies owned or controlled by foreign banks, and organizations operating under section 25 or 25A of the Federal Reserve Act. c. Nonmember Insured Banks, Insured State Branches of Foreign Banks, and insured state savings associations	b. Federal Reserve Consumer Help Center P.O. Box 1200 Minneapolis, MN 55480 c. Division of Depositor and Consumer Protection National Center for Consumer and Depositor Assistance Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation 1100 Walnut Street, Box #11 Kansas City, MO 64106
d. Federal Credit Unions	d. National Credit Union Administration Office of Consumer Financial Protection 1775 Duke Street Alexandria, VA 22314
3. Air carriers	Assistant General Counsel for Office of Aviation Consumer Protection Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590
4. Creditors Subject to the Surface Transportation Board	Office of Public Assistance, Governmental Affairs, and Compliance Surface Transportation Board 395 E Street SW Washington, DC 20423
5. Creditors Subject to the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921	Nearest Packers and Stockyards Division Regional Office
6. Small Business Investment Companies	Associate Administrator, Office of Capital Access United States Small Business Administration 409 Third Street SW, Suite 8200 Washington, DC 20416
7. Brokers and Dealers	Securities and Exchange Commission 100 F Street NE Washington, DC 20549
8. Institutions that are members of the Farm Credit System	Farm Credit Administration 1501 Farm Credit Drive McLean, VA 22102-5090
9. Retailers, Finance Companies, and All Other Creditors Not Listed Above	Federal Trade Commission Consumer Response Center 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20580 (877) 382-4357

PART 1026—TRUTH IN LENDING (REGULATION Z)

5. The authority citation for part 1026 continues to read as follows:

AUTHORITY: 12 U.S.C. 2601, 2603-2605, 2607, 2609, 2617, 3353, 5511, 5512, 5532, 5581; 15 U.S.C. 1601 *et seq*.

6. Supplement I is amended by revising *Appendix J* to read as follows:

Supplement I to Part 1026—Official Interpretations

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Appendix J – Annual Percentage Rate Computations for Closed-End Credit Transactions

- 1. Use of appendix J. Appendix J sets forth the actuarial equations and instructions for calculating the annual percentage rate in closed-end credit transactions. While the formulas contained in this appendix may be directly applied to calculate the annual percentage rate for an individual transaction, they may also be utilized to program calculators and computers to perform the calculations.
- 2. Relation to Bureau tables. The Bureau's Annual Percentage Rate Tables also provide creditors with a calculation tool that applies the technical information in appendix J. An annual percentage rate computed in accordance with the instructions in the tables is deemed to comply with the regulation. Volume I of the tables may be used for credit transactions involving equal payment amounts and periods, as well as for transactions involving any of the following irregularities: odd first period, odd first payment and odd last payment. Volume II of the tables may be used for transactions that involve any type of irregularities. These tables may be obtained from the Bureau, 1700 G Street NW, Washington, DC 20552, upon request. The tables are also available on the Bureau's website at:

https://www.consumerfinance.gov/compliance/compliance-resources/other-applicable-requirements/annual-percentage-rate-tables/.

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