

SHEILA C. BAIR CHAIRMAN

November 19, 2010

Honorable Andre Carson House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

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Honorable Gregory W. Meeks House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Meeks:

Thank you for your letter concerning the definition of a "qualified residential mortgage" for purposes of the risk retention requirements to be established under section 941(b) of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation is working cooperatively with the other financial regulatory organizations to develop proposed regulations that would effectively implement all aspects of section 941(b), including the exception for qualified residential mortgages from any credit risk retention requirement, in a manner consistent with the language and purposes of that section. We will carefully consider your comments as we move forward with this interagency rulemaking process.

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