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OFFICE OF FOREIGN ASSETS CONTROL

Enforcement Guidelines

Summary: The Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) has issued the attached interim final rule on the "Economic Sanctions Enforcement Procedures for Banking Institutions." The interim final rule is effective with enforcement cases involving banking institutions commencing on or after February 13, 2006. OFAC is seeking comments on the interim final rule. Comments are due by March 13, 2006.

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Highlights:

- On January 12, 2006, the Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control published in the *Federal Register* the attached interim final rule on the "Economic Sanctions Enforcement Procedures for Banking Institutions."
- The interim final rule is effective with enforcement cases involving banking institutions commencing on or after February 13, 2006.
- OFAC is seeking written comments on these enforcement guidelines. Comments may be submitted on or before March 13, 2006, to OFAC by the following methods:
 - Through the Federal eRulemaking Portal: www.regulations.gov.
 - Through the agency Web site: www.treas.gov/offices/enforcement/ofac/comment.html.
 - By Fax: Assistant Director of Records, Attn: Request for Comments (Enforcement Procedures), Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20220
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