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Federal Reserve Board
Re: Docket No. R-1225

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation
Re: RIN 3064-AC89

Office of the Comptroller of the Currency
Re: Docket Number 05-04

Dear Sir or Madam:

I urge you to withdraw the proposed new changes under which CRA exams would no longer look at how many branches a bank operates in underserved communities, and banks would no longer have to disclose data on how much credit they provide for community development, small farms, and small businesses. Banks must be held accountable for serving struggling communities, and the public must be able to make sure they are meeting their obligations. The transparency provided by required disclosure is essential to ensuring that the CRA remains effective.

Best,

Mark McGowan