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Proposal: 1442 (RIN 7100-AD 87) Regs H, Q, & Y Regulatory Capital Rules
Subject: Regs H & Y Regulatory Capital Proposals

Comments:

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Re: BasellIII Capital Proposals

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment on the Basel III proposals[1] that were recently issued for public comment by the Federal Reserve Board, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. I am a fourth generation banker and currently serving as President of Teton Banks in FairfieldMT. We are extremely well capitalized and we are because it has been the right thing to do. We retain capital aggressively and do not need to be regulated to the point that BasellIII requires.

We are a community bank and we have a different risk profile than the banks you are attempting to control and punish for the recent financial meltdown.

Please consider relieving the smaller community based banks from this tremendous burden as it will affect our future plans to grow, merge and employ more people.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely

Michael Wm Johnson
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