



July 27, 2020

Robert E. Feldman, Executive Secretary
Attn: Comments/Legal ESS
Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation
550 17th Street NW
Washington, DC 20429

Re: Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation
RIN 3064-AF54

Dear Mr. Feldman:

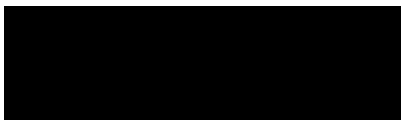
Central Valley Community Bank is a California State chartered bank with deposit accounts insured by the FDIC. With assets of over \$1.9 billion as of June 30, 2020, the Bank operates 21 full-service offices in 16 communities within the San Joaquin Valley and Greater Sacramento Region, and employs nearly 250 team members.

I want to thank you for your leadership in soliciting input on the application requirements for the establishment and relocation of branch offices so that such applications would no longer require statements regarding the compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (NHPA) and the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA).

We are committed to meeting the credit and financial services needs of our customers and communities and we take pride in being a community bank that's flexible to the needs of our clients by establishing new branches or relocating existing branches to better-serve their needs. However; the requirement to provide statements regarding compliance with NHPA and NEPA has been onerous, time-consuming and sometimes difficult to obtain stemming from certain constraints within the **State of California, Department of Parks and Recreation Office of Historic Preservation**. Acquiring a statement of compliance can often times impede or slow-down the application process and so far, historic designation has not proven to be a noteworthy factor when deciding whether or not a branch office can be located in a particular facility or location.

We are very appreciative and we urge you to support the elimination of the compliance statement when establishing or relocating a domestic branch office. Rescinding the filing requirement will prove beneficial to all financial institutions as the application process will become more efficient and in alignment with timing requirements. Again, thank you for your leadership in this endeavor.

Sincerely,



James M. Ford
President & CEO.