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302.01 Single-Asset Entity

Requirements

You must ensure:

- the Borrower is a domestic single-asset entity formed for the sole purpose of owning the Property;
- if the Borrower is ultimately owned by foreign persons or entities, it has at least 1 domestic tier of ownership; and
- you review
  - the Borrower's complete formation documents, and
  - all amendments or restatements.

Guidance

As you analyze the Borrower and its organizational documents to confirm that it has been a single-asset entity since formation, consider the following questions:

- Can the Borrower acquire any additional real property, personal property, or assets?
- Can the Borrower participate in any business other than managing and operating the Property?
- Are the Borrower's assets or funds commingled with anyone else's? If so, can these assets or funds be separated and identified?
- Are the Borrower's financial statements, accounting records, and other organizational documents maintained with anyone else's?
- Has the Borrower assumed, guaranteed, or obligated itself to cover anyone else's liabilities?

Requirements

If the Borrower owns more than a single asset, the Borrower may still qualify as a single asset entity if you:

- Obtain an operating statement for each real property owned.
- Obtain proof that the Borrower has no existing debt secured by a Lien on any of the Borrower's real property, other than a Mortgage Loan

purchased by Fannie Mae.

- Obtain proof that no direct or indirect equity interest in the Borrower is subject to mezzanine financing.
- Ensure that the Loan Documents prohibit the Borrower from
  - acquiring any additional debt (except for supplemental debt on existing Fannie Mae loans),
  - increasing any existing debt, or
  - acquiring any additional real property.

Guidance

As you analyze the Borrower that owns more than a single asset, you should consider whether its other real estate assets are only

- multifamily properties, or
- other types of real estate that do not pose an environmental risk to the Borrower.

Glossary

B

Borrower	Person who is the obligor per the Note. **Synonyms** • Borrowers • Borrower's

L

Lien	Lien, mortgage, bond interest, pledge, security interest, charge, or encumbrance of any kind. **Synonyms** • Liens
Loan Documents	All Fannie Mae-approved documents evidencing, securing, or guaranteeing the Mortgage Loan. **Synonyms** • Loan Document • Mortgage Loan Document • Mortgage Loan Documents

M

Mezzanine Financing	Subordinate debt financing provided to a direct or indirect owner of a Borrower that is secured by a pledge of the direct or indirect equity interest in the Borrower held by the owner, and not by a Lien on the Property.

Mortgage Loan	Mortgage debt obligation evidenced, or when made will be evidenced, by • the Loan Documents, or • a mortgage debt obligation with a Fannie Mae credit enhancement. **Synonyms** • Mortgage Loans • Mortgage Loan's

P

Person	Legal person, including an • individual, • estate, • trust, • corporation, • partnership, • limited liability company, • financial institution, • joint venture, • association, or • other organization or entity (whether governmental or private). **Synonyms** • Persons • Person's
Personal Property	Furniture, fixtures, equipment, and other tangible personal property located on or used in connection with the Property.
Pricing and Underwriting Tier	Tier 1, Tier 2, Tier 3, or Tier 4 per the Multifamily Underwriting Standards (Form 4660). **Synonyms** • Tier

Property	Multifamily residential real estate securing the Mortgage Loan, including the • fee simple or Leasehold interest, • Improvements, and • personal property (per the Uniform Commercial Code). **Synonyms** • Properties • Property's