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# Multifamily Selling and Servicing Guide

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## 503.02 Lender's Responsibilities

### Requirements

You must:

- Obtain all investigations recommended or indicated by the Phase I ESA.
- Conduct a thorough review and analysis of the Phase I ESA.
- Provide the Environmental Professional with all available prior Phase I ESAs, investigations, and any relevant and readily available environmental materials.
- Provide the Appraiser with any documentation from the Phase I ESA necessary to accurately assess the Property's value.
- Identify if the Property's state has an environmental Super Lien Statute and, if so, confirm Property conditions are unlikely to result in the imposition of a super lien having priority over the Security Instrument.
- Disclose to Fannie Mae your knowledge of any actual or suspected environmental conditions affecting the Property, whether or not disclosed in the Phase I ESA.
- Ensure any required Operations and Maintenance Plans (O&M Plans) are obtained and located on the site throughout the Mortgage Loan term.
- Assess the Borrower's ability to carry out any O&M Plan.
- Not Deliver a Mortgage Loan if the Borrower or its agents are not financially or organizationally capable of satisfying the requirements of the O&M Plan.
- Evaluate the potential risk of loss and liability to the Property, the Borrower, you, or Fannie Mae posed by any
  - REC/CREC,
  - Business Environmental Risk, or
  - other environmental condition, whether or not disclosed in the Phase I ESA.

If you become aware of any REC/CREC, you must:

- Obtain a Remediation Plan from the Borrower that
  - is prepared by an Environmental Professional, as required by [Form 4251](#),
  - will protect the health and safety of the residents and bring the



Property into regulatory compliance, and

- includes a cost estimate and schedule for completing the work.
- Add the estimated cost of the Remediation Plan to the Completion/Repair Escrow requirement of the Loan Documents.

#### Guidance

The amount funded into the Completion/Repair Escrow on the Mortgage Loan Origination Date should be at least 125% of the estimated cost of the Remediation Plan.



# Glossary

## A

**Appraiser** Person engaged to estimate a Property's market value per USPAP.

**Synonyms**

- Appraiser's
- Appraisers

## B

**Borrower** Person who is the obligor per the Note.

**Synonyms**

- Borrowers
- Borrower's

**Business Environmental Risk** Risk of material environmental or environmentally-driven impact on the business or property associated with a Property or the past, current or planned use of a Property, including all “non-scope considerations” under current ASTM E 1527, asbestos or asbestos-containing materials, radon, lead-based paint, lead in drinking water, wetlands, regulatory compliance, health and safety, indoor air quality, biological agents, mold, etc.

**Synonyms**

- Business Environmental Risks

## C

**Completion/Repair Escrow** Custodial Account funded on the Mortgage Loan Origination Date for Completion/Repairs or capital improvements per the Loan Documents.

## 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

**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

**Mortgage Loan Origination Date** Date you fund a Mortgage Loan to the Borrower.

**Synonyms**

- Mortgage Loan's Origination Date
- Origination Date

## P

**Phase I ESA** Environmental Site Assessment conducted per the current ASTM E-1527 standard and the resulting report.

**Synonyms**

- Phase I Environmental Site Assessment
- Phase I ESAs



## 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

## S

## Security Instrument

Instrument creating a lien or encumbrance on 1 or more Properties and securing the Loan Document obligations.

### **Synonyms**

- Security Instruments
- Security Instrument's