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218.03B Defeasance Notice

The Servicer must complete the Defeasance Notice ([Form 4622](#)) after verifying the Mortgage Loan is eligible for defeasance and obtaining from the Borrower the date on which the Borrower desires to consummate the Defeasance. The Defeasance Close Date may not be more than 45 calendar days nor less than 30 calendar days after the date on which the Defeasance Notice is received by the Servicer. The Servicer must use the Defeasance Calculator application on the Fannie Mae web site to estimate the Defeasance Deposit and the estimated Defeasance Deposit must be inserted in the appropriate box in the Defeasance Notice. The information on the Defeasance Notice will not be final until it is confirmed by Fannie Mae. Until then, the Defeasance Deposit and other information are estimates. The Defeasance Notice will specify (a) whether a Fannie Mae debt instrument will be offered for use as the substitute collateral and, if not, that U.S. Treasury Securities will be the substitute collateral; and (b) whether the successor entity will be designated by Fannie Mae or Borrower, and (c) the amount of the Defeasance Commitment Fee.

To be effective, the Borrower must execute and send the Defeasance Notice to the Servicer so that the Servicer receives the Defeasance Notice no earlier than 11:00 a.m. and no later than 3:00 p.m. ET on a Business Day.

The Servicer must then sign and execute the Defeasance Notice and fax the Defeasance Notice and a copy of the Note to be defeased to its Fannie Mae Representative.

Fannie Mae must receive the fax by 5:00 p.m. ET on the same day that the Defeasance Deposit was calculated for verification by Fannie Mae.



Glossary

B

Borrower Person who is the obligor per the Note.

Synonyms

- Borrowers
- Borrower's

Business Day Any day other than a

- Saturday,
- Sunday,
- day when Fannie Mae is closed,
- day when the Federal Reserve Bank of New York is closed, or
- for any MBS and required remittance withdrawal, day when the Federal Reserve Bank is closed in the district where any of the MBS funds are held.

Synonyms

- Business Days

C

Commitment Contractual agreement between you and Fannie Mae where Fannie Mae agrees to buy a Mortgage Loan at a future date in exchange for an MBS, or at a specific price for a Cash Mortgage Loan, and you agree to Deliver that Mortgage Loan.

Synonyms

- Committed
- Commitments

D



Defeasance

Transaction where a Property is released from the lien of the Security Instrument and the Lender receives a valid and perfected lien and security interest in substitute collateral acceptable to Fannie Mae and the cash flows thereunder.

F

Fannie Mae Representative

Fannie Mae personnel who assist you with various business matters (e.g., Fannie Mae Deal Team, pricing, delivery, servicing, asset management, etc.).

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

N

Note

Instrument evidencing a Mortgage Loan obligation, including

- [Form 6010 series](#),
- any other Fannie Mae-approved note, and
- all applicable
 - addenda,
 - schedules, and
 - exhibits.

Synonyms

- Notes

S



Servicer

Primary Person servicing the Mortgage Loan, including

- the originator,
- seller, or
- a third party.

Synonyms

- Servicers
- Servicer's