DATE: October 19, 2006

SUBJECT: Interagency guidance on nontraditional mortgage product risks.

HIGHLIGHTS: On September 29, 2006, the Federal Reserve and the other federal

financial institutions regulatory agencies issued the attached *Interagency Guidance on Nontraditional Mortgage Product Risks*. This guidance addresses both risk management and consumer disclosure practices that institutions should employ to effectively assess and manage the risks associated with residential mortgage loans that allow borrowers to defer

repayment of principal and sometimes interest (referred to as

nontraditional mortgage loans).

DOCUMENT

LOCATION: http://www.federalreserve.gov/boarddocs/srletters/2006/SR0615.htm

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