

POLICY UPDATE PROPOSALS - IMMEDIATE ACTION REQUIRED COMMENTS DUE MONDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2008

TO: Common Manual Governing Board Representatives

Interested Industry Groups and Others

FROM: Susan Fields, Chair

Common Manual Policy Committee

RE: Common Manual Policy Updates

[Batch 156: Proposals 1079 - 1089]

DATE: December 5, 2008

Enclosed with this memorandum is the **One Hundred and Fifty-sixth** batch of policy update proposals completed by the Policy Committee.

Policy 1079 is a guarantor policy proposal and is intended to establish an industry standard to provide consistency on an unregulated issue. Policies 1080 – 1089 are federal policy proposals and are intended to align *Common Manual* text with federal regulations and other federal publications.

Every policy update drafted by the Policy Committee must be distributed to each guarantor for comment before it is presented to the Governing Board for review and approval. Every proposal is also sent to higher education organizations and others in the FFELP community who request the opportunity to comment.

Due to the Christmas holiday, the Policy Committee has provided a short extension on the comment period for Batch 156. Please review these policy update proposals and provide written comments by Monday, December 29, 2008, to:

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Following the review of comments received, the Policy Committee will update these proposals and distribute them to each member of the *Common Manual* Governing Board for review and approval at its February 2009 meeting.

If you have any questions about these proposals or the activities of the Policy Committee, please contact Susan Fields 217-524-7931, or by e-mail at sfields@isac.org.

Enclosures: Policy Proposal Transmittal (1)

Common Manual Policy Proposals (1079 - 1089)