

POLICY UPDATE PROPOSALS - IMMEDIATE ACTION REQUIRED COMMENTS DUE FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2008

TO: Common Manual Governing Board Representatives

Interested Industry Groups and Others

FROM: Kim Elston and Brenda Grady, Co-Chairs

Common Manual Policy Committee

RE: Common Manual Policy Updates

[Batch 148: Proposals 1014 - 1022]

DATE: January 11, 2008

Enclosed with this memorandum is the **One Hundred and Forty-eighth** batch of policy update proposals completed by the Policy Committee. Policies 1014 - 1019 are federal policy proposals and are intended to align *Common Manual* text with federal regulations and other federal publications. Policies 1020 - 1022 are correction proposals and are intended to correct or clarify existing *Common Manual* language, or conform existing text in one part of the manual with that already in another cite.

Each policy is presented with a proposed effective date and triggering event based on the Policy Committee's analysis of the most beneficial and trackable trigger, or on draft triggering events presented to the Department by FFELP community participants, if available. Should the proposed policy be approved with these triggering events, and the Department then publish a triggering event that differs from the one published in the common policy, the *Common Manual* guarantors will publish an amended triggering event document to assist schools and lenders in complying with the Department's guidance.

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.

Please review these policy update proposals and provide written comments by Friday, February 1, 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 2008 meeting.

If you have any questions about these proposals or the activities of the Policy Committee, please contact Kim Elston at 405-234-4487 or Brenda Grady at 336-727-9666, or by e-mail at kelston@ogslp.org or at bgrady@usafunds.org.

Enclosures: Policy Proposal Transmittal (1)

Common Manual Policy Proposals (1014 - 1022)