

## Office of the Chief Accountant

# OCC Mutual Savings Associations Advisory Committee

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# Current Expected Credit Losses (CECL)



## **Expected Credit Losses**

 The agencies have supported the expected credit losses approach since 1999

"In fact, many practitioners and users of financial statements believe that the allowance is better described as containing estimates of 'expected' losses, a standard more consistent with prospective measurements of credit performance"

- Interagency Letter to the FASB, April 20, 1999, signed by the Principals of the FDIC, OCC, FRB, and OTC.



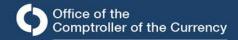
#### **FASB Project Update – Timing**

Final standard: Q1 2016

#### **CECL Effective Dates**

	U.S. GAAP Effective Date	Call Report Effective Date*
Public Business Entities (PBEs)	Fiscal year beginning after 12/15/2018, including interim periods within <b>2019</b>	Q1 2019 (3/31/2019)
Smaller PBEs (Non-SEC filers)	Fiscal year beginning after 12/15/2019, including interim periods within <b>2020</b>	Q1 2020 (3/31/2020)
Non-PBEs	Fiscal year beginning after 12/15/2019, including interim periods beginning AFTER 12/15/2020	Q4 2020 (12/31/2020)
Early Adoption	<u>Smaller PBEs and non-PBEs</u> : permit early adoption using the effective dates for PBEs	

<sup>\*</sup> For banks with calendar year ends.



#### **FASB Project Update – Scope**

Loans		Debt Securities	
Held for Investment	CECL	Held to Maturity	CECL*
Held for Sale	Lower of cost or market	Available for Sale	New credit loss model*
		Trading	FV-NI

\* Under the CECL model, as well as the new credit-loss model for AFS, losses will be reflected for difference between debt security's amortized cost basis and its fair value (LOCOM) when identified for sale

In developing a new credit-loss model for AFS, Board decided that "other-than-temporary" concept should no longer exist



#### The CECL Model

- The CECL model is:
  - Principles based
  - Removes the probable thresholds and the incurred loss notion
  - Introduces a "lifetime" concept for estimating the allowance for credit losses
  - Considers more forward-looking information than is permitted under current U.S. GAAP

## **EARLIER RECOGNITION!**

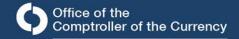


### **CECL: What's Changing**



- Reduction in the number of credit impairment models
  - Distinction between instruments carried at amortized cost vs. fair value-OCI
- Enhanced credit disclosure requirements
  - Disaggregation by vintage of credit quality indicators, such as loan-to-value (LTV) ratios, FICO scores, and risk ratings
- Changes from purchased credit impaired (PCI) to purchased credit deteriorated (PCD) loans
  - New definition "more than insignificant" credit deterioration since origination
  - Establishes a day one allowance on PCD loans through "gross up"

Loan-par amount	\$1,000,000	
Loan-noncredit discount		\$75,000
Allowance for credit losses		175,000
Cash		750,000



### **CECL: What's Not Changing**

- Ability to choose an estimation method most appropriate for the bank
- Credit risk review/management processes
- Consideration of historical loss experience on similar assets and current conditions
- Qualitative considerations
- Interest income recognition and nonaccrual policies
- Write-off (i.e., charge-off) policies
- Accounting treatment for loans held for sale



### **CECL: Key Considerations**

- Small banks DO NOT need big models
  - No requirement to hire a team of experts
  - However, changes to current system necessary for data collection and analysis
- Leverage processes currently in place (e.g., a bank's existing credit risk management function and historical loss rates)
- Consider NOW what you will need later



### Implementation Recommendations "Do's"

- Become familiar with the standard and draft a CECL plan
- Discuss the proposed changes with external auditors, industry peers and regulators
- Develop multidisciplinary teams in preparation for implementation
- Review current allowance and credit risk management practices to identify existing processes & methodologies that can be leveraged
- Consider data availability (e.g., origination, maturity dates, types of loan losses, charge-off dates, lifetime loss amounts)
- Use industry available resources (e.g., OCC Semiannual Risk Perspective, OCC Mortgage Metrics)
- Consider capital adequacy
- Keep your regulatory team up to date



### Implementation Recommendations "Don'ts"

- No early incorporation of "expected loss" concepts or "soft adoption"
- No artificial inflation of ALLL to smooth impact
- Don't wait to prepare
- Don't overload at adoption
  - Day 1 adoption through retained earnings, not P&L
  - No "cookie jar" reserves





#### **Supervisory Expectations**

CECL: An Integrated Approach to Credit Risk Management

**Accounting** 

**Underwriting | Lending** 

**Credit Risk Management** 

**Treasury | Loan Pricing** 

**Internal Audit** 

**Capital Planning | Forecasting** 

**Profitability Analysis** 



### **Supervisory Preparation**



- Established an interagency steering committee
- Conduct outreach with bankers and auditors
- Develop internal and external training and communication plan
- Inventory existing supervisory guidance to be updated
- Develop additional guidance and tools
  - Regulatory capital impact
  - Transition specific and on-going accounting considerations



## **CECL Questions?**

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