

Genworth Mortgage Insurance Corporation

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In consideration of payment of the Premium, in reliance upon the representations in the Insurance Application and the obligations of the Insured under the Policy (as defined herein), **Genworth Mortgage Insurance Corporation**, a North Carolina corporation (a stock mortgage insurance company hereinafter referred to as the "Company") agrees to pay the Insurance Benefit to the Beneficiary, subject to all of the terms and conditions contained in the Policy. Any endorsements hereto shall reference the Master Policy Number and Effective Date set forth below.

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Initial Insured's Name and Mailing Address:
Master Policy Number:
Effective Date of Master Policy: 10.01.2014
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused its corporate seal to be affixed hereto, and this Master Policy to be signed by its duly authorized officers in facsimile and to become effective as its original seal and signatures binding on the Company.

Genworth Mortgage Insurance Corporation

President Secretary

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1 DEFINITIONS

In this Policy, the terms "we", "us" and "our" mean the Company, its successors and assigns. In addition, the following terms have the specific meanings set forth below.

Accelerated Claim means a Claim that we require to be submitted as described in Section 8.1 (Accelerated Claim).

Acquisition Option means our settlement of a Claim by payment of the entire Calculated Loss and acquisition of Good and Marketable Title to the Property as described in Section 10.1(a) (Company Options), subject to any reductions provided for in this Policy.

Advances means the following expenses that have been incurred by the Servicer or the Beneficiary:

- (i) Reasonable and customary property insurance premiums;
- (ii) Taxes, assessments and other public charges imposed upon the Property;
- (iii) Condominium fees, homeowner association dues, and pro-rated portions of shared fees related to the common areas attendant to the Property, to the extent necessary to preserve the lien priority of the Mortgage;
- (iv) Customary court costs and other reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in eviction proceedings (and moving expenses, to the extent that moving expenses are required by Applicable Law to be paid by the evicting party) and other Appropriate Proceedings, including reasonable attorneys' fees not in excess of (x) 3% of the unpaid principal and interest due on the Loan when the Claim is submitted for a Loan with an unpaid principal balance of \$200,000 or greater, and (y) the lesser of (I) \$6,000 and (II) 5% of the unpaid principal balance and interest due on the Loan when the Claim is submitted for a Loan with an unpaid principal balance less than \$200,000. This limitation does not apply to reasonable attorneys' fees incurred pursuant to Section 11.3 (Deficiency Judgments) to preserve our rights of subrogation; and
- (v) Reasonable and customary expenses necessary for preservation of the Property.

Anticipated Loss Option means our settlement of a Claim in accordance with Section 10.1(d) (Company Options), subject to any reductions provided for in this Policy.

Applicable Law means any controlling federal, state, local, or foreign law, statute or ordinance, common law, or any rule, regulation, judgment, order, writ, injunction, ruling, decree, arbitration award, agency requirement, license, or permit of any governmental authority.

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Appropriate Proceedings means

- (i) any action or proceeding that vests in the Servicer or Beneficiary all of the Borrower's right, title and interest in and to the Property, including foreclosure by public or private sale;
- (ii) eviction proceedings;
- (iii) voluntary conveyance from the Borrower; or
- (iv) any bankruptcy or similar proceedings pursuant to which the Servicer or Beneficiary is permitted to and asserts its interest in the Property to the extent that such action or proceeding is permitted by Applicable Law and is not inconsistent with the requirements of this Policy.

Approved Sale means (i) a Pre-Settlement Sale, or (ii) a foreclosure or trustee's sale of the Property to a third party at a price not less than the minimum amount required to be bid pursuant to Section 6.2(b) (Completion).

Beneficiary means the Initial Insured, except that, in the case of a Loan Transfer, the Loan Transferee will become the Beneficiary effective as of the date of such Loan Transfer.

Borrower means any Person identified in the Loan documentation as legally obligated to repay the debt obligation created by the Loan, including any co-signer or guarantor.

Borrower Proceedings means any administrative, judicial or non-judicial action or proceeding brought or claim asserted by a Borrower that has affected or has the potential to affect a Loan or the Borrower's, Servicer's, Beneficiary's or lender's rights or obligations under the Loan.

Borrower's Own Funds means, with respect to a Loan Payment and except as permitted in the Underwriting Requirements in effect when an Insurance Application is submitted to us, that such payment has been made by the Borrower from his/her/its own funds. Borrower's Own Funds excludes any funds advanced or provided by a First Party, Pattern Party, any Beneficiary, any Servicer, their respective agents or any other Person who is not a Borrower but is affiliated with a First Party, Pattern Party, Beneficiary or Servicer.

Borrower's Title means all right, title and interest of the Borrower in and to a Property, as evidenced by

- (i) an executed trustee's or sheriff's deed (which need not reflect recordation) or other satisfactory evidence that a foreclosure sale has been properly completed and the redemption period has expired; <u>provided however</u>, that the redemption period need not have expired if so elected by the Servicer or Beneficiary, with such election being made by submission of a Claim before expiration of the redemption period; or
- (ii) in the case of a voluntary conveyance to the Servicer or Beneficiary, a deed from the Borrower.

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Business Day means any day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or other day when we are not open for business.

Calculated Loss means the amount used to determine the Insurance Benefit payable for a Claim, calculated in accordance with Section 9.3 (Calculated Loss).

Certificate means either (i) a certificate issued or transmitted, including in electronic form, to the Initial Insured extending insurance coverage under this Policy to the Loan therein described, or (ii) a Commitment for which coverage has been activated as contemplated in Section 2.2 (Commitment and Certificate). The Certificate will identify this Policy by the form number.

Certificate Effective Date means the date from which our coverage is in force, which shall be the closing date of the Loan or such later date requested by or on behalf of the Initial Insured and approved by us, in both cases as reflected in our books and records.

Claim means a request for payment of an Insurance Benefit for a Loan submitted in the manner and method set forth in our Servicing Guide and otherwise in accordance with the provisions of the Policy.

Claim Denial Notice means our notification to the Servicer providing the reason(s) for nonpayment of an Insurance Benefit on a Claim pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Policy.

Claim Settlement Period means the period starting when the Claim becomes a Perfected Claim and ending at the close of business on the Settlement Due Date.

Closing File means, with respect to a Loan, copies of: the final HUD-1 Settlement Statement or other settlement statement signed by the Borrower; the signed promissory note; the signed Mortgage; the title insurance commitment; and such other documentation produced or obtained at or after the closing of the Loan transaction that we may require, as specified in our Servicing Guide in effect when an Insurance Application is submitted.

Commitment means a commitment issued or transmitted, including in electronic form, to the Initial Insured setting forth the terms, conditions and certifications (in addition to any contained in this Policy) under which we will insure a particular Loan under this Policy. If we issue or transmit more than one such commitment with respect to a particular Loan, the most recent one is the Commitment. The Commitment will identify this Policy by the form number.

Company Cancellation Notice means our notification to the Servicer providing the reason that we have cancelled a Commitment or coverage on a Certificate that results in our release from all liability arising from, in connection with, and related to the Commitment or Certificate as of a specified date.

Credible Evidence means any information, regardless of format, relating to the Loan, Borrower, Property or a First Party, received or obtained by us at any time, that would be viewed by a reasonable person in the context of all other information available to us as having a basis in fact, or in the case of a Property valuation, as a reasonably reliable

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estimate or opinion. For clarity, our Servicing Guide sets forth examples of Credible Evidence. Information that consists solely of unsworn statements made by the Borrower, without corroboration by any other information, will not be considered Credible Evidence.

Default means the failure of the Borrower to pay: (i) a Loan Payment in full on the due date as specified in the Loan documents, without giving effect to any grace period; and (ii) all amounts due upon acceleration of the Loan by the Servicer or Beneficiary following a transfer of title to the Property. A Loan is deemed to be in Default as of the close of business on the Loan Payment due date or, if earlier, as of the close of business on the due date stated in the notice of acceleration given pursuant to the Mortgage.

Deficiency Judgment means a court judgment imposing personal liability on the Borrower for the unpaid amount remaining under the terms of a Loan when the proceeds of a foreclosure sale of the Property subject to the Mortgage securing the Loan were insufficient to fully satisfy the outstanding debt.

Delinquent means, with respect to a Loan Payment, that such payment is not paid when due; <u>provided however</u>, that if such Loan Payment is credited or received by the Servicer following its due date solely as a result of an error in the set-up of the Borrower's account with the Servicer, then such payment shall not be considered Delinquent. A Loan Payment is 30 days Delinquent if it remains unpaid as of the due date of the next monthly Loan Payment; a Loan Payment is 60 days Delinquent if it remains unpaid as of the due date of the next succeeding monthly Loan Payment (following the due date of such next monthly Loan Payment); and a Loan Payment is Delinquent by an additional 30 days for each successive monthly Loan Payment due date that it remains unpaid.

Eligibility Criteria means the requirements that a Loan must meet to be eligible for insurance under this Policy, (i) as set forth in our Underwriting Requirements or communicated by other notice to the Initial Insured, each as of the date we receive the Insurance Application, and (ii) as set forth in the certifications or requirements of the Commitment.

Eligibility Criteria Violation means on the Certificate Effective Date a Loan did not in fact meet one or more Eligibility Criteria in any respect material to our acceptance of the risk or the hazard assumed, such that had we known of the non-compliance as of such date, we would not have insured the Loan, regardless of whether the non-compliance caused or contributed to a Default or the Calculated Loss. A Material Value Variance is an Eligibility Criteria Violation.

Enhanced Coverage Commitment means, with respect to a Certificate, that we will not rescind insurance coverage on account of an Eligibility Criteria Violation, subject to the terms and conditions of the applicable endorsement.

Environmental Condition or Impairment means the presence of

(i) any condition giving rise to liability under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (42 U.S.C. § 9601 et seq.) or any similar federal law or law of the state or locality where the Property is located; or

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- (ii) any "Hazardous Waste" or "Regulated Substance" as those terms are defined by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (42 U.S.C. § 6901 et seq.) or any similar federal law or law of the state or locality where the Property is located; or
- (iii) any chemicals, materials or substances defined as or included in the definition of "hazardous substances," "hazardous wastes," "hazardous materials," "restricted hazardous materials," "extremely hazardous substances," "toxic substances," "contaminants" or "pollutants" or words of similar meaning and that are regulated under any Applicable Law; or
- (iv) any other substance or condition that renders the principal residential structure on the Property Uninhabitable.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, for purposes of this Policy, the presence of radon gas, lead paint, or asbestos in the dwelling on a Property is not an Environmental Condition or Impairment.

Exclusion means any of the circumstances or conditions set forth in Section 4.1 (Exclusions) under which we may cancel or rescind coverage on a Certificate, cancel a Commitment, deny a Claim or reduce the Calculated Loss or Insurance Benefit.

Explanation of Benefits means a form prepared by us in connection with a Claim that includes an explanation of any Insurance Benefit paid, including any adjustments to the Claim amounts.

First Party means, with respect to a Loan, the Initial Insured and any other Persons (other than the Borrower or the legal representative of the Borrower) who performed or had a duty to perform any acts related to the Insurance Application or Origination of such Loan, including correspondent lenders, mortgage brokers, escrow or closing agents, processers, underwriters, independent contractors, intermediaries involved with processing, underwriting or Originating such Loan, appraisers, appraisal companies, closing agents, title companies, other third-party vendors involved with processing, underwriting or Originating such Loan and all agents (including employees) of the Initial Insured or of any such Persons.

First Party Misrepresentation means any material misrepresentation related to or in connection with Eligibility Criteria, whether by information furnished, omitted, falsified or forged, that was knowingly and intentionally made, or knowingly and intentionally participated in, by a First Party.

Good and Marketable Title means title to a Property that is readily able to be sold and freely transferable and that is free and clear of all liens, defects, encumbrances and tenancies, including rights of parties in possession and rights of redemption, except for the following and any other exceptions that we approve for that Property:

(i) the lien of general real estate taxes and other public charges and assessments for the current year not yet due and payable;

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(ii) easements for public utilities, recorded building and use restrictions and the effect of building laws or regulations with which the improvements on the Property comply and that do not impair the use of the Property;

provided however, that Good and Marketable Title does not exist if (x) there is a lien on the Property under Applicable Law in connection with an Environmental Condition or Impairment, or if notice has been given of commencement of proceedings which could result in the imposition of a lien on the Property pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. § 9601, et seq.), or any other Applicable Law, or (y) convenient means of ingress and egress or freely alienable rights to the use and enjoyment of municipal or private sources of water and means of sewage disposal are not conveyed, whether such rights are by easement or covenant running with the Property reflected in the public records.

GSE means the Federal National Mortgage Association or the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, as applicable, and any successor thereto.

GSE Beneficiary means a Beneficiary that is a GSE.

Initial Insured means the Person designated on the cover page of this Policy.

Insurance Application means a request for insurance coverage under this Policy for a Loan, or a request for modification of such insurance coverage, in a form or format that we approve. An Insurance Application includes all information, documents and materials, regardless of format, submitted to us in connection with such request by the Initial Insured or any other Person. An Insurance Application also includes all information about the Loan, Mortgage, Borrower and Property contained in the Certificate based on the information furnished by the Initial Insured or other Person.

Insurance Benefit means that portion of the Calculated Loss computed pursuant to Section 10.1 (Company Options) for which we are liable in settlement of a Claim under the Policy.

Insured means, with respect to a Loan, the Servicer, or if we are notified pursuant to Section 5.6 (Beneficiary Option to Become the Insured) that the Beneficiary elects to become the Insured for the Loan, then "Insured" means the Beneficiary.

Loan means the indebtedness of the Borrower (giving effect to any subsequent increase or decrease in the principal amount of such indebtedness) in the amount and for the term specified in a written obligation secured by a Mortgage that is a first lien or equivalent charge on the Property, as reflected in the Certificate.

Loan Application means all statements and representations, whether oral or in any form of written communication, made by the Borrower or any other Person in connection with obtaining the Loan and provided to any First Party, including the Borrower's signed loan application, disclosure statements, purchase contract, credit reports, and verifications of employment, income, assets and deposits.

Loan File means, collectively, the Loan Origination File and the Closing File.

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Loan Origination File means all information, data and materials (other than the Closing File), regardless of format, created, received, required, transmitted, stored or preserved in connection with Origination of a Loan by or on behalf of the Initial Insured or any other First Party, including the Loan Application, Loan approval notes, verifications of employment, income, assets and deposits, appraisal and other property valuation information (including all addenda, attachments, schedules, photographs and other information included by the appraiser in the value assessment), underwriting and processing notes and automated underwriting systems output.

Loan Payment means all amounts due under the terms of a Loan in a regular monthly payment period, including all required escrow amounts (disregarding any forbearance, waiver or other modification made without our approval, whether arising by Applicable Law or otherwise, that entitles the Borrower not to make a payment, in whole or in part, or to delay a payment otherwise due under the terms of the Loan).

Loan Transfer means the sale, assignment or transfer of all right, title and interest in and to a Loan, other than solely by pledge or otherwise for security or securitization purposes.

Loan Transferee means the recipient of the right, title and interest in and to a Loan in a Loan Transfer.

Loan Transferor means the Person making the sale, assignment or transfer in a Loan Transfer.

Loss on Property Sale Option means our settlement of a Claim in connection with an Approved Sale, as described in Section 10.1(c) (Company Options) and subject to any reductions provided for in this Policy.

Material Value Variance means an Eligibility Criteria Violation relating to the Property value that exists when

- there is a percentage variance of 15% or more between the Origination Valuation and the opinion of market value for the subject Property as determined by a licensed appraiser in an appraisal report prepared at our request as of the date of the Origination Valuation in compliance with industry standard appraisal practices; and
- (ii) the loan-to-value ratio calculated as of the Certificate Effective Date using the appraised value from our requested appraisal report does not meet the Eligibility Criteria applicable to the Loan.

The "percentage variance" is the quotient determined by dividing the difference between the two values by the Origination Valuation, expressed as a percentage.

Mortgage means the mortgage, deed of trust or other security instrument securing repayment of a Loan, together with all addenda, exhibits and riders thereto.

Net Proceeds means the gross proceeds the Servicer or Beneficiary receives from an Approved Sale, less the Servicer's or Beneficiary's reasonable costs of obtaining and

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closing the Approved Sale (to the extent allowable pursuant to our Servicing Guide), which costs include applicable Advances actually paid by the Servicer or Beneficiary.

Notice of Default means the notice required to be provided to us pursuant to Section 6.1(a) (Notice of Default) when 2 consecutive Loan Payments for a Loan are not made when due.

Originated means having performed all or any part of the processes related to the origination of the Loan, from the taking of the Loan Application to the disbursement of funds, including the underwriting, processing, review, approval and funding of the Loan. The terms "**Originate**" "**Originating**" and "**Origination**" have the corresponding meanings.

Origination Valuation means the value of a Property as represented in an Insurance Application.

Pattern Activity means a pattern of misrepresentations related to or in connection with Eligibility Criteria, whether by information furnished, omitted, falsified or forged, involving (i) 2 or more Loans, at least one of which is insured by us, and (ii) 2 or more Pattern Parties or the Borrower and one or more Pattern Parties.

Pattern Party means (i) any individual acting with actual or apparent authority for an Initial Insured, or (ii) any First Party other than the Initial Insured, or (iii) any Property seller, Property builder, real estate broker or real estate agent.

Percentage Option means our settlement of a Claim by payment of the percentage of the Calculated Loss specified in the Certificate as the coverage percentage, as described in Section 10.1(b) (Company Options) and subject to any reductions provided for in this Policy.

Perfected Claim means a Claim for which we have received all of the information, documentation and Property access, if applicable, to which we are entitled under Section 9.2(a) (Initial Claim Requirements) and, if applicable, 9.2(b) (Additional Claim Requirements).

Person means any natural person, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, trust, association or other legally recognized entity.

Physical Damage means any injury, physical damage or impairment to a Property, whether caused by accident or otherwise, including due to any of the following: physical injury or destruction of tangible property; demolition by any entity; defects in construction, rehabilitation or remodeling; defects in materials; infestation; land subsidence; earth movement or slippage; earthquake; volcanic activity; avalanche; flood; wildfire; any act of God; any event declared a disaster by the Federal Emergency Management Agency or other governmental agency; or riot, insurrection, terrorism, civil strife or war; or any Environmental Condition or Impairment. The presence of radon gas, lead paint, or asbestos in the dwelling on a Property does not constitute Physical Damage.

Policy means this Master Policy document, the cover page accompanying this document, and all schedules and endorsements hereto or incorporated herein by reference, and with respect to a Loan also includes the Commitment and Certificate, and any endorsements

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thereto, incorporated herein by reference, together with the Insurance Application which is attached thereto or incorporated therein by reference.

Pre-Claim Advance means any amount paid in our discretion pursuant to Section 8.2 (Pre-Claim Advance) in circumstances in which a Claim has not been submitted.

Premium means the amount payable for insurance coverage on a Certificate for the initial and any renewal term, including all applicable taxes, assessments and other government agency charges.

Pre-Settlement Sale means a sale of the Property:

- by the Borrower with the consent of the Servicer prior to completion of Appropriate Proceedings, or by the Servicer or Beneficiary after the acquisition of Borrower's Title to the Property through Appropriate Proceedings; and
- (ii) in the case of a GSE Beneficiary, by the Borrower with the consent of the GSE Beneficiary prior to completion of Appropriate Proceedings, or by the Servicer (with the consent of the GSE Beneficiary), or the GSE Beneficiary after the acquisition of Borrower's Title to the Property through Appropriate Proceedings.

Property means the real property (including all improvements, appurtenances, rights of access, rights of ownership and use of common areas, recreational and other facilities, and additions thereto) subject to the Mortgage that secures a Loan, which real property includes:

- (i) a building designed for residential occupancy by not more than 4 families;
- (ii) a one-family residential condominium or unit in a planned unit development;
- (iii) any other one-family residential unit as to which Good and Marketable Title may be held or conveyed freely, including manufactured housing; or
- (iv) a mixed-use building, provided that the mixed-use represents a legal, permissible use of the property under local zoning requirements, the property contains only one non-residential use and a one-family dwelling unit that the Borrower occupies as a principal residence, and the Borrower is both the owner and operator of the business.

Rescission Limitations means the limitation of our right to rescind coverage on a Certificate due to an Eligibility Criteria Violation as specified in Section 4.3 (Rescission Limitations).

Rescission Notice means our notification to the Servicer and the Beneficiary that we have exercised our right of rescission on a Certificate with the result that coverage is deemed void *ab initio*.

Servicer means, with respect to a Loan, the Initial Insured or, if the Initial Insured or any successor Servicer or Beneficiary, as the case may be, provides notice pursuant to Section

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5.3(d) (Change of Servicer) that a different Person is servicing the Loan, then the Person so identified is the Servicer.

Servicing File means all information, data and materials, regardless of format, created, received, required, transmitted, stored or preserved in connection with servicing a Loan by or on behalf of each Servicer of the Loan, including Servicer notes and records (including notes and records pertaining to Defaults, collections, loss mitigation, Workouts and proposed Workouts, Borrower Proceedings and Appropriate Proceedings), the complete Loan payment history, records reflecting the exercise of rights by the Servicer under the Loan documentation, and records relating to Loan repurchase or indemnification demands.

Servicing Guide means, collectively, our guidelines and requirements relating to this Policy for servicing Loans, whether current or Delinquent, including the payment of Premium, changes in or cancellation of coverage by the Insured, Servicer or Beneficiary, Rescission Limitations or audits, and submitting Claims and other information to us, as published from time to time, whether in hard copy or electronic format. Guidelines and requirements are effective at the time set forth in such guidelines or requirements as published and are considered "published" as soon as they appear on a website of ours that regularly makes such material available to lenders and Servicers. Our records maintained in good faith shall be conclusive regarding the content of the Servicing Guide in effect at any particular time.

Servicing Report means a monthly report, in any format and via any medium that we approve, reflecting the identity and status of each Loan for which coverage is in force under this Policy, comprised of at a minimum the unpaid principal balance, the coupon rate and the last paid-to date of each such Loan, together with any other information we reasonably request.

Settlement Due Date means the date that is 60 days after a Claim is deemed a Perfected Claim, except as otherwise set forth in the Policy.

Subservicer means any Person to which the Servicer of a Loan has delegated or assigned all or a portion of the responsibilities or activities associated with servicing the Loan, whether or not in Default, but without a full assignment of the Servicer's servicing rights with respect to the Loan.

Total Loss means,

- (i) in the case of
 - (x) a Pre-Settlement Sale as part of a Workout under Section 5.2(c) (Allocation of Funds), or
 - (y) a cash settlement or payment on a promissory note described in Section 10.3 (Repayment of Insurance Benefit),

the Calculated Loss determined pursuant to Section 9.3 (Calculated Loss) plus the amount of all commercially reasonable out-of-pocket costs incurred in obtaining such funds, to the extent such costs are not already included in the Calculated Loss calculation;

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- (ii) in the case of a settlement under Section 9.3(m) (Calculated Loss), the Calculated Loss determined without regard to such settlement, plus the amount of all commercially reasonable out-of-pocket costs incurred in obtaining such settlement, to the extent such costs are not already included in the Calculated Loss calculation;
- (iii) in the case of a deed in lieu of foreclosure as part of a Workout pursuant to Section 5.2(c) (Allocation of Funds), the Calculated Loss determined pursuant to Section 9.3 (Calculated Loss), plus the amount of all commercially reasonable out-of-pocket costs incurred in closing such conveyance, to the extent such costs are not already included in the Calculated Loss calculation, minus the estimated value of the Property as agreed to by the Servicer (or, as applicable, the GSE Beneficiary) and us; and
- (iv) in the case of a Deficiency Judgment under Section 11.3(b) (Joint Pursuit), the Calculated Loss determined in accordance with Section 9.3 (Calculated Loss) plus all expenses (including Advances actually paid by the Servicer or Beneficiary) associated with the preservation and pursuit of such Deficiency Judgment in excess of those expenses associated with the normal and customary foreclosure process, to the extent such expenses are not already included in the Calculated Loss calculation, minus the estimated value of the Property as agreed to by the Servicer (or, as applicable, the GSE Beneficiary) and us.

Underwriting Requirements means the definitions, methods, calculations, guidelines, documentation and other requirements we use to determine if Eligibility Criteria are met, as such requirements are published from time to time in our underwriting guides, bulletins, premium rate cards, by other notice to the Initial Insured, or as we otherwise approve. Underwriting Requirements are effective at the time set forth in such requirements when published and are considered "published" as soon as they appear on a website of ours that regularly makes such material available to lenders. Our records maintained in good faith will be conclusive regarding the content of the Underwriting Requirements in effect at any particular time.

Uninhabitable means generally recognized standards for residential occupancy are violated or, in the absence of such standards, a fully informed and reasonable Person would conclude that a Property was unsafe or unsuitable for habitation as a residential dwelling.

Workout means any assumption or modification of the terms of a Loan, regardless of the status of the Loan, including:

- (i) any change in the principal balance, interest rate, payment terms, or amortization schedule,
- (ii) any change in or release of the Property subject to the Mortgage,
- (iii) any forbearance or partial release of a Borrower's Loan obligations,
- (iv) a Pre-Settlement Sale by the Borrower, or
- (v) acceptance of a deed in lieu of foreclosure.

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2 INSURANCE APPLICATION, COMMITMENT/CERTIFICATE AND PREMIUM

2.1 INSURANCE APPLICATION

- (a) **Submission of Insurance Application.** To request insurance coverage under this Policy, the Initial Insured, or any other First Party acting on behalf of the Initial Insured, shall submit a properly completed Insurance Application.
- (b) Representation by Initial Insured; Binding Effect on Beneficiary.

 Submission of an Insurance Application to us constitutes a representation by the Initial Insured that the Insurance Application including supporting information, documentation and materials, is in all material respects true and accurate and does not omit any fact necessary for the assessment of risk. A representation or omission is materially false or misleading when accurate or omitted information would have made the Loan ineligible for insurance or ineligible for coverage at the premium rate offered. For the purposes of this Policy, such representations will be binding on all Beneficiaries, including each Loan Transferee and the Insured, regardless of whether any Beneficiary, Loan Transferee or Insured knew or should have known of the false or misleading nature of the Insurance Application.

2.2 COMMITMENT AND CERTIFICATE

Approval of any Insurance Application is at our discretion and will be communicated to the Initial Insured in the form of a Commitment. Upon compliance with the provisions of this Policy, satisfaction of all terms and conditions and the making of all certifications shown on the Commitment to activate coverage, including timely payment of the initial Premium, insurance coverage will be effective and in force for the initial term applicable to the insurance Premium plan as specified on the Certificate, as of the Certificate Effective Date, and the Commitment will then constitute the Certificate (unless we separately issue a Certificate). We will notify the party requesting coverage if an Insurance Application is not approved. The Initial Insured is responsible for notifying the Borrower if the Loan Application is declined.

2.3 INITIAL PREMIUM

The Servicer shall remit the initial Premium as shown on the Commitment in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Servicing Guide with respect to the premium plan chosen by the Initial Insured.

2.4 RENEWAL PREMIUM

To continue coverage on a Loan following the initial term, the Servicer shall pay the renewal Premium for the renewal term in full at the rate specified in the Certificate. We will provide a renewal Premium bill to the Servicer for each renewal term of a Certificate. We must receive payment of the entire renewal Premium on or before the expiration of the term for which Premium was last paid, or within the applicable grace period as specified in the Servicing Guide (which period will not be less than 60 additional days from the end of the term for which Premium was last paid), or

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coverage will terminate as of the last day of the term for which Premium was paid, as specified in the Servicing Guide. If a Default occurs during the applicable grace period, coverage under this Policy will continue with respect to such Default, subject to the terms and conditions of this Policy, and any due but unpaid Premium will be deducted in accordance with Section 10.1 (Company Options). All payments of Premium shall be made without setoff, deduction, withholding or other reduction for any reason.

2.5 REINSTATEMENT

If the renewal Premium is not paid in full within the applicable renewal term or the applicable grace period, we will nevertheless reinstate coverage if:

- (i) such reinstatement is in accordance with our then-current reinstatement policy described in our Servicing Guide; or
- (ii) within 60 days after expiration of the billing cycle grace period, we receive the entire renewal Premium and the Servicer establishes, with reasonable support as specified in the Servicing Guide, that the failure to pay renewal Premium within the grace period was due to an error or omission that occurred in connection with the transfer, surrender or seizure of servicing rights associated with a group of Loans.

In the case of clause (ii) of the preceding sentence, we will reinstate coverage on the affected Loans, provided that coverage is reinstated for all Loans insured under this Policy affected by such transfer, surrender or seizure. We will consider any request to reinstate coverage after the expiration of the applicable grace period set forth in the Servicing Guide; however, we may decline the request in our sole and absolute discretion.

2.6 PREMIUM PAID AFTER LOAN DEFAULT

If the Servicer does not pay renewal Premium for the period after Default on a Loan, coverage for the period up to and including the Default will not automatically terminate under Section 2.4 (Renewal Premium) for failure to pay such renewal Premium. If a Claim arises from such Default, the Servicer is not required to pay Premium during the period after Default. If, however, Premium is paid after such Default, it shall be reimbursed to the GSE Beneficiary, if any, otherwise to the Servicer, upon settlement of a Claim. Any Premium received following Default shall be applied to cover renewal Premium due to keep the coverage in force in the event the Default on the Loan cures. If a Default on the Loan cures, we must receive any unpaid renewal Premium within 60 days of such cure for the period after Default. If we do not receive the required Premium within such 60-day period, coverage on the Certificate will terminate effective as of the last day of the term for which Premium was last paid. We have no obligation to reinstate coverage on the terminated Certificate following the expiration of such 60-day period. If a Loan in Default cures, and subsequently goes back into Default, the provisions of this Section 2.6 (Premium Paid After Loan Default) will apply.



2.7 PAYMENT OF INCORRECT PREMIUM

- (a) If we determine or are notified that because of inaccurate or omitted information in the related Insurance Application, a Loan would not have been eligible for coverage at the premium rate set forth in the applicable Commitment, but such Loan still would have been eligible for insurance coverage on the Insurance Application submission date, but at a different premium rate, we may provide notice to the Servicer of the additional premium amount required. Coverage will continue, subject to the terms and conditions of this Policy, whether or not we require such additional premium; provided however, that to the extent that we require additional premium and such premium is not paid within 60 days of our notice requesting such Premium, we may issue a Rescission Notice rescinding coverage on the Certificate.
- (b) We will not require payment of an additional premium amount pursuant to this Section 2.7 (Payment of Incorrect Premium) in the case of an inaccurate Origination Valuation based solely on the appraisal that does not result in a Material Value Variance, whereas incorrect loan-to-value information not related to the appraisal may be subject to a price adjustment pursuant to paragraph (a) of this Section 2.7 (Payment of Incorrect Premium).
- (c) We will not require payment of an additional premium amount pursuant to this Section 2.7 (Payment of Incorrect Premium) with respect to a Loan after the conditions are satisfied for the Rescission Limitations under Section 4.3(a) (Coverage Commitment) or Section 4.3(b) (Enhanced Coverage Commitment).

3 COVERAGE ELIGIBILITY, COMPANY UNDERWRITING ERRORS, TERM AND CANCELLATION

3.1 ELIGIBILITY

- (a) Eligibility Criteria. To be eligible for insurance coverage under this Policy, a Loan must meet the Eligibility Criteria in effect when the Insurance Application for the Loan is received by us. The Initial Insured is responsible for compliance with the Eligibility Criteria, regardless of the information in the Insurance Application. Submission of the Insurance Application to us constitutes a representation by the Initial Insured that the Loan complies with this Section 3.1(a) (Eligibility Criteria).
- (b) **Company Underwriting Errors**. We will underwrite the information received by us in an Insurance Application prior to issuance of a Commitment to determine whether such information meets the Eligibility Criteria. Notwithstanding the provisions in paragraph (a) above, if
 - (i) the information submitted to us in the Insurance Application clearly establishes one or more Eligibility Criteria Violations without any

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- verification or investigation by us and without requesting any additional information:
- (ii) the information submitted to us in such Insurance Application is in fact accurate; and
- (iii) we issue a Commitment to insure the Loan without requiring that the Eligibility Criteria Violation(s) be remedied,

then we will not subsequently rescind coverage under Section 4.1(d) (Eligibility Criteria Violations) on account of such Eligibility Criteria Violation(s). This paragraph (b) does not restrict our rescission of coverage if the conditions of this paragraph (b) are not met, including in the case of a Material Value Variance, nor does this paragraph restrict our rescission of coverage under any other Exclusion.

3.2 TERM OF COVERAGE

Provided that all Premium is paid as required with respect to a Certificate, and subject to the terms and conditions of this Policy, coverage on that Certificate will continue in effect unless and until the first of the following events occurs, whereupon coverage will terminate automatically:

- (i) The Loan insured under the Certificate is paid in full;
- (ii) The Servicer or Beneficiary cancels coverage on the Certificate;
- (iii) The term of coverage expires in accordance with the applicable Premium plan as specified in the Certificate; or
- (iv) We settle a Claim submitted with respect to the Certificate in accordance with the Policy.

3.3 CANCELLATION OF CERTIFICATE BY THE SERVICER OR BENEFICIARY

The Servicer or Beneficiary may cancel a Certificate at any time by notice to us, specifying (i) the effective date of cancellation, and (ii) the reason for cancellation. If the Servicer initiates the cancellation of a Certificate, the cancellation is binding on the Beneficiary whether or not the Beneficiary is notified of the cancellation. The Servicer shall be responsible for notifying the Beneficiary that it has submitted a notice of cancellation for a Certificate. In the event a GSE Beneficiary has requested copies of notices pursuant to Section 13.2 (Duplicate Notice to GSE Beneficiary), we will provide a report of cancellations received pursuant to this Section 3.3 (Cancellation of Certificate by the Servicer or Beneficiary) to such GSE Beneficiary.

3.4 EFFECT OF CANCELLATION OF A CERTIFICATE

Cancellation of a Certificate pursuant to Section 3.3 (Cancellation of Certificate by the Servicer or Beneficiary) relieves us from all liability arising from, in connection

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with, and related to the Certificate unless a Default that has been reported to us under Section 6.1 (Default Reporting) exists on the intended date of cancellation, in which case the cancellation will not be effective and the Certificate will remain in effect subject to the terms and conditions of this Policy. Cancellation of a Certificate pursuant to this Section 3.4 (Effect of Cancellation of a Certificate) does not affect coverage on any other Certificate insured under this Policy.

3.5 PREMIUM REFUNDS

Within (i) the later of (x) 30 days following our receipt of a Certificate cancellation or termination notice from the Servicer or Beneficiary, or (y) such period as may be required to confirm whether a Default for which we previously received a Notice of Default has cured, or, (ii) if different, such period as may be required by Applicable Law, we will, unless otherwise directed by the Servicer, refund to the Servicer Premium paid for the time period after the effective date of the cancellation or termination in accordance with our Premium refund schedule applicable to the Certificate as published in our Servicing Guide or as otherwise made available; provided however, that no Premium will be refunded for any period more than 45 days prior to our receipt of the cancellation notice. It is the Servicer's responsibility to provide timely notice to us if coverage on a Certificate is cancelled or terminated pursuant to Applicable Law or the Beneficiary's established guidelines. If the Servicer fails to provide notice to us within 45 days following such required cancellation or termination date, the Servicer will be responsible to the Borrower for any Premium paid to us for the period more than 45 days after the cancellation or termination effective date, in addition to any refunded Premium received from us.

3.6 CANCELLATION OF POLICY

This Policy may be cancelled by the Initial Insured or by us at any time upon not less than 10 days' prior notice, <u>provided however</u>, that once coverage on a Certificate has become effective, this Policy will remain in full force and effect with respect to any Commitment or Certificate issued prior to such cancellation, so long as all Premium due thereon is paid and the other conditions and obligations contained in this Policy and the related Commitment and Certificate have been complied with.

4 RESCISSION, CANCELLATION, CLAIM DENIAL AND REDUCTION OF INSURANCE BENEFIT

4.1 Exclusions

If any of the Exclusions described in this Section 4.1 (Exclusions) occurs or exists with respect to a Commitment, Certificate, Loan or Claim, depending on the circumstances and Exclusion, we may exercise the remedy or remedies specified as applicable to such Exclusion and, where applicable, make a reduction in the Calculated Loss for a Claim or other adjustment to an Insurance Benefit, as computed in the Explanation of Benefits for the Claim, in accordance with the Claim curtailment methodology set forth in our then-current Servicing Guide. Unless an Exclusion for which our remedy is to issue a Rescission Notice specifies that the Rescission Limitations apply to such Exclusion, the Rescission Limitations do not



apply. If we provide a Rescission Notice, Company Cancellation Notice, Claim Denial Notice, or reduce the Insurance Benefit with respect to a Claim pursuant to an Exclusion set forth below, it shall not limit our remedies under any other Exclusion.

- (a) Access and Information. The Beneficiary or Servicer fails to provide the information or access within 30 days following our second request as provided in Section 16.2 (Duty of Cooperation), in which case we may issue a Company Cancellation Notice cancelling coverage on any Certificate related to the Loans for which such access or information was not so provided, effective as of the date of such second request, or if a Claim on any such Loan has been submitted, we may issue a Claim Denial Notice denying the Claim in full. We will not exercise our remedies under this Section 4.1(a) (Access and Information) as a result of a failure of the Servicer or Beneficiary to respond to documentation requests which would be impermissible under Section 4.3(d) (Effect on Investigation and Documentation Requests).
- (b) **Assumption of Loan.** Without our prior consent, any assumption of liability for the Loan occurs, with or without release of any original Borrower from liability, in which case we may issue a Company Cancellation Notice cancelling coverage on the Certificate effective as of the date of such assumption, or if a Claim has been submitted we may issue a Claim Denial Notice denying the Claim in full. This Section 4.1(b) (Assumption of Loan) does not apply to any such assumption if Applicable Law prohibits acceleration of the Loan upon the transfer of the interest in the Property.
- Balloon Payment. The Borrower fails to make any payment of principal (c) and/or interest due upon maturity of a Loan with a term to maturity that is shorter than the amortization period, and which payment is for an amount more than twice the regular periodic payments of principal, interest and any additional amounts required for tax and insurance escrows (commonly referred to as a "Balloon Payment"), in which case we may issue a Company Cancellation Notice cancelling coverage on the Certificate effective as of the due date of the Balloon Payment, or if a Claim has been submitted we may issue a Claim Denial Notice denying the Claim in full. This Exclusion does not apply if, prior to the Balloon Payment coming due, the Servicer or Beneficiary extends a written offer to the Borrower for renewal or extension of the Loan or a new mortgage loan that constitutes a first lien on the Property. (i) at rates and terms generally prevailing in the marketplace, (ii) in an amount not less than the then-unpaid principal balance and (iii) that has no decrease in the amortization period referred to above.
- (d) **Eligibility Criteria Violation.** We determine on the basis of Credible Evidence that there was an Eligibility Criteria Violation with respect to a Loan, in which case we will issue a Rescission Notice rescinding coverage on the subject Certificate. The Rescission Limitations apply to the Exclusion under this Section 4.1(d) (Eligibility Criteria Violation).
- (e) **Excess Insurance Benefit.** The amount of the Calculated Loss would exceed the amount of consideration the Beneficiary paid to acquire the Loan,

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in which case we may reduce the Calculated Loss by the amount of such excess; <u>provided however</u>, that if the Beneficiary fails to provide all information we reasonably request within 90 days of the date of such request to enable us to determine whether this Section 4.1(e) (Excess Insurance Benefit) applies, we may issue a Claim Denial Notice denying the Claim in full. The Exclusion under this Section 4.1(e) (Excess Insurance Benefit) does not apply to a GSE Beneficiary.

- (f) Failure to Comply With Applicable Law. The Loan as Originated failed to comply with Applicable Law in any material respect, in which case we may issue a Rescission Notice rescinding coverage on the Certificate.
- (g) Failure to Satisfy Commitment Conditions. Any condition to coverage specified in the Commitment for a Loan is not satisfied within the time specified in the Commitment, in which case we may issue a Rescission Notice rescinding coverage on the Certificate. The Rescission Limitations apply to an Exclusion under this Section 4.1(g) (Failure to Satisfy Commitment Conditions).
- (h) Failure to Satisfy Post-Origination Conditions or Obligations. Following the Origination of the Loan, the Servicer fails to comply with any of its post-Origination obligations under this Policy, including its obligations to mitigate loss, obtain our approval of a Workout, or commence, diligently pursue and complete Appropriate Proceedings, in which case we may reduce the Calculated Loss for a Claim by the amount we reasonably determine is the estimated resulting damage, except that if
 - (i) we cannot reasonably estimate the damage arising from such noncompliance and we reasonably determine such non-compliance is material either to our continued acceptance of the risk or the hazard assumed, or
 - (ii) we determine that such non-compliance was the principal cause of the Default that results in a Claim, or
 - (iii) with respect to the conditions set forth in Section 5.1 (Servicing Reports; Notice of Proceedings and Loan Payoff), Section 6.1 (Default Reporting) and Section 6.2 (Appropriate Proceedings), such non-compliance continues for a period of 12 months,

we may issue a Company Cancellation Notice cancelling coverage on the Certificate effective as of the date such non-compliance first occurred, or, if a Claim has been submitted, we may issue a Claim Denial Notice denying the Claim in full.

With respect to a failure to commence Appropriate Proceedings as required pursuant to Section 6.2(a) (Commencement), the "estimated resulting damage" shall be the amount of any accrued and unpaid interest and Advances actually paid by the Servicer or Beneficiary incurred during the



period beginning on the date that Appropriate Proceedings should have been commenced in accordance with such Section 6.2(a) (Commencement) through the date such Appropriate Proceedings are actually commenced, together with such other damages as we can reasonably demonstrate. If a Pre-Settlement Sale is closed without our prior approval, then we may reduce the Calculated Loss by the excess, if any, of the amount we reasonably estimate to be the fair market value of the Property at the time of such sale, less all of the Servicer's and Beneficiary's reasonable costs of obtaining and closing the Pre-Settlement Sale (excluding costs not allowable under our Servicing Guide), over the actual Net Proceeds of the sale; provided however, that in no event shall the Insurance Benefit payable be greater than the Insurance Benefit that would be payable pursuant to the Percentage Option.

- (i) **First Lien Status.** The Mortgage did not provide the owner of the Loan with a first lien on the Property on the Certificate Effective Date, in which case we may issue a Rescission Notice rescinding coverage on the Certificate.
- (j) First Party Misrepresentation or Pattern Activity. We determine, on the basis of Credible Evidence, that there was Pattern Activity or a First Party Misrepresentation, in which case we will issue a Rescission Notice rescinding coverage on the Certificate; provided however, unless we become aware of Credible Evidence, through our own investigation, through publicly available information, or otherwise, that there has been First Party Misrepresentation or Pattern Activity, we will not request information or documentation from the Servicer to investigate First Party Misrepresentation or Pattern Activity with respect to a Loan after the conditions applicable to the Rescission Limitations under Section 4.3(a) (Coverage Commitment) or Section 4.3(b) (Enhanced Coverage Commitment), as applicable, are satisfied. The foregoing provision does not prevent us from requesting (i) information or documentation required under Section 9.2(b) (Additional Claim Requirements) in connection with perfection and settlement of a Claim, (ii) servicing-related information or documentation not related to the Origination of the Loan, or (iii) information or documentation we require for purposes of compliance with our legal or regulatory obligations.
- (k) Incomplete Construction. Construction, rehabilitation or remodeling of the Property has not been completed in accordance with the applicable plans and specifications or as indicated in the Origination Valuation, in which case we may issue a Rescission Notice rescinding coverage on the Certificate.
- (I) Loan Acquired by Natural Person. With respect to a Loan, at any time, a Beneficiary is or was a natural, individual person, and not a legal entity, in which case we may issue a Company Cancellation Notice cancelling coverage on the Certificate effective as of the date such Beneficiary acquired the Loan, or if a Claim has been submitted, we may issue a Claim Denial Notice denying the Claim in full.

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- (m) Loan Charge-Off. The Servicer charges off a Loan as uncollectable prior to the completion of Appropriate Proceedings, as reported pursuant to Section 6.1(b)(v) (Monthly Default Report), in which case we may issue a Company Cancellation Notice cancelling coverage on the subject Certificate, effective as of the date of the charge-off, or if a Claim has been submitted we may issue a Claim Denial Notice denying the Claim in full; provided however, this Exclusion shall not apply with respect to such Loan if Appropriate Proceedings are being pursued in accordance with Section 6.2 (Appropriate Proceedings).
- (n) Late Claim Submission. A Claim is submitted after the 60-day period required by Section 9.1(a) (Time for Submission), in which case we may exclude from the Calculated Loss any interest accruing and Advances incurred after such 60-day period. If the Claim is submitted more than 120 days after expiration of the 60-day period we may issue a Claim Denial Notice denying the Claim in full.
- Non-Residential Property. The property subject to the Mortgage did not (o) meet the definition of Property under this Policy on either the Certificate Effective Date or the date the Claim was submitted, in which case we may issue a Claim Denial Notice denying the Claim in full. If the property met the definition of Property on the Certificate Effective Date but not when the Claim was submitted and we reasonably determine the change in the property adversely affected the use, marketability or value of the property, then we may (i) require restoration of the property to the condition it was in as of the Commitment date or to a similar condition, reasonable wear and tear excepted, (ii) reduce the Insurance Benefit by an amount we determine is equal to the estimated cost of restoration in accordance with the curtailment procedures set forth in our then current Servicing Guide, or (iii) if the property is not restored and we reasonably determine that no Insurance Benefit would be payable if the restoration were completed, we may issue a Claim Denial Notice denying the Claim in full.

In establishing the cost of restoration referred to in this Section 4.1(o) (Non-Residential Property), we may either obtain a complete repair estimate from an independent third party of our choosing or rely on repair estimates provided by the Servicer or Beneficiary, provided however, that all such estimates will be based on review of both the interior and exterior of the Property. If we rely on a repair estimate that is not obtained by the Servicer or Beneficiary, we will provide a copy of such estimate to the Servicer or Beneficiary upon request. If we are unable to obtain a repair estimate as described in this paragraph (o) (Non-Residential Property), we may settle the Claim pursuant to the Anticipated Loss Option, in accordance with Section 10.1(d) (Company Options).

(p) **Physical Damage.** There is Physical Damage to the Property that occurred or manifested itself on or after the Commitment date, in which case we may reduce the Insurance Benefit or issue a Claim Denial Notice denying the Claim in full, as specified below.



- (i) **Principal Cause of Default.** If the Physical Damage was the principal cause of the Default giving rise to the Claim, we may issue a Claim Denial Notice denying the Claim in full. The Physical Damage will be deemed to be the principal cause of the Default if either
 - (x) there is direct evidence that the Physical Damage led to the Default, or
 - (y) (I) as of the Claim submission date, the Borrower has not restored the Property to its condition on the Commitment date, reasonable wear and tear excepted, and (II) we reasonably determine that the estimated cost to restore the Property would equal or exceed 25% of the unpaid principal balance of the Loan as of the date we elect to exercise a remedy, and (III) the Property was either uninsured for loss arising from the Physical Damage or was insured for an amount which, disregarding normal and customary deductibles not to exceed \$5,000, was insufficient to restore the Property to its condition as of the Commitment date, reasonable wear and tear excepted, and (IV) the Default occurred on or after the date that the Physical Damage occurred or manifested itself, and (V) the Property is Uninhabitable.
- (ii) Not Principal Cause of Default. If (x) the Physical Damage was not the principal cause of the Default giving rise to the Claim, and (v) as of the Claim submission date the Property has not been restored to its condition that existed on the Commitment date, reasonable wear and tear excepted, and (z) we reasonably determine that the estimated cost to restore the Property to its condition on the Commitment date exceeds \$5,000, we will, if we select the Acquisition Option or if there is a Pre-Settlement Sale, reduce the Insurance Benefit by the estimated repair cost in accordance with the curtailment procedures set forth in the then-current Servicing Guide. No such reduction will apply if the Insurance Benefit is paid under the Percentage Option or if the Property has been restored to its condition on the Commitment date, reasonable wear and tear excepted. If we reasonably determine that no Insurance Benefit would be payable if restoration were completed, then, regardless of the settlement option selected, we may issue a Claim Denial Notice denying the Claim in full.

Cost of Restoration of Property. In establishing the cost to restore the Property to its condition on the Commitment date, we may either obtain a complete repair estimate from an independent third party of our choosing or rely on repair estimates provided by the Servicer or Beneficiary, provided however, that all such estimates will be based on review of both the interior and exterior of the Property. If we rely on a repair estimate that is not obtained by the Servicer or Beneficiary, we will provide a copy of the estimate to the Servicer or Beneficiary upon request. If we are unable to obtain a repair estimate as described in

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this paragraph (iii) (Cost of Restoration of Property), we may settle the Claim pursuant to the Anticipated Loss Option, in accordance with Section 10.1(d) (Company Options). We will specify the amount of any reduction in the Insurance Benefit on account of Physical Damage in the Explanation of Benefits and any such reduction may be appealed in accordance with Section 4.4 (Appeal of Rescission, Cancellation, Denial or Reduction in Insurance Benefit).

- (q) Pre-Existing Environmental Condition or Impairment. An Environmental Condition or Impairment existed on the Property on the Commitment date (whether or not known by the Person submitting the Insurance Application) that was material to our acceptance of the risk, such that we would not have insured the Loan had we known of the Environmental Condition or Impairment, in which case (i) we may issue a Company Cancellation Notice to cancel the Commitment, or (ii) if the Environmental Condition or Impairment was the principal cause of Default, we may issue a Rescission Notice rescinding coverage. The Environmental Condition or Impairment will be deemed to be the principal cause of the Default if there is direct evidence that the Environmental Condition or Impairment led to the Default, or if, as of the Claim submission date, the Borrower has not completely removed or otherwise remediated the Environmental Condition or Impairment and the Property is Uninhabitable.
- (r) Prior Delinquencies; First Payment Default.
 - (i) A Default existed as of the Certificate Effective Date or the date that we receive notice that a Certificate Effective Date has been established and we activate the Loan on our system, in which case we may issue a Rescission Notice rescinding coverage on a Certificate. The Rescission Limitations apply to a rescission under this paragraph (i).
 - (ii) A Default existed with respect to the first Loan Payment due under the Loan and such Default continues at the time of Claim submission, in which case we may issue a Claim Denial Notice denying the Claim in full.
- (s) Release from Indebtedness/Borrower Defenses. A Borrower is released from indebtedness under the Loan without our prior consent or a Borrower successfully asserts defenses to liability for such indebtedness, in which case we may reduce the unpaid principal balance in determining the Calculated Loss, in full or in part, based upon the amount of the indebtedness (i) from which the Borrower is released without our prior consent, or (ii) against which the Borrower successfully asserts defenses. The reduction described in this Section 4.1(s) (Release from Indebtedness/Borrower Defenses) does not apply if a Loan has been divided into secured and unsecured portions pursuant to proceedings under the federal bankruptcy laws, so long as the entire Premium continues to be paid without giving effect to such division.

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4.2 APPLICATION OF EXCLUSION

- (a) Notice of Remedy. Each Rescission Notice, Company Cancellation Notice, Claim Denial Notice and Explanation of Benefit (in the case of a reduction in Calculated Loss or Insurance Benefit) will identify the affected Commitment or Certificate and state the reason for the notice; provided however, that the inclusion or omission of a reason in any such notice will not limit our right to rescind or cancel coverage, deny a Claim or reduce the Calculated Loss or Insurance Benefit if there is another basis for cancellation, rescission, Claim denial or reduction in Calculated Loss or Insurance Benefit, nor will such circumstances limit our other rights and remedies set forth elsewhere in this Policy.
- (b) Premium Refund. If we cancel coverage on a Certificate pursuant to a Company Cancellation Notice or deny a Claim pursuant to a Claim Denial Notice, we will refund to the Servicer, unless otherwise directed by the GSE Beneficiary, all Premium received for the time period after the occurrence of the event giving rise to the right of cancellation or denial, if any, and otherwise in accordance with our Premium refund schedule or policies applicable to the Certificate. If we rescind coverage on a Certificate pursuant to a Rescission Notice, we will refund all Premium received, if any, in connection with the Certificate to the Servicer.
- (c) **Effect of Remedy.** No rescission, cancellation, Claim denial or reduction in Calculated Loss or Insurance Benefit for a particular Loan, Commitment, Certificate or Claim will affect coverage under this Policy on any other Loan, Commitment, Certificate or Claim.

4.3 RESCISSION LIMITATIONS

- (a) **Coverage Commitment.** We will not rescind coverage due to an Eligibility Criteria Violation with respect to a Loan if, at the end of the 36th month following the due date of the Borrower's first Loan Payment, the following 5 conditions are met ("Coverage Commitment"), as demonstrated by the payment history from the Servicing File or other evidence acceptable to us:
 - (i) The 36th Loan Payment is not 30 days Delinquent; and
 - (ii) All Loan Payments were made from the Borrower's Own Funds; and
 - (iii) Not more than 2 Loan Payments were 30 days Delinquent; and
 - (iv) No Loan Payment was 60 or more days Delinquent; and
 - (v) The Loan was not subject to a Workout.
- (b) **Enhanced Coverage Commitment.** We will not rescind coverage on account of an Eligibility Criteria Violation with respect to a Loan if such Loan

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- qualifies for an Enhanced Coverage Commitment, subject to the terms and conditions of the applicable endorsement.
- (c) Other Policy Provisions. Except as otherwise set forth in this Policy, the Rescission Limitations in Section 4.3(a) (Coverage Commitment) and Section 4.3(b) (Enhanced Coverage Commitment) do not limit our rights under any other provisions of this Policy.
- (d) Effect on Investigation and Documentation Requests. Unless we become aware of Credible Evidence, through our own investigation, publicly available information, or otherwise, that there has been First Party Misrepresentation or Pattern Activity, we will not request information or documentation from the Servicer pursuant to Section 16.2 (Duty of Cooperation) regarding an Eligibility Criteria Violation with respect to a Loan after the conditions are satisfied for the Rescission Limitations in Section 4.3(a) (Coverage Commitment) or Section 4.3(b) (Enhanced Coverage Commitment). We will not exercise our remedies under Section 4.1(a) (Access and Information) as a result of a failure of the Servicer or Beneficiary to respond to documentation requests which would be impermissible under this Section 4.3(d) (Effect on Investigation and Documentation Requests). Nothing in this Section 4.3(d) (Effect on Investigation and Documentation Requests) will prevent us from requesting (i) information or documentation required under Section 9.2(b) (Additional Claim Requirements) in connection with perfection and settlement of a Claim, (ii) servicing-related information or documentation not related to the Origination of the Loan, or (iii) information or documentation we require for purposes of compliance with our legal or regulatory obligations.

4.4 APPEAL OF RESCISSION, CANCELLATION, DENIAL OR REDUCTION IN INSURANCE BENEFIT

- (a) Request for Reconsideration. The Beneficiary, or the Servicer on the Beneficiary's behalf, is entitled, no later than 90 days following receipt of a Company Cancellation Notice, Rescission Notice, Claim Denial Notice, or receipt of an Explanation of Benefits identifying an Insurance Benefit reduction, to request in writing that we reconsider our decision, provided however, the Servicer and Beneficiary shall provide all information and documentation we require for evaluation of the request within such 90-day period, as specified in our then-current Servicing Guide (or, with respect to documentation from the Loan Origination File or otherwise relating to Origination of the Loan, the Servicing Guide in effect on the date the Insurance Application was received by us), and the request for reconsideration will not be considered submitted until all such information has been received.
- (b) **Company Determination.** We will make a determination with respect to any such request within 60 days following submission of the request for reconsideration with all required information and documentation and supplemental information determined to be appropriate by the Servicer or Beneficiary. If all required information is not submitted during the 90-day period set forth in paragraph 4.4(a) (Request for Reconsideration), we will

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deny such request. If, after review of the request, we determine that the Servicer or Beneficiary has provided evidence or an explanation reasonably satisfactory to rebut the cancellation, rescission, Claim denial or Insurance Benefit reduction, then unless there is another basis for cancellation, rescission, Claim denial or reduction in the Insurance Benefit, we will,

- (i) in the case of a rescission or cancellation, reinstate coverage on the Certificate, effective as of the date of the rescission or cancellation effective date, provided that we have received all refunded Premium and any additional Premium then due, and
- (ii) in the case of a Claim denial or Insurance Benefit reduction, pay the Insurance Benefit (calculated in accordance with and subject to any reductions provided for in this Policy) in full within 10 Business Days of such determination.
- (c) Pending Claim. If a Claim was pending when coverage was rescinded or cancelled, and coverage is subsequently reinstated, such Claim will be perfected and settled in accordance with Section 9.2 (Claim Requirements). If the Claim has been perfected pursuant to Section 9.2 (Claim Requirements) prior to the date of rescission, the Settlement Due Date for that Claim will be 10 Business Days after reinstatement. If a Claim was pending when coverage was rescinded, and coverage is subsequently reinstated based solely on our reconsideration of our original rescission decision, without the production of new information or documentation, the interest added to the Calculated Loss pursuant to Section 9.3(b) (Interest) will include such accumulated unpaid interest through the date that the Insurance Benefit is paid.
- (d) Failure to Perfect Claim. Notwithstanding Section 4.4(b) (Company Determination), in the case of a Claim Denial Notice that has been issued because the Claim was not perfected, if we subsequently determine on the basis of our review that the Claim is a Perfected Claim, we will process such Claim in accordance with the provisions of this Policy applicable to the settlement of Perfected Claims.
- (e) **Nonpayment of Premium.** The provisions of this Section 4.4 (Appeal of Rescission, Cancellation, Denial or Reduction in Insurance Benefit) do not apply if coverage on a Certificate terminates or is cancelled pursuant to Section 2 (Insurance Application, Commitment/Certificate and Premium) due to non-payment of Premium.

5 POLICY ADMINISTRATION

The submission of the reports and information required under this Section 5 (Policy Administration) will constitute a representation by the Servicer that all such information is complete and accurate in all material respects.

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5.1 Servicing Reports; Notice of Proceedings and Loan Payoff

- (a) **Servicing Reports.** As long as coverage is in force on any Certificate under this Policy, the Servicer shall provide a Servicing Report for the prior month on or before the 25th day of each month.
- (b) **Notice of Proceedings.** In addition to monthly Servicing Reports, the Servicer shall provide us with notice within 30 days after the Servicer or Beneficiary has knowledge of the commencement of any proceeding, including Appropriate Proceedings or Borrower Proceedings, which affects or may affect the Loan, Mortgage, Property, or the Servicer's, Beneficiary's or Borrower's interest therein.
- (c) **Notice of Loan Payoff**. In addition to monthly Servicing Reports, the Servicer shall provide us with notice within 30 days after a Loan is paid in full.

5.2 Workouts

- **Approval Process.** All Workouts require our prior approval. Within 10 (a) Business Days of our receipt of a request for a proposed Workout, we will approve or deny such request. If we fail to respond to a request to approve a Workout within such 10 Business Days, the proposed Workout is deemed to be approved. If we require additional information to evaluate the proposed Workout, we will deny the request within such 10 Business Days, indicate the additional information required and then reconsider the request if resubmitted with the required information. Notwithstanding the foregoing deemed approval provision, if there is a related delegation agreement between us and a Servicer or a GSE Beneficiary, our failure to respond to a Workout request within such 10 Business Days shall not be construed to be an approval of any Workout that does not comply with such delegation agreement. Submission of any Workout to us shall constitute a representation that the Servicer has consented to such Workout and that any requisite consent from any GSE Beneficiary has been obtained.
- (b) **Effect on Premium**. Any additional Premium payable as a result of an increase in the unpaid principal balance of the Loan must be paid within 60 days of our approval of the Workout. If an approved Workout that requires a change in the Premium amount is not consummated, the Servicer shall so notify us within 60 days after our approval.

(c) Allocation of Funds.

(i) If the Beneficiary is not a GSE, and the terms of the approved Workout involve a transfer of Borrower's Title and provide that a cash contribution or payment under the terms of a promissory note will be paid by the Borrower to us in connection with such Workout, then the amount of such cash contribution or payment on a promissory note will be paid in full to us as agreed.

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(ii) If the Beneficiary is a GSE, and the terms of the approved Workout involve a transfer of Borrower's Title and provide that a cash contribution or payment under the terms of a promissory note will be paid by the Borrower in connection with such Workout, then unless otherwise agreed by the GSE Beneficiary and us in writing, the amount of any such contribution or payment will be paid in full as agreed, and such contribution or payment, less any reasonable expenses incurred in documenting and collecting the Borrower contribution or payment, will be shared by the GSE Beneficiary and us pro rata. Our pro rata share of the contribution shall be calculated using a quotient, the numerator of which shall be the Insurance Benefit paid, and the denominator of which shall be the Total Loss. If the Borrower contribution or payment is to be shared by the parties as described herein, the party receiving any such funds will remit the other party's share promptly following receipt thereof.

5.3 SERVICER AUTHORITY

- (a) Servicer Actions. The Servicer is deemed to act solely as an authorized representative of the Beneficiary for purposes of this Policy. The Servicer is not our agent or representative. All statements, acts and omissions on the part of the Servicer, to the extent they would result in acceptance of or a reduction or denial of the Insurance Benefit, are binding on the Beneficiary including the acceptance of any rescission, cancellation, Claim denial, Insurance Benefit payment or refund of Premium. Notwithstanding the foregoing provision, and without limitation of our remedies and defenses set forth in the Policy, the Beneficiary shall have no liability to us for the statements, acts or omissions of the Servicer. If the Beneficiary is a GSE, the Servicer has no authority, without the prior written consent of the GSE Beneficiary, to
 - (i) manage or dispose of any Property that is the subject of any Loan owned by the GSE Beneficiary,
 - (ii) receive an Insurance Benefit for any such Loan,
 - (iii) enter into any Workout with respect to the Loan (whether or not we have consented to the Workout),
 - (iv) enter into any loss sharing, indemnification, settlement or compromise agreement with us if such agreement affects the GSE Beneficiary's interest in 2 or more Loans, or
 - (v) give any consent on behalf of the GSE Beneficiary, including a consent to arbitrate any dispute with regard to any such Loan or group of Loans.

The foregoing provision does not limit the Servicer's authority to settle a Claim with us in the ordinary course of our business, without the consent of

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the GSE Beneficiary, provided that in connection with such settlement, we do not receive any financial consideration independent of any Insurance Benefit adjustment, we provide an Explanation of Benefits for the Claim, and the Claim settlement is subject to the provisions of Section 4.4 (Appeal of Rescission, Cancellation, Denial or Reduction in Insurance Benefit).

- (b) Beneficiary Actions. All statements, acts and omissions on the part of the Beneficiary, to the extent they would result in acceptance of or a reduction or denial of the Insurance Benefit, or rescission of coverage on a Certificate, are binding on the Servicer including the acceptance of any rescission, cancellation, Claim denial, Insurance Benefit payment or refund of Premium. Subject to the limitations in paragraph (a) above for GSE Beneficiaries, any acts of the Beneficiary under this Policy may be performed by the Servicer.
- (c) **Subservicer.** If a Subservicer is servicing a Loan, the Servicer shall remain responsible for performing all obligations of the Servicer under this Policy. All statements, acts and omissions of the Subservicer shall be binding on the Servicer to the same extent as if made, performed or omitted by the Servicer. A Subservicer shall not become the Insured with respect to a Certificate unless we are notified that the servicing of the Loan has been transferred to the Subservicer by the Servicer in accordance with Section 5.3(d) (Change of Servicer) below and subject to Section 5.4 (Approval of Servicer).
- (d) Change of Servicer. The transferee Servicer or Beneficiary shall provide notice to us no later than 30 days after a transfer of servicing with respect to a Loan, but in any event prior to our payment of any Insurance Benefit for the Loan. Until we receive such notice, the Person most recently identified to us as the Servicer for a Loan will be deemed to be the Servicer of the Loan, subject to the provisions of Section 5.4 (Approval of Servicer). Any failure to give notice under this paragraph will not invalidate the automatic Beneficiary status of any Loan Transferee.

5.4 APPROVAL OF SERVICER

- (a) **Approval**. The Servicer of a Loan must be approved by us to service a Loan insured under this Policy. Any Person that is a current holder of a Policy issued by us is deemed to be an approved Servicer, <u>provided however</u>, that we may revoke or limit our approval pursuant to this Section 5.4 (Approval of Servicer). A natural, individual person may not be an approved Servicer.
- (b) **Limitations.** We may revoke or limit our approval of any Servicer at any time, <u>provided however</u>, that we have first (i) notified such Servicer of our reason for such revocation or limitation, and (ii) if we have identified performance deficiencies as the reason for our revocation or limitation of approval, given such Servicer a 60-day period to remedy the performance deficiencies. If any performance deficiencies are identified and not remedied to our satisfaction within the 60-day period, we may notify such Servicer that our approval of such Servicer is revoked or limited, effective as of the date of such notice. In the case of a GSE Beneficiary, we will provide such GSE

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Beneficiary with a copy of any such notice to the Servicer under this Section 5.4 (Approval of Servicer). At our option, the terms of the revocation or limitation may be that either:

- (i) the Servicer will no longer be permitted to service any Loans, in which case the servicing of all Loans must be transferred to an approved Servicer within 120 days after our notice to the Servicer and, if applicable, GSE Beneficiary; or
- (ii) the Servicer will be permitted to continue to service the Loans it services as of the effective date of our revocation notice set forth in Section 5.4(b) (Limitations) above, but will not be permitted to service any other Loans (whether as a result of Loan Transfer, Origination or otherwise). If we limit a Servicer's approval in accordance with this clause (ii), we may thereafter revoke approval under clause (i) without providing an additional cure period with respect to the Servicer's performance deficiencies.
- (c) Remedies. Coverage on a Certificate will continue uninterrupted when servicing is transferred from one approved Servicer to another approved Servicer; provided however, we may issue a Company Cancellation Notice cancelling coverage on a Certificate or a Claim Denial Notice denying a Claim in full if:
 - (i) on the date of the servicing transfer, the servicing transferee is not an approved Servicer or is a Servicer whose approval is limited pursuant to Section 5.4(b)(ii) (Limitations) unless the servicing of the related Loan is transferred to an approved Servicer within 120 days of our revocation notice to the Servicer and Beneficiary; or
 - (ii) effective as of the day after the 120 day deadline set forth above in clause (i) of Section 5.4(b) (Limitations), servicing has not been transferred as required.

5.5 Successors, Policy Beneficiaries and Related Matters

- (a) **Binding Effect.** The provisions of this Policy and any Certificate will inure to the benefit of and be binding upon us, the Insured and the Beneficiary and our and their respective successors. The coverage on any Certificate for a Loan under this Policy will survive any Loan Transfer with respect to such Loan.
- (b) Loan Transferee as Beneficiary. In the case of a Loan Transfer, the Loan Transferee will be the Beneficiary of the applicable Certificate for all purposes under this Policy, effective as of the date of the Loan Transfer, and any rights and obligations of the Loan Transferor under this Policy will transfer to the Loan Transferee. The Servicer or Loan Transferee shall provide notice to us of any Loan Transfer within 60 days of the transfer, but in any event prior to the payment of any Insurance Benefit for the Certificate. Any failure to give

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notice of a Loan Transfer will not invalidate the automatic Beneficiary status of any Loan Transferee, but prior to such notice, we will be entitled to treat the Person shown in our records as the prior Beneficiary as the Beneficiary for all purposes of this Policy.

- (c) **Company Rights.** No Loan Transfer or change in the identity of any Insured, Servicer or Beneficiary will affect any of our rights under this Policy, regardless of the knowledge or responsibility of the new Insured, Servicer or Beneficiary relating to matters occurring before becoming an Insured, Servicer or Beneficiary.
- (d) No Third Party Beneficiary. In no event will any Borrower or other Person other than the Insured and the Beneficiary be deemed to be a party to, or intended beneficiary of, this Policy.
- (e) **Recovery Rights.** No payments made hereunder to the Servicer or Beneficiary will lessen or affect our or any such party's rights of recovery against any Borrower or other Person.
- (f) Effect of Other Contracts. No rights, remedies or other terms and conditions set forth in or arising under any contractual arrangement between any of a Servicer, Beneficiary and/or other Person will give any party to such contractual arrangement any right or remedy under this Policy. No contractual arrangement between any of a Servicer, Beneficiary and/or other Person will affect the terms or conditions or interpretation of this Policy. Without limitation of the foregoing, the contractual duty of a Loan Transferor to repurchase a Loan or "make-whole" a Loan Transferee does not in and of itself give rise to any rights under this Policy. If a Loan Transferor of a particular Loan subsequently repurchases, assumes or otherwise acquires a Loan, then that Loan Transferor, at the time such repurchase, assumption or acquisition is completed, will be considered the Loan Transferee of such Loan, subject to Section 5.5(b) (Loan Transferee as Beneficiary).

5.6 BENEFICIARY OPTION TO BECOME THE INSURED

The Beneficiary may by notice to us elect to become the Insured under this Policy with respect to one or more Certificates. Effective upon our receipt of such notice, the Beneficiary will be the Insured under this Policy, subject to all of the rights and obligations of the Insured hereunder with respect to such Certificate and the insured Loan.

5.7 Access to Information by GSE Beneficiary

Upon the request of a GSE Beneficiary, we will provide directly to the GSE Beneficiary all information reasonably accessible to us pertaining to any Loan that is owned by such GSE Beneficiary. We, the Initial Insured and the Servicer, in its capacity as authorized representative of the GSE Beneficiary, will waive any objection to providing such information directly to the GSE Beneficiary.

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5.8 COORDINATION OF BENEFITS

The coverage under this Policy will be excess over any other insurance which may apply to the Property or to the Loan regardless of the type of insurance or the effective date of such other coverage, except for mortgage guaranty pool insurance or supplemental mortgage guaranty insurance.

5.9 EMINENT DOMAIN

If part or all of the Property is taken by eminent domain, condemnation or by any other proceedings by a federal, state or local government unit or agency, the Servicer shall require that the Borrower apply the maximum permissible amount of any compensation awarded in such proceedings to reduce the outstanding principal balance and interest due under the Loan, in accordance with the law of the jurisdiction where the Property is located.

6 CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO PAYMENT OF A CLAIM

The submission of the reports required under this Section 6 (Conditions Precedent to Payment of a Claim) will constitute a representation by the Servicer that all information contained in such reports is complete and accurate in all material respects. The conditions precedent to our obligations under this Policy include the following:

6.1 DEFAULT REPORTING

- (a) **Notice of Default.** If the Borrower fails to make 2 consecutive Loan Payments, the Servicer shall provide notice of the Default to us prior to the due date of the next Loan Payment (a "Notice of Default"). The Servicing Reports required by Section 5.1 (Servicing Reports; Notice of Proceedings and Loan Payoff) do not constitute the Notice of Default required under this paragraph.
- (b) **Monthly Default Report.** After the date that the Notice of Default is required to be provided, the Servicer shall submit on or before the 25th day of each month a report on the status of the Loan and efforts to remedy the Default or complete Appropriate Proceedings, in accordance with the requirements in our then current Servicing Guide and including:
 - (i) the status of the Loan (*i.e.*, current or Delinquent by a specified number of days);
 - the Servicer's efforts to remedy the Default, including all Workouts proposed to the Borrower and the status of Borrower contact efforts, if any;
 - (iii) the initiation date and status of any Appropriate Proceedings that have been commenced, together with copies of all notices and pleadings filed or required in connection with such proceedings;

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- (iv) the initiation date and status of any Borrower Proceedings; and
- (v) if applicable, that the Loan has been classified as uncollectable and charged-off.

The Servicer shall continue to submit such monthly reports until a Claim is submitted or no Loan Payment is Delinquent by 30 days or more. The Servicer shall submit a final report on the resolution of the Default in the month following such resolution. The monthly reporting requirement in this paragraph is in addition to the requirement to submit Servicing Reports.

6.2 APPROPRIATE PROCEEDINGS

(a) Commencement. Unless:

- (i) prevented by a government or judicially imposed moratorium of general applicability to a specific jurisdiction (and not as a result of the Servicer voluntarily conforming to such a moratorium without a legal obligation to do so); or
- (ii) prohibited by Applicable Law; or
- (iii) the Servicer is actively and diligently pursuing a Workout or has placed a Borrower into a Workout, in either case, in accordance with Section 6.3 (Mitigation of Loss); or
- (iv) we provide written instructions that some other action be taken,

the Servicer must commence Appropriate Proceedings by filing a complaint in the appropriate court, publishing a notice of sale or by such other process as required by Applicable Law to initiate Appropriate Proceedings by the later of (x) 30 days after the Loan remains in Default for a period of 6 consecutive months, or (y) 60 days after the earliest date after such 6-month period that Appropriate Proceedings may be commenced under Applicable Law. If we direct such action pursuant to clause (iv) above, the Servicer shall commence Appropriate Proceedings in the manner we direct not later than 15 days after we direct such action, if permitted by Applicable Law, provided however, that if the Beneficiary is a GSE, we will not provide such written instructions to a Servicer unless we have received the GSE Beneficiary's prior written approval to do so.

If a moratorium described in clause (i) above is imposed on account of an event or condition that would permit us to rescind or cancel coverage, deny a Claim with respect to the Certificate, or reduce the Calculated Loss or Insurance Benefit pursuant to any of the Exclusions in Section 4.1 (Exclusions), any interest accruing after Appropriate Proceedings were required to be commenced in the absence of the moratorium through the date of actual commencement will not be included under Section 9.3 (Calculated Loss) for purposes of determining the Calculated Loss.



(b) **Completion**. The Servicer shall diligently pursue completion of the Appropriate Proceedings in accordance with Applicable Law (which will be deemed not to include a government or judicially imposed moratorium to which the Servicer or Beneficiary voluntarily conforms its practices without a legal obligation to do so) and in compliance with the foreclosure sale timeframes in the Servicing Guide then in effect. In connection with Appropriate Proceedings in which a deficiency may be pursued against the Borrower, the Servicer shall bid an amount at the foreclosure sale that fully protects our rights under this Policy against the Borrower (including our right to obtain a Deficiency Judgment) if permitted by Applicable Law. The Servicer shall bid (i) in accordance with our foreclosure bidding guidelines set forth in the Servicing Guide then in effect, or (ii) in the case of a GSE Beneficiary, in accordance with the GSE Beneficiary's foreclosure bidding guidelines then in effect, or our foreclosure bidding guidelines as approved by the GSE Beneficiary.

6.3 MITIGATION OF LOSS

The Servicer shall:

- (i) prevent and mitigate loss in a reasonable and prudent manner and consistent with generally accepted standards of servicing then in use in the first-lien residential mortgage industry, including with respect to loans for which there is no mortgage guaranty insurance, but in no event at a standard less than the GSE-required servicing standards then in effect; and
- (ii) comply with the Servicing Guide then in effect and any other applicable guidelines to which the Servicer or Beneficiary is subject, and as we may otherwise direct from time to time.

Such prevention and mitigation efforts shall include good faith efforts to obtain a cure of any Default including, as applicable, prompt and ongoing Borrower contact and prompt reporting of Defaults to appropriate credit reporting agencies, collection of amounts due under the Loan, collection of rents, inspection and appraisal of the Property, effectuating the early disposition of the Property, including marketing pursuant to Section 7.4 (Marketing Efforts), offering to any Borrower who has the willingness and ability to cure the Default a Workout approved by us pursuant to Section 5.2 (Workouts), assertion of the Servicer's and Beneficiary's rights in and to any collateral or security in its custody or control, assertion of rights against the Borrower, prompt reporting to us of any Pre-Settlement Sale offers and diligent pursuit and completion of Appropriate Proceedings in accordance with Section 6.2 (Appropriate Proceedings). The status of each Workout shall be reported to us on a monthly basis. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, nothing in Section 6.2 (Appropriate Proceedings) or this Section 6.3 (Mitigation of Loss) will prevent or restrict the Servicer or GSE Beneficiary from electing to foreclose on a Property; provided however, that if such foreclosure results in any non-compliance with the servicing requirements of this Policy, the Insurance Benefit otherwise payable for the Claim will be subject to reduction in accordance with Section 4.1(h) (Failure to Satisfy Post-Origination Conditions or Obligations).



6.4 OUR RIGHT TO ASSIST IN MITIGATION EFFORTS

We have the right to assist in efforts to mitigate any loss, including by engaging a specialty servicer or other vendor at our expense to oversee the Servicer's, Beneficiary's and their agents' activities with respect to the Loans. We also may engage in Borrower contact activities, including activities such as obtaining information from the Borrower, conducting Property inspections and requesting appraisals of the Property, to the extent permitted by Applicable Law. The Servicer shall cooperate with us as reasonably necessary to enable us to engage in such mitigation and Borrower contact activities.

7 APPROVED SALES

7.1 APPROVAL OF PRE-SETTLEMENT SALE

A Pre-Settlement Sale requires our prior approval. If the Servicer or Beneficiary has obtained Borrower's Title to the Property, but an Insurance Benefit has not yet been paid for a Claim, the Servicer or Beneficiary shall promptly submit to us any offers to purchase the Property that it intends to accept, together with (i) a schedule of expense items proposed to be included in the Property settlement amount if the Property sale closes and the then-estimated amounts of such expenses, and (ii) a current Property valuation. Within 10 Business Days of our receipt of the Pre-Settlement Sale approval request, we will approve or decline to approve such Pre-Settlement Sale. If we fail to respond to a request to approve a Pre-Settlement Sale within 10 Business Days, the Pre-Settlement Sale is deemed to be approved. If we require additional information to evaluate the proposed Pre-Settlement Sale, we will deny the request within 10 Business Days, indicate the additional information required and reconsider the request if resubmitted with the required information. Notwithstanding the foregoing deemed approval provision, if there is a separate delegation agreement between us and a Servicer or GSE Beneficiary, our failure to respond to a Pre-Settlement Sale approval request within such 10 Business Days will not be construed to be an approval of any Pre-Settlement Sale which does not comply with the terms of such delegation agreement.

7.2 SETTLEMENT ON THE BASIS OF APPROVED SALE

If an Approved Sale is completed and an Insurance Benefit would otherwise be payable under this Policy, then, with respect to the Approved Sale:

- (i) We will be deemed to have waived our right to exercise the Acquisition Option, and will be deemed to have waived our right to receive Good and Marketable Title or Borrower's Title to the Property.
- (ii) The Servicer or Beneficiary will have the sole right to receive the Net Proceeds of the Approved Sale and acceptance of the Net Proceeds in satisfaction of the Loan will not prejudice the Beneficiary hereunder.

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7.3 Pre-Settlement Sale That Does Not Close

If a Pre-Settlement Sale is considered but does not close, we may settle the Claim under either the Acquisition Option or the Percentage Option. If the Claim has not been perfected on the date we are notified that the Pre-Settlement Sale did not close, the Servicer or Beneficiary shall submit all information required by Section 9.2(a) (Initial Claim Requirements) and such Claim will be perfected and settled in accordance with Section 9.2 (Claim Requirements). If the Claim has been perfected pursuant to Section 9.2 (Claim Requirements) prior to the date we are notified that the Pre-Settlement Sale did not close, the Settlement Due Date for that Claim will be 10 Business Days after we are notified that the Pre-Settlement Sale did not close; provided however, that we will not be required to pay interest pursuant to Section 10.2 (Payment After Settlement Due Date) prior to the date that is 60 days after the Claim is deemed a Perfected Claim. If we do not make a settlement election within the Claim Settlement Period provided for in this Section 7.3 (Pre-Settlement Sale That Does Not Close), we will be deemed to have elected the Percentage Option.

7.4 Marketing Efforts Upon Acquisition of Borrower's Title

The mitigation efforts required by Section 6.3 (Mitigation of Loss) include diligent efforts to market any Property for which a Servicer or Beneficiary has obtained Borrower's Title. The Servicer shall authorize and direct its broker to release to us any marketing information concerning the Property that we request.

8 OUR OPTIONS UPON NOTICE OF DEFAULT

8.1 ACCELERATED CLAIM.

- (a) **Direction to Submit.** At any time after our receipt of a Notice of Default, we may by notice direct the Servicer to submit a Claim (an "Accelerated Claim"). The Servicer shall submit the Accelerated Claim in accordance with Section 9.2 (Claim Requirements), as modified by this Section 8.1 (Accelerated Claim), within 60 days of our notice. If we pay an Insurance Benefit on an Accelerated Claim, we will pay the Insurance Benefit under the Percentage Option. No accrued and unpaid interest due on the Loan will be included in the Calculated Loss on an Accelerated Claim for any period after the Accelerated Claim submission deadline. Whether an Accelerated Claim is deemed a Perfected Claim will be determined on the basis of information and documentation in existence on the date that the Accelerated Claim is submitted. We may, in our sole discretion, pay an Insurance Benefit on an Accelerated Claim that is not a Perfected Claim.
- (b) Continuation of Mitigation Activities. Notwithstanding our direction to submit an Accelerated Claim, the obligations of the Servicer under Section 6 (Conditions Precedent to Payment of a Claim) to pursue Appropriate Proceedings and to mitigate loss will continue as if the submission of the Claim had not been accelerated. Our direction to submit an Accelerated Claim will in no way restrict any of our rights or remedies under this Policy.



- (c) Refund of Premium and Reinstatement. If the Servicer or Beneficiary is unable to acquire Borrower's Title to the Property, or if the Default is cured after we have paid an Insurance Benefit pursuant to an Accelerated Claim, the Beneficiary, or, if the Beneficiary elected that the Servicer receive the Insurance Benefit, the Servicer, will refund any Insurance Benefit paid for the Certificate on the Accelerated Claim, and we will reinstate coverage on the Certificate, subject to our rights and remedies under this Policy. If the Beneficiary is a GSE, a refund pursuant to this paragraph (c) will not be required unless the Servicer or GSE Beneficiary has agreed in writing prior to our direction to the Servicer to submit an Accelerated Claim that a refund will be payable as provided herein.
- (d) **Supplemental Claim.** Within 90 days after the acquisition of Borrower's Title by the Insured, Servicer or Beneficiary or an Approved Sale to a third party, the Servicer or Beneficiary will be entitled to submit a supplemental Claim for allowable Advances actually paid by the Servicer or Beneficiary that were not included in the Accelerated Claim, but nothing herein will be deemed to entitle the Servicer to seek a supplemental or additional payment of anything other than such Advances. Advances are allowable to the extent they would be included in the Calculated Loss under Section 9.3(c) (Advances) for, as applicable (i) the period through which Appropriate Proceedings required to obtain Borrower's Title were required to have been completed, or (ii) the date of completion of an Approved Sale to a third party. Any supplemental Claim paid pursuant to this paragraph (d) shall be paid pursuant to the Percentage Option. Any information or documentation not in existence on the date that the Accelerated Claim is submitted, but which would otherwise be required under Section 9.2(a) (Initial Claim Requirements) and, if applicable, Section 9.2(b) (Additional Claim Requirements) for a Claim to be a Perfected Claim, shall be submitted together with the supplemental Claim. If the supplemental Claim for Advances is submitted within the specified 90-day period together with all required supporting documentation, we will pay any amounts determined to be payable under this Policy within 60 days of our receipt of the supplemental Claim. Any reduction applied to the Calculated Loss or Insurance Benefit paid on the initial Claim shall be applied to the supplemental Claim.

8.2 PRE-CLAIM ADVANCE

Subsequent to our receipt of a Notice of Default for a Loan, and at our discretion, we may pay a Pre-Claim Advance to the Servicer subject to conditions we may determine and for the purposes of mitigating loss. Any amount of the Pre-Claim Advance not repaid to us will be deducted from any future Insurance Benefit paid on the Certificate. If we deny a Claim, reduce the Calculated Loss or Insurance Benefit (whether arising from circumstances before or after the Pre-Claim Advance is made) or rescind or cancel coverage on a Certificate for which a Pre-Claim Advance has been made, we will have the right to recover the Pre-Claim Advance. The Servicer will be obligated to repay us for any of the Pre-Claim Advance not previously repaid within 30 days after such denial, reduction, rescission or cancellation; provided

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<u>however</u>, that if there is a GSE Beneficiary, payment of a Pre-Claim Advance to the Servicer will only be permitted if approved in advance and in writing by the GSE Beneficiary.

8.3 OPTION TO ACQUIRE LOAN

- (a) Exercise of Option. At any time after a Notice of Default is provided for a Loan, and prior to either the cure of the Default or the completion of Appropriate Proceedings, we have the option to acquire the Loan. Within 60 days after our notice to the Servicer and Beneficiary of our intent to acquire the Loan, the Servicer shall provide us with a statement of the acquisition cost of the Loan in a form or format we approve, together with all supporting documentation that we reasonably require to complete the acquisition transaction. The acquisition cost will be computed in the same manner as the computation of Calculated Loss under Section 9.3 (Calculated Loss), except that interest on the Loan will be paid only through the date of acquisition. An election to exercise our option to acquire a Loan, and the payment of the acquisition cost so computed, will be made to the Servicer or Beneficiary within 30 days after our receipt of the statement from the Servicer, together with all required supporting documentation.
- (b) **Obligations of Servicer or Beneficiary**. Contemporaneously with the payment required by paragraph (a) above:
 - (i) the Servicer or Beneficiary shall execute and deliver to us or our designated nominee such instruments or documentation that we may reasonably require to effect or confirm
 - (x) the assignment or transfer of the Loan and any right, title or interest of the Servicer or Beneficiary in and to the Property, Appropriate Proceedings and any other collateral or security, including the Loan File, the Servicing File and any documentation held by any custodian or other Person, free and clear of all liens and encumbrances;
 - (y) the termination of any Person's right to service the Loan; and
 - that the transfer was made properly in accordance with Applicable Law;
 - (ii) the Servicer or Beneficiary shall assign and deliver to us or our designated nominee existing fire, hazard and title insurance policies relating to the Property and an assignment of the coverage under this Policy on the Certificate; and
 - (iii) the Servicer will be released from any further obligation to service the Loan.

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(c) Failure to Transfer Loan. If we are unable to exercise our rights with respect to acquisition of the Loan under this Section 8.3 (Option to Acquire Loan) due to the action or failure to act on the part of the Servicer or Beneficiary, then we may reduce the Insurance Benefit otherwise payable on a subsequently submitted Claim arising from the Default by the amount of damage we reasonably determine resulted from such action or inaction.

9 CLAIM SETTLEMENT PROCEDURE

9.1 SUBMISSION OF CLAIM

- (a) **Time for Submission**. Except in the case of an Approved Sale, an Accelerated Claim or an election by the Servicer or Beneficiary to submit a Claim prior to expiration of the redemption period, a Claim may not be submitted prior to the Servicer's or Beneficiary's acquisition of Borrower's Title. The Servicer or Beneficiary shall submit a Claim no later than 60 days after the earliest to occur of (i) acquisition of Borrower's Title, (ii) the consummation of an Approved Sale, and (iii) expiration of the redemption period. If a Claim is submitted after such time period, then we may reduce the Insurance Benefit or deny the Claim in full in accordance with Section 4.1(n) (Late Claim Submission).
- Redemption. If any Person exercises redemption rights, within 60 days (b) thereafter (i) the Servicer or Beneficiary shall notify us of the redemption, and (ii) the Beneficiary, or, if the Beneficiary elected that the Servicer receive the Insurance Benefit, the Servicer, shall reimburse us for the amount, if any, by which the sum of the Insurance Benefit paid plus the amount realized by the Servicer or Beneficiary from the redemption of the Property exceeds the Calculated Loss. If the Servicer or Beneficiary submits a Claim prior to the expiration of any applicable redemption period, and if we elect the Acquisition Option or the Loss on Property Sale Option, we have no obligation to pay an Insurance Benefit unless and until the redemption period has expired. No interest on an unpaid Insurance Benefit pursuant to Section 10.2 (Payment After Settlement Due Date) will be payable with respect to the period prior to the expiration of the redemption period. The Claim settlement timeline set forth in Section 9 (Claim Settlement Procedure) and Section 10 (Claim Settlement) will govern regardless of whether the redemption period has expired.
- (c) Supplemental Claim. Within 90 days after payment of an Insurance Benefit, the Servicer or Beneficiary will be entitled to submit a supplemental Claim for allowable Advances incurred prior to the date the initial Claim was submitted and actually paid by the Servicer or Beneficiary prior to the submission of the supplemental Claim, but not included in the initial Claim, provided however, nothing herein will be deemed to entitle the Servicer or Beneficiary to seek a supplemental or additional payment of anything other than such Advances. Advances are allowable if they would have been included in the Calculated Loss under Section 9.3(c) (Advances). If the supplemental Claim for Advances and all required documentation related thereto are submitted within

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the 90-day period required by this paragraph, we will pay any such amounts determined to be payable under this Policy within 60 days of receipt of the supplemental Claim. If the Insurance Benefit is calculated pursuant to the Percentage Option, the Percentage Option will also be used to calculate the amount of any benefit payable under the supplemental Claim. Any reduction applied to the Calculated Loss or Insurance Benefit paid on the initial Claim shall be applied to the supplemental Claim.

9.2 CLAIM REQUIREMENTS

- (a) Initial Claim Requirements. The submission of a Claim constitutes a representation that the Claim and all materials submitted therewith are complete and accurate and that all conditions precedent to Claim submission under this Policy have been met. If any information submitted in support of a Claim is incomplete, we must be so advised at the time of submission; otherwise, we will be entitled to consider the information submitted complete in determining whether the Claim is a Perfected Claim. Within the 60-day period specified in Section 9.1(a) (Time for Submission) above, the Servicer shall provide us with the following:
 - (i) a properly completed Claim on a form with all information and documentation specified in the Servicing Guide in effect on (x) the date the Insurance Application is received by us, with respect to information and documentation relating specifically to Origination of the Loan, and (y) the date of Default with respect to all other information and documentation;
 - (ii) the Servicing File;
 - (iii) information and documentation specified in the Servicing Guide demonstrating that the Servicer or Beneficiary has acquired Borrower's Title to the Property, if applicable;
- (b) Additional Claim Requirements. We may, within 20 days of receipt of a Claim under paragraph (a), request that the Servicer provide us with the following documentation specified in the Servicing Guide:
 - (i) documentation demonstrating the amount of consideration the Beneficiary (other than a GSE Beneficiary) paid to acquire the Loan;
 - (ii) if we notify the Servicer that we intend to exercise our right to pursue a Deficiency Judgment prior to the date that the Claim is otherwise deemed a Perfected Claim, a limited power of attorney that meets the requirements specified in the Servicing Guide; and
 - (iii) any information or documentation required under paragraph (a) that was not submitted.

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In addition, upon our request made within 40 days after our receipt of the Claim, the Servicer shall provide us with access to the Property. If we do not receive such information, documentation or Property access within 30 days of our request, we will provide a reminder notice to the Servicer that the required information, documentation or Property access is still outstanding.

- (c) Claim Perfection. A Claim will be a Perfected Claim upon our receipt of all of the information, documentation and Property access, if applicable, described in paragraphs (a) and, if applicable, (b) above.
- (d) Information Requested After Perfection. We may request additional information or documentation within 10 Business Days after a Claim becomes a Perfected Claim, and the Servicer shall use reasonable efforts to satisfy such requests. If we do not receive any information or documentation requested pursuant to this paragraph (d) within 30 days, we will provide a reminder notice to the Servicer that the request is outstanding. No information or documentation requests made after a Claim becomes a Perfected Claim will extend the Claim Settlement Period or affect our obligation to pay interest as described in Section 10.2 (Payment After Settlement Due Date) if we do not pay the Claim on or before the Settlement Due Date.
- (e) Failure to Perfect Claim. If, at the end of the 120-day period following the submission of a Claim under paragraph (a) the Claim has not become a Perfected Claim, we will issue a Claim Denial Notice denying the Claim. If the sole reason the Claim is then not a Perfected Claim is the Servicer or Beneficiary's failure to provide access to the Property, the Claim will be deemed a Perfected Claim on the date Property access is provided if such access is provided prior to the end of the 210-day period following submission of the Claim. If at the end of such 210-day period Property access has not been provided, we will settle the Claim under the Anticipated Loss Option, subject to the terms and conditions of this Policy. If a Claim is denied without payment under this paragraph (e), we will have the right to retain all Premium paid in connection with the Certificate. The Beneficiary or Servicer may appeal the denial pursuant to Section 4.4 (Appeal of Rescission, Cancellation, Denial or Reduction in Insurance Benefit).
- (f) Acquisition Option Requirements. If not already provided or requested pursuant to Section 9.2(b) (Additional Claim Requirements), we will notify the Servicer or Beneficiary of our need for access to the Property for purposes of determining its condition and value to evaluate a potential acquisition by us within 20 days after the date the Claim becomes a Perfected Claim, in which case the Claim Settlement Period will be suspended until the Servicer or Beneficiary provides the required access or completes eviction proceedings, if necessary. If the Servicer or Beneficiary is unable to provide such access or obtain Good and Marketable Title within 210 days following the submission of the Claim under paragraph (a) (Initial Claim Requirements), we will settle such Claim pursuant to the Anticipated Loss Option, in accordance with Section 10.1(d) (Company Options).

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Within 20 days of obtaining access to the Property, we will notify the Servicer or Beneficiary if we will elect the Acquisition Option. Within 20 days following such notice, the Servicer or Beneficiary will provide us with a recordable but unrecorded deed, usual and customary for the Property location, containing the customary warranties and covenants applicable to the entire term of the Loan and conveying to us or our designee Good and Marketable Title, together with any and all other documents required to complete the transfer of title to the Property in the jurisdiction where the Property is located, all of which shall be executed.

If we elect the Acquisition Option in settlement of the Claim, we will (i) pay the Insurance Benefit within 5 Business Days of receiving the title transfer documents relating to the Property; and (ii) submit the title transfer documents relating to the Property for recording within 60 days of receiving them.

- (g) **Effect of Pre-Settlement Sale**. Notwithstanding anything in this Policy to the contrary:
 - (i) if a Pre-Settlement Sale is submitted for approval after a Claim has been submitted but before the Claim becomes a Perfected Claim, the Claim will not become a Perfected Claim unless the Servicer or Beneficiary provides information and documentation evidencing the terms and conditions of the closing of the sale, as specified in the Servicing Guide; and
 - (ii) if a Pre-Settlement Sale is submitted for our approval after the Claim becomes a Perfected Claim, the Servicer or Beneficiary shall provide information and documentation evidencing the terms and conditions of the closing of the sale, as required by the Servicing Guide. The Settlement Due Date will be 10 Business Days following our receipt of all such information and documentation. If we do not pay the Insurance Benefit on or before the Settlement Due Date, we will pay interest in accordance with Section 10.2 (Payment After Settlement Due Date).

9.3 CALCULATED LOSS

Subject to any reduction provided for elsewhere in this Policy, the Calculated Loss with respect to any Claim will be determined as the sum of (a) through (c) below, less the sum of (d) through (m) below:

Additions to Calculated Loss:

(a) Principal. The unpaid principal balance due under the Loan as of the date of Default, including any capitalized interest resulting from a Workout that we approved and any negative amortization, to the extent provided for in the Loan documents. For purposes of determining the unpaid principal balance of the Loan:

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- (i) if the Loan has been divided into secured and unsecured portions pursuant to proceedings under the federal bankruptcy laws, the unpaid principal balance will include both the unpaid secured and unsecured portions of the Loan, even if the Borrower has been released from the unsecured portion of such debt, so long as the Premium required to be paid for coverage on the Certificate was calculated and paid based on both the secured and unsecured portions of the Loan balance; and
- (ii) if a portion of the unpaid principal balance of the Loan has been forgiven as part of a Workout we approved, the amount calculated pursuant to this paragraph (a) will be the unpaid principal balance prior to such forgiveness, provided however, that the Insurance Benefit will be reduced by the incremental amount of additional Premium that would have been payable for the Certificate had the unpaid principal balance not been so reduced.
- (b) Interest. The amount of unpaid accumulated interest due under the Loan, computed at the Loan contract rate or rates (without giving effect to any increase in the interest rate based on the Default or any other default with respect to the Loan) through the earlier of (x) the date the Claim is submitted under Section 9.1(a) (Time for Submission) and (y) the date the Claim is required to be submitted under such Section, provided however, that:
 - (i) if a Loan has been divided into secured and unsecured portions pursuant to proceedings under the federal bankruptcy law, the calculated interest will include interest on both the secured and unsecured portions, computed at the Loan contract rate or rates (without giving effect to any increase in the interest rate based on the Default), from the date of Default through such date so long as the Premium paid for coverage on the Certificate was calculated and paid based on both the secured and unsecured portions of the Loan balance; and
 - (ii) if a portion of the unpaid principal balance of the Loan has been forgiven as part of an approved Workout, no interest will accrue on the forgiven amount; and
 - (iii) if we pay the Insurance Benefit pursuant to the Acquisition Option or the Anticipated Loss Option as set forth in clause (i) of Section 10.1(d) (Company Options), interest shall be included through the date that the Insurance Benefit is paid, <u>provided however</u>, that interest shall not be includable for any period during which the Claim Settlement Period is suspended; and
 - (iv) if we pay the Insurance Benefit pursuant to the Loss on Property Sale Option as set forth in clause (i) of Section 10.1(c) (Company Options), interest shall be included through the date that the Approved Sale is closed.

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Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, in no case will the amount of interest included pursuant to this Section 9.3(b) (Interest) exceed the amount of unpaid interest accumulated under the Loan during the first 36 months that the Loan was in Default.

(c) Advances. The amount of (i) any Advances actually paid by the Servicer or Beneficiary and incurred during the period from the date of Default through the day before the earlier of (x) the date the Claim is submitted under Section 9.1(a) (Time for Submission), and (y) the date the Claim is required to be submitted under Section 9.1(c) (Supplemental Claim), plus (ii) any other reasonable and necessary expenses during the period set forth in (i) above to protect and preserve the Property that we approve, but excluding any expenditures that would avoid an Exclusion from coverage under this Policy.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, Advances will be includable pursuant to this Section 9.3(c) (Advances) only to the extent that such Advances (i) were in fact paid by the Servicer or Beneficiary and (ii) were incurred during a period for which unpaid accumulated interest due under the Loan would be includable pursuant to Section 9.3(b) (Interest) except as set forth in Section 8.1(d) (Accelerated Claim – Supplemental Claim); provided however, that in the case of a Claim where we exercise the Acquisition Option and eviction proceedings are required to obtain Good and Marketable Title to the Property, the Calculated Loss will include Advances incurred by the Servicer or Beneficiary through the date such eviction proceedings are completed.

Subtractions from the Calculated Loss:

- (d) The amount of all rent and other payments (excluding the proceeds of any insurance policy for damages sustained by the Property) which are in any way related to the Property and which have been received by the Servicer or Beneficiary for the period for which interest and Advances are included in the Calculated Loss;
- (e) Any amount remaining in the Loan escrow accounts or security deposits in the custody or control of the Servicer or Beneficiary as of the date that the last Loan Payment was made;
- (f) The amount of any payments received but not applied to the Loan;
- The amount of any benefits paid or pending to the Servicer, Beneficiary or the Borrower under any insurance policy for damages sustained by the Property which is in excess of the actual cost of, or which has not been applied to, restoring and repairing the Property, or which has not been applied to the payment of the Loan;
- (h) The remaining amount, if any, of unused interest buydown funds, discounts, or similar features of the Loan;

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- (i) The Net Proceeds of any Approved Sale, if we elect the Loss on Property Sale Option;
- (j) The full amount of the proceeds awarded in or resulting from an eminent domain proceeding or other condemnation of the Property or a sale of the Property in lieu of condemnation, to the extent not applied to reduce the unpaid principal balance of the Loan;
- (k) Any amount realized as a result of the redemption of the Property;
- (I) If we elect to pay the Insurance Benefit pursuant to the Percentage Option, or if the Percentage Option is used to calculate the Insurance Benefit pursuant to the Loss on Property Sale Option or the Anticipated Loss Option, and all or any portion of the Premium was included in the original principal amount of the Loan, an amount equal to (i) the original mortgage insurance Premium amount included in the principal balance, multiplied by (ii) a percentage, not to exceed 100%, equal to the unpaid principal balance described in paragraph (a) above, divided by the original principal amount of the Loan; and
- (m) If the Servicer or Beneficiary has received from any Person any cash amount in settlement of litigation or claims with respect to the Loan (other than as set forth in Section 5.2 (Workouts)), then the amount of such cash settlement will be shared pro rata by the Beneficiary and us. Our pro rata share of the settlement shall be calculated using a quotient, the numerator of which shall be the Insurance Benefit that would be payable without regard to such cash settlement, and the denominator of which shall be the Total Loss, unless we otherwise agree; provided however, that if the amount received was in settlement of claims with respect to such Loan and one or more other loans not insured under this Policy, then the amount will first be allocated to the Loan and such other loans on a pro rata basis based solely on the number of loans involved in the settlement.

10 CLAIM SETTLEMENT

10.1 COMPANY OPTIONS

We may elect to pay as the Insurance Benefit in settlement of a Claim:

- (a) If we elect the Acquisition Option, the entire Calculated Loss, upon the conveyance to us or our designated nominee of Good and Marketable Title to the Property; or
- (b) If we elect the Percentage Option, the percentage of the Calculated Loss specified in the applicable Certificate; or
- (c) In the case of the Loss on Property Sale Option, which shall apply in the case of a sale pursuant to Section 7.2 (Settlement on the Basis of Approved Sale), the lesser of

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- (i) the entire Calculated Loss, and
- (ii) the amount of the Insurance Benefit that would have been payable had we elected the Percentage Option immediately prior to the Approved Sale; or
- In the case of the Anticipated Loss Option, which shall apply if (x) the Servicer or Beneficiary is unable to provide Property access as set forth in Section 9.2(e) (Failure to Perfect Claim) or Section 9.2(f) (Acquisition Option Requirements), or (y) we are unable to reasonably determine the estimated restoration costs or the extent of Physical Damage to the Property as required by Section 4.1(p)(iii) (Cost of Restoration of Property) or Section 4.1(o) (Non-Residential Property), the lesser of
 - (i) the Calculated Loss, minus the amount of Net Proceeds we reasonably anticipate would be generated if the Property were sold to a third party for fair market value and the Property were in the condition it was in on the Commitment date, reasonable wear and tear excepted, and
 - (ii) the amount that would have been payable if we had elected the Percentage Option.

The Insurance Benefit will be payable to the Servicer, or upon a GSE Beneficiary's election, to the GSE Beneficiary, on or before the Settlement Due Date. If permitted by Applicable Law, any such payment will be subject to adjustment for deficiency-related expenses as described in Section 11.3 (Deficiency Judgments). The Insurance Benefit will be reduced by the following amounts: (x) any Pre-Claim Advance not already repaid to us, provided however, that if the Beneficiary is a GSE, a Pre-Claim Advance will be deducted only if the Pre-Claim Advance was approved by the GSE Beneficiary in advance and in writing; and (y) any Premium that is due but unpaid through the date of Default or any Premium previously returned to the Servicer or Beneficiary. If all or any portion of the Premium was included in the original principal amount of a Loan, in addition to the sum due under the Percentage Option, or pursuant to an Approved Sale if the Percentage Option is used to calculate the Insurance Benefit, the Insurance Benefit will include the amount calculated in Section 9.3(I) (Calculated Loss).

10.2 PAYMENT AFTER SETTLEMENT DUE DATE

If we do not pay the Insurance Benefit on or before the Settlement Due Date, we will pay, in addition to the Insurance Benefit, simple interest on the Insurance Benefit calculated at the Loan contract rate or rates, without giving effect to any increase in the interest rate based on the Default, or any other default with respect to the Loan, accruing from the Settlement Due Date through the date the Insurance Benefit is paid. If, however the Insurance Benefit is not paid within 60 days after the Settlement Due Date, interest will accrue and be payable after such 60th day at the per annum rate equal to the contract rate or rates plus 10 percentage points, without giving effect to any increase in the interest rate based on the Default or any other

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default with respect to the Loan. Interest will not be payable on the Insurance Benefit pursuant to the foregoing provisions in the event of a failure of payment systems beyond our control or during the period of rescission or cancellation if we later reinstate coverage.

10.3 REPAYMENT OF INSURANCE BENEFIT

If we pay any Insurance Benefit and, based on circumstances arising or discovered within 180 days thereafter we determine that the Insurance Benefit should not have been paid because the Claim should have been denied because (i) the transfer of Borrower's Title pursuant to Appropriate Proceedings is reversed or found to have been invalid, or (ii) Borrower's Title was never validly acquired by the Servicer or Beneficiary, or (iii) the indebtedness under the Loan is discharged or reduced, in whole or in part, for whatever reason, including Borrower Proceedings, other judicial or legal action or defects in the foreclosure procedure, then the Servicer or the GSE Beneficiary (if the GSE Beneficiary elected to receive the Insurance Benefit) shall repay to us within 60 days of such determination any amounts for which we would not have been liable under this Policy had we known of the circumstances described above. In addition, if after payment of an Insurance Benefit, we, the Servicer or the Beneficiary receive any cash settlements related to the Loan of the type described in Section 9.3(m) (Calculated Loss), or payment on any promissory note or other evidence of indebtedness (other than in connection with a Workout) provided by a Borrower with respect to the Loan, then the party receiving such amount shall, within such time period as agreed by the parties, share in such payment with the other parties pro rata. Our pro rata share of the payment shall be calculated using a quotient, the numerator of which shall be the Insurance Benefit paid, and the denominator of which shall be the Total Loss.

11 SUBROGATION AND DEFICIENCY JUDGMENTS

11.1 SUBROGATION

We will be subrogated, upon payment of an Insurance Benefit, in the amount thereof in equal priority to all of the Beneficiary's rights of recovery, if any, against a Borrower or any other Person relating to the applicable Loan or Property. Upon our request, or a request by our designee on our behalf, the Servicer and Beneficiary shall provide such information and execute and deliver to us or our designee such documents and instruments and undertake such actions as may be necessary to transfer, assign and secure such rights. The Servicer and Beneficiary shall not, and shall cause their agents not to, either before or after payment of an Insurance Benefit, prejudice such rights.

11.2 DEFICIENCY COLLECTION ACTIVITIES

We and a Beneficiary may, subject to Section 11.1 (Subrogation), independently pursue collection activities against the Borrower, in compliance with Applicable Law, for the recovery of any post-foreclosure deficiency.

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11.3 DEFICIENCY JUDGMENTS

In addition to our rights under Section 11.2 (Deficiency Collection Activities), where permitted by Applicable Law, if we, the Beneficiary or the Servicer desire to pursue a Deficiency Judgment against a Borrower in connection with an insured Loan, the party seeking to pursue a Deficiency Judgment will determine with the other parties with an interest in said Loan whether such Deficiency Judgment will be sought jointly or for its own account.

- (a) Pursuit by Company. If we elect to pursue a Deficiency Judgment and the Servicer and Beneficiary elect not to participate, we will bear all additional expenses (including court costs, attorneys' fees, and other Advances actually paid by the Servicer or Beneficiary and, except on that portion of any Insurance Benefit paid on an Accelerated Claim, interest exclusive of delinquency charges and penalty rates and not compounded) associated with preservation and pursuit of a Deficiency Judgment in excess of those expenses associated with the normal and customary foreclosure process in the absence of Deficiency Judgment proceedings, and at the time of our payment of the Insurance Benefit, we will pay to the Beneficiary, regardless of which settlement option we have selected, the full amount of such additional expenses. The Beneficiary or the Servicer will not be subrogated to any of our rights of recovery against the Borrower or any other Person relating to the Loan or the Property with respect to which we have paid a Claim.
- (b) **Joint Pursuit**. If we elect to pursue a Deficiency Judgment jointly with the Beneficiary, or the Servicer acting on behalf of the Beneficiary, all expenses (including court costs, attorneys' fees and other Advances actually paid by the Servicer or Beneficiary and, except on that portion of any Insurance Benefit paid on an Accelerated Claim, interest exclusive of delinquency charges and penalty rates and not compounded) associated with the preservation and pursuit of a Deficiency Judgment in excess of those expenses associated with the normal and customary foreclosure process in absence of Deficiency Judgment proceedings, and all amounts collected pursuant to a Deficiency Judgment, will be shared pro rata by the Beneficiary and us. Our pro rata share of the recovery and expenses shall be calculated using a quotient, the numerator of which shall be the Insurance Benefit paid, and the denominator of which shall be the Total Loss.
- (c) Pursuit by Beneficiary. If the Beneficiary, or the Servicer acting on behalf of the Beneficiary, elects to pursue a Deficiency Judgment, and we elect not to participate, we will not be subrogated to any of the Beneficiary's rights of recovery against the Borrower or any other Person relating to the Loan or the Property with respect to which we have paid an Insurance Benefit. The Beneficiary, or the Servicer acting on behalf of the Beneficiary, will be responsible for all costs associated with pursuing a Deficiency Judgment. We will reimburse only the interest and expenses associated with the normal and customary foreclosure process in the absence of Deficiency Judgment proceedings and no additional expenses associated with obtaining a Deficiency Judgment.

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(d) **Joint Agreement**. We and a Beneficiary may enter into a separate agreement with respect to the matters covered by this Section 11.3 (Deficiency Judgments).

12 DISCHARGE OF OBLIGATION; LIMITATION OF ACTIONS

12.1 DISCHARGE OF OBLIGATION.

Upon our payment of the Insurance Benefit, including any applicable supplemental Claim amount, to either the Servicer or the Beneficiary, our liability under the Certificate is fully and finally discharged.

12.2 LIMITATION OF ACTIONS

- (a) **Generally**. No arbitration or other proceeding arising from any right of the Insured, Servicer and Beneficiary under the Policy will be entitled to be commenced unless the Insured, Servicer and Beneficiary have complied with all material conditions of the Policy (excepting conditions we expressly waive in accordance with the Policy), and unless commenced within 2 years after such right shall first arise. In the case of rescission, cancellation of coverage, denial of a Claim, or a reduction of the Calculated Loss or the Insurance Benefit, the 2-year period will begin on the date on which we first give notice of such action for the particular Certificate(s) covered by such notice.
- (b) State-Specific Limitations. Notwithstanding the foregoing paragraph (a) of this Section 12.2 (Limitation of Actions), if the principal business address of the Initial Insured, as indicated on the cover page of this Policy, is located in the state indicated below, the following shall apply:

Alaska and Utah: The 2-year period described in paragraph (a) of this Section 12.2 (Limitation of Actions) shall be extended to 3 years.

Arkansas and Kansas: The 2-year period described in paragraph (a) of this Section 12.2 (Limitation of Actions) shall be extended to 5 years.

Michigan: The 2-year period described in paragraph (a) of this Section 12.2 (Limitation of Actions) shall be extended to 6 years.

Missouri: The 2-year period described in paragraph (a) of this Section 12.2 (Limitation of Actions) shall be extended to 10 years.

13 NOTICES

13.1 DELIVERY

All Claims, notices, reports, directions, requests, approvals, documents or other communications required or permitted to be given under the Policy (collectively, "communications") shall be in writing and will be deemed received 5 days after such communication is sent, in the manner and to the location required by this Section

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13.1 (Delivery), unless actually received earlier. Any requirement in this Policy that information or documentation be "submitted" to us will be deemed submitted on the date received by us. All communications to be given by us will be deemed given (i) if delivered to the last known address of the Servicer or Beneficiary, as the case may be, or (ii) if delivered in a legally compliant electronic manner, including e-mail, to the last known e-mail or other electronic address of the Servicer or Beneficiary, as the case may be, or (iii) upon publication on a website of ours that regularly makes such material available to lenders and Servicers. All communications to us will be deemed delivered by delivery to our address specified on the first page of this Policy unless we specify a different address in our Servicing Guide. Unless otherwise required by Applicable Law, all communications required or permitted by this Policy may be given in any manner and format approved for such communications in our Servicing Guide.

13.2 DUPLICATE NOTICE TO GSE BENEFICIARY

Other than as specifically set forth in this Policy, we may fulfill any notice obligation to the Beneficiary by giving such notice to the Servicer; <u>provided however</u>, that, upon the written request of a GSE Beneficiary, we will provide such GSE Beneficiary a copy of any notices given to the Servicer.

14 ENTIRE AGREEMENT; ENDORSEMENT

14.1 ENTIRE AGREEMENT

The Policy constitutes the entire agreement between or among the Insured, Beneficiary and us with respect to the subject matter hereof.

14.2 ENDORSEMENT

Any endorsement we issue to the Initial Insured and applicable to any Certificate issued under this Policy will be deemed to modify the coverage under this Policy with respect to the Loan described in such Certificate to the extent shown in such endorsement.

15 DISPUTE RESOLUTION

15.1 ARBITRATION REQUIRED

All disputes, controversies or claims arising out of or relating to this Policy, or the breach, interpretation or construction thereof, shall be resolved by arbitration in accordance with the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association in effect on the date the demand for arbitration is made. Each of the Company, Insured and Beneficiary irrevocably waives any right to any trial by jury with respect to any dispute, controversy or claim arising out of, or relating to this Policy.

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15.2 COMPOSITION OF ARBITRATION PANEL

For disputes, controversies or claims that exceed \$250,000 in amount, the arbitration panel shall be comprised of 3 arbitrators. For disputes, controversies or claims that are not in excess of \$250,000, the arbitration panel shall be comprised of one arbitrator.

15.3 SELECTION OF ARBITRATORS

The arbitrator(s) shall be a neutral person(s) selected from the American Arbitration Association's National Roster of Arbitrators familiar with the mortgage lending or mortgage guaranty insurance business. Any proposed arbitrator may be disqualified during the selection process, at the option of either party, if the proposed arbitrator is an employee, officer or director of any mortgage guaranty insurer, or of any bank, savings and loan or other entity engaged in the origination, purchase or sale of mortgage loans or mortgage-backed securities. The selection of neutral arbitrators shall be conducted pursuant to the procedures established by the American Arbitration Association, unless modified by the agreement of the parties.

15.4 ARBITRATION PROCEDURE

The arbitration shall be held at the time and place agreed upon by the parties or, in the absence of such agreement and at the option of the Insured or Beneficiary (as applicable), in the capital of the state in which the principal place of business of the Insured or Beneficiary (as applicable) is located or in the city nearest to the principal place of business of the Insured or Beneficiary (as applicable) in which the American Arbitration Association maintains an office. The decision of the arbitrator(s) shall be made in accordance with the terms of this Policy and the law of the jurisdiction specified in Section 18 (Governing Law; Conformity to Statute). Absent any other agreement by the parties, the arbitrator or arbitrators shall issue a standard award.

15.5 FINALITY OF DECISION

The decision of the arbitrator(s) shall be final and binding upon the Insured, the Beneficiary, and us, and judgment upon the award may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof.

15.6 INAPPLICABILITY TO GSE BENEFICIARY

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Policy, unless expressly agreed to in writing by a GSE Beneficiary, neither this Section 15 (Dispute Resolution) nor any other provision of this Policy shall be construed to require any GSE Beneficiary to submit to arbitration hereunder and any decision rendered by an arbitrator relating to this Policy shall have no applicability to or be of any force or effect against any GSE Beneficiary, unless such GSE Beneficiary consented in writing to the arbitration.

16 FILE RETENTION; ACCESS TO INFORMATION

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16.1 FILE RETENTION

With respect to each Loan, the Servicer shall maintain and preserve a complete and accurate Loan File and Servicing File for the latest of (i) 2 years after settlement of the Claim or the date the Loan is no longer insured under this Policy, (ii) the period required by the Servicer's records retention policy, and (iii) the period required by Applicable Law.

16.2 DUTY OF COOPERATION

- (a) Access to Records. Subject to Section 4.3(d) (Effect on Investigation and Documentation Requests), the Beneficiary and Servicer shall cooperate with us and provide us with all reasonable aid, evidence and information that we request from time to time regarding any Loan, regardless of status, including access to or a complete and accurate copy of the Loan File, the Servicing File and such other records, information or documents as we may determine are related to or in connection with Loans insured under this Policy. Such aid, evidence and information shall be provided no later than 30 days after our request for such information. If such aid, evidence and information are not provided within such 30 day period, we will provide a second request therefor, which must be complied with no later than 30 days after such second request. We will pursue any investigations related to a Claim expeditiously and in good faith.
- (b) Access to Premises. Subject to Section 4.3(d) (Effect on Investigation and Documentation Requests), the Beneficiary and Servicer shall cooperate with us and provide us and our representatives, at any time and from time to time upon 30 days' notice, access during normal business hours to the premises of the Servicer or Beneficiary or any other Person or place where Loan Files and/or Servicing Files are located and access to the information prepared or maintained by, or in the possession or under the control of, the Insured, Servicer or Beneficiary and their agents pertaining to audit of Loans insured under this Policy for purposes of conducting audits, complying with our legal and regulatory obligations, and ensuring compliance with the terms and conditions of this Policy. If such access is not provided within such 30 day period, we will provide a second request therefor, which must be complied with no later than 30 days after such second request.

17 AMENDMENT AND WAIVER

17.1 AMENDMENTS

We reserve the right to amend the terms and conditions of this Policy from time to time; <u>provided however</u>, that any such amendment will be effective only with respect to Commitments issued after we have given the Initial Insured notice thereof by endorsement setting forth the amendment.

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17.2 WAIVER; MODIFICATION; SEVERABILITY

No condition or requirement of this Policy will be deemed waived, modified or otherwise compromised by us unless that waiver, modification or compromise is stated in a writing properly executed on our behalf. Each of the conditions and requirements of this Policy is severable, and a waiver, modification or compromise of one will not be construed as a waiver, modification or compromise of any other condition or requirement. No delay or failure on our part to exercise any right, remedy, power or privilege under this Policy will operate as a waiver thereof, and no single or partial exercise of any such right, remedy, power or privilege precludes other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, remedy, power or privilege.

17.3 No Exclusivity

None of our rights or remedies provided for by this Policy will be exclusive of, or limit, any other rights or remedies available under Applicable Law.

18 GOVERNING LAW; CONFORMITY TO STATUTE

All matters arising under or relating to this Policy will be determined exclusively in accordance with the laws of Delaware without regard to any choice of law provisions.

Any provision of this Policy which is in conflict with law that governs this Policy is hereby amended to conform to the minimum requirements of that law, it being the intention of the Initial Insured and us that the specific provisions of this Policy will be controlling whenever possible.

19 INTERPRETATION

When a reference is made in this Policy to a Section, a clause or a paragraph, that reference is to a Section, or a clause or paragraph of this Policy unless otherwise indicated. The table of contents and headings contained in this Policy are for reference purposes only and will not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Policy, including when such headings are set forth as part of cross references. Any reference to the Eligibility Criteria, Servicing Guide or Underwriting Requirements will be to the version in effect at the time specified in this Policy, and if no time is specified, will be to the version in effect at the time when an action is taken by reference to the Eligibility Criteria, Servicing Guide or Underwriting Requirements. Whenever a provision of this Policy requires that approval be requested or given, such request or approval shall be made in any form of written communication and may be requested or given in any manner and format approved for such communication in our Servicing Guide. If this Policy provides for an exception to an Exclusion, by satisfaction of a condition or otherwise, the Insured will be responsible to demonstrate that all circumstances necessary to establish such exception actually exist.

Whenever the words "may" or "in our discretion" are used in reference to an action, decision or right on our part, they will be deemed to refer to such action, decision or right as being taken or made in our sole and absolute discretion, including our entitlement to refrain from such action. Whenever the words "include," "includes" or "including" are used in this Policy,

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they will be deemed to be followed by the words "without limitation," whether or not they are in fact followed by those words or words of like import. The words "hereof", "herein" and "hereunder" and words of like import used in this Policy shall refer to this Policy as a whole and not to any particular provision of this Policy. The words "shall" and "will" as used in this Policy have the same meaning, which is to create an obligation, requirement or rule. Whenever the singular is used herein, the same will include the plural, and whenever the plural is used herein, the same will include the singular, where appropriate. Any reference to "days" means calendar days unless Business Days are specified.

If any action under this Policy is required to be done or taken on a day that is not a Business Day, then such action shall be required to be done or taken not on such day but on the first succeeding Business Day thereafter. References from or through any date mean, unless otherwise specified, from and including or through and including, respectively. References to any statute, rule, standard, regulation or other law will be deemed to include a reference to the corresponding rules and regulations, if any, and each of them as amended, modified, supplemented, consolidated, replaced or rewritten from time to time. References to any section of any statute, rule, standard, regulation or other law will be deemed to include any successor to such section. By obtaining insurance for any Loan under this Policy, the Initial Insured agrees, and by becoming a Beneficiary, any Beneficiary agrees, that no provision of this Policy will be used to seek to establish any proposition about the meaning of any other insurance policy of the Company.

20 ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS AND DISCLOSURES

20.1 LOCATION OF INSURED

The following provisions and disclosures apply when the principal business address of the Initial Insured, as indicated on the cover page of this Policy, is located in the state indicated.

Oklahoma: WARNING: Any person who knowingly, and with the intent to injure, defraud or deceive any insurer, makes any claim for the proceeds of an insurance policy containing any false, incomplete or misleading information is guilty of a felony.

Texas: It is hereby understood and agreed that we may not cancel or refuse to renew this Policy or a Certificate based solely on the fact that the Insured is an elected official.

Georgia: IMPORTANT NOTICE: The laws of the State of Georgia prohibit insurers from unfairly discriminating against any person based upon his or her status as a victim of family violence.

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20.2 No Subrogation Rights

The following provision applies with respect to Loans for which the related Property is located in any of the following jurisdictions: Arizona, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, New York, Ohio, Texas, Virginia or Wisconsin.

If the Property consists of a single-family dwelling occupied by a Borrower, we do not have subrogation rights against any Borrower and no Borrower will be liable to us for any deficiency arising from a foreclosure sale.

