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NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Foreign Branching

AGENCY: National Credit Union Administration (NCUA).

ACTION: Notice and request for comment.

SUMMARY: The National Credit Union Administration (NCUA), as part of a continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on the following extension of a currently approved collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before **[INSERT DATE 60 DAYS FROM DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]** to be assured consideration.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the information collection to Dawn Wolfgang, National Credit Union Administration, 1775 Duke Street, Suite 6032, Alexandria, Virginia 22314; Fax No. 703-519-8579; or email at PRAComments@NCUA.gov. Given the limited in-house staff because of the COVID-19 pandemic, email comments are preferred.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Address requests for additional information to Dawn Wolfgang at the e-mail address above or telephone 703-548-2279.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Number: 3133-0167.

Title: Foreign Branching, 12 CFR 741.11.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: Pursuant section 741.11, an insured credit union that wishes to establish a branch office outside the United States (other than branches located on United States military installations or embassies) must apply for and receive approval from the NCUA regional director before establishing that branch. The application must include (1) a business plan, (2) written approval by the state supervisory agency if the applicant is a state-chartered credit union, and (3) documentation evidencing written permission from the host country to establish the branch that explicitly recognizes NCUA's authority to examine and take any enforcement actions, including conservatorship and liquidation actions.

This information is necessary to evaluate the safety and soundness of the decision to open the branch and to protect the interests of the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund.

Affected Public: Private Sector: Not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated No. of Respondents: 1.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 4.

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 4.

Estimated Hours per Response: 8.25.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 33.

Request for Comments: Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. The public is invited to submit comments concerning: (a) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper execution of the function of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the

methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of the information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

By Gerard Poliquin, Secretary of the Board, the National Credit Union Administration,
on May 8, 2020.

Dated: May 8, 2020.

Dawn D. Wolfgang,

NCUA PRA Clearance Officer.

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