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WASHINGTON - Office of Thrift Supervision Director Ellen Seidman issued the following statement today on the resignation of Donna Tanoue as FDIC chairman:

"Donna Tanoue has provided extraordinary service to the country, the banking industry and the FDIC over the last three years. Starting with her strong leadership in reassuring depositors of the safety of their money over the millennium change, and continuing through the extraordinary work she has led on deposit insurance reform, bringing the need for system changes home to all, she has helped make our financial system stronger and provided greater comfort to depositors.

"Chairman Tanoue has also been an exceptionally strong leader of the FDIC, streamlining the organization, reducing expenditures and focusing effectively on making certain that all FDIC employees have the opportunities and support they deserve. She has also been a wonderful friend and colleague. I--and all of us--will miss her."

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