Proclamation

Because of severe weather conditions along the Gulf Coast, I find that an emergency exists pursuant to 12 USC 95(b)(1), 1463(a)(1)(A), 3102(b), and 12 CFR 7.3000(b), 28.13(a)(1). Accordingly, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency hereby authorizes national banking associations, federal savings associations, and federal branches and agencies of foreign banks at their discretion, to close offices in the areas affected by these conditions for as long as deemed necessary for bank operation or public safety. In addition, bank management is encouraged to consult OCC Bulletin 2012-28, “Supervisory Guidance on Natural Disasters and Other Emergency Conditions” (September 21, 2012). This guidance lists some actions bankers could consider implementing when their bank operates or has customers in areas that are affected by a natural disaster or other emergency condition.

Dated this 12th Day of July 2019

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