

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

WASHINGTON, D.C.

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In the Matter of	)	
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THE MIDDLEFIELD BANKING COMPANY	)	ORDER TO PAY
MIDDLEFIELD, OHIO	)	
	)	FDIC-12-105k
	)	
(State Chartered	)	
Insured Nonmember Bank)	)	
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The Middlefield Banking Company, Middlefield, Ohio ("Respondent") has been advised that a penalty under the Flood Disaster Protection Act ("FDPA") as amended, 42 U.S.C. §4012a(f), and Part 339 of the FDIC Rules and Regulations, 12 C.F.R. Part 339, may be issued only after notice detailing the violations and an opportunity for a hearing on the record. Having waived those rights, the Respondent and a representative of the Legal Division of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") executed a STIPULATION AND CONSENT TO THE ISSUANCE OF AN ORDER TO PAY ("STIPULATION") dated June 25, 2012, whereby Respondent, solely for the purpose of this proceeding and without admitting or denying any violation of law for which civil money penalties may be assessed, consented and agreed

to pay a civil money penalty in the amount specified below to the Treasury of the United States.

The FDIC has reason to believe that the Respondent has violated the FDPA and Part 339. Specifically, on loans secured by property located in a flood hazard area in which flood insurance has been made available under the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 the Respondent violated:

- section 339.3(a) of the FDIC Rules and Regulations, 12 C.F.R. § 339.3(a), by failing to obtain flood insurance on a building securing a designated loan at the time of the origination of four (4) loans;
- section 339.3(a) of the FDIC Rules and Regulations, 12 C.F.R. § 339.3(a), by failing to obtain adequate flood insurance at the time of the origination of three (3) loans;
- section 339.3(a) of the FDIC Rules and Regulations, 12 C.F.R. § 339.3(a), by failing to maintain flood insurance for one (1) loan;
- section 339.7 of the FDIC Rules and Regulations, 12 C.F.R. § 339.7, by failing to follow force placement flood insurance procedures for one (1) loan;

- section 339.9(a) of the FDIC Rules and Regulations, 12 C.F.R. § 339.9(a), by failing to provide to borrowers a Notice of Special Flood Hazard and Availability of Federal Disaster Relief Assistance when making, increasing, extending or renewing a loan on three (3) occasions; and
- section 339.9(c) of the FDIC Rules and Regulations, 12 C.F.R. § 339.9(c), by failing to provide to borrowers a Notice of Special Flood Hazard and Availability of Federal Disaster Relief Assistance within a reasonable time before the completion of the transaction on two (2) loans.

After taking into account the STIPULATION, the appropriateness of the penalty with respect to the financial resources and good faith of the Respondent, the gravity of the violations by the Respondent, the history of previous violations by the Respondent, and such other matters as justice may require, the FDIC accepts the STIPULATION and issues the following:

ORDER TO PAY

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a civil money penalty of \$3,250 be, and hereby is, assessed against Respondent

pursuant to the FDPA, 42 U.S.C. § 4012a, section 8(i)(2) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, 12 U.S.C. § 1818(i)(2) and Parts 308 and 339 of the FDIC Rules and Regulations, 12 C.F.R. Parts 308 and 339. The Respondent shall pay the civil money penalty to the Treasury of the United States.

This ORDER TO PAY shall be effective upon issuance.

Pursuant to delegated authority.

Dated at Chicago, Illinois, this 29<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2012.

/s/  
M. Anthony Lowe  
Regional Director  
Chicago Regional Office