

Freddie Mac Prices Fourth STACR SPI Deal of 2018 - UPDATE

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This year's final STACR SPI deal is its largest at \$275 million

MCLEAN, Va., Dec. 13, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Freddie Mac (OTCQB: FMCC) further reduced its credit risk and enhanced the stability of the U.S. housing market with its fifth and largest Structured Agency Credit Risk (STACR®) - Securitized Participation Interests (STACR SPISM) deal to date.

"In a challenging environment, our final on-the-run STACR SPI transaction drew 17 unique investors," said Mike Reynolds, vice president of credit risk transfer at Freddie Mac. "We will work to build on that strong interest beginning with our upcoming 2019 deals, as we introduce STACR DNA and HQA in a REMIC structure."

The \$275 million STACR 2018-SPI4 securities are backed by participation interests in 30-year fixed-rate non-HARP mortgage loans with an aggregate principal balance of approximately \$6.9 billion and will include retention of the credit risk on loans subsequently refinanced under Freddie Mac's Enhanced Relief Refinance Program (ERR). Three classes of STACR SPI 2018-4 certificates (M1, M2 and B) were sold. Freddie Mac will retain a 5 percent interest in each of the three classes, maintaining alignment of interests with credit investors.

Pricing for STACR Series 2018-SPI4:

M-1 class: EDSF plus a spread of 160 bps
M-2 class: Swaps plus a spread of 350 bps

B class: \$47.50.

Bank of America Merrill Lynch and Barclays Capital, Inc. are co-lead managers and joint bookrunners.

Freddie Mac has led the market in introducing new credit risk-sharing offerings. Since 2013, the company has transferred a portion of credit risk on more than \$1 trillion in unpaid principal balance (UPB) on single-family mortgages. It has also grown its investor base to more than 230 unique investors, including insurers and reinsurers. Freddie Mac has a <u>STACR issuance calendar</u> to help investors plan their allocations.

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