

Freddie Mac Prices First Whole Loan Securities of the Year

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\$640 Million Senior/Sub Credit Risk Transfer Offering Largest to Date

MCLEAN, VA--(Marketwired - Mar 13, 2017) - <u>Freddie Mac</u> (OTCQB: FMCC) announced the pricing of its fifth <u>Freddie Mac Whole Loan</u> <u>Securities(SM) (WLS(SM))</u> transaction, an offering of approximately \$640 million of guaranteed senior and non-guaranteed subordinate actual loss securities.

By shifting some of its credit risk from the underlying super-conforming mortgages to subordinate investors, WLS is another important offering in Freddie Mac's single-family credit risk transfer program. WLS preserves many of the features found in Freddie Mac Gold PCs while leveraging the characteristics of traditional private label securities. To date, the company has issued approximately \$2.4 billion in WLS.

"We are pleased with the interest in our first WLS transaction of 2017, the largest WLS deal to date," said Mike Reynolds, vice president of Freddie Mac Credit Risk Transfer. "Our work to educate investors about this asset class is ongoing and we look forward to continued strong investor interest in WLS."

Freddie Mac Whole Loan Securities Trust, Series 2017-SC01, a Freddie Mac trust, will issue approximately \$602 million in guaranteed senior certificates and approximately \$38 million in unguaranteed subordinate certificates. The collateral backing the certificates are 1,227 fixed-rate super-conforming loans.

Barclays Capital Inc. and BofA Merrill Lynch are co-lead managers and joint bookrunners. WLS 2017-SC01 is expected to settle later this month.

Freddie Mac has led the market in introducing new credit risk-sharing offerings with STACR, Agency Credit Insurance Structure (ACIS[®]) and Whole Loan Securities (WLS(SM)). The company has since grown its investor base to more than 200 unique investors, including insurers and reinsurers. Since 2013, the company has transferred a significant portion of credit risk on approximately \$666 billion of UPB on single-family mortgages.

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