

Freddie Mac Enhances Disclosures and Announces Intent to Sell \$475 Million in Second STACR Offering This Year

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MCLEAN, VA--(Marketwired - Feb 29, 2016) - Freddie Mac (OTCQB: FMCC) today further expanded its leading Single-Family Credit Risk Transfer initiatives by enhancing disclosures and announcing its intent to sell its next offering of Structured Agency Credit Risk (STACR®) debt notes, STACR 2016-HQA1, pending market conditions. This is the company's second STACR offering this year. Through the award-winning and innovative STACR program, Freddie Mac transfers a portion of its credit risk on certain single-family loans to private capital market investors.

The enhanced disclosures for all Single-Family Credit Risk Transfer initiatives will include:

- Updated credit scores for outstanding loans in all transactions provided quarterly.
- Updated mark-to-market LTVs that leverage the estimated property value from Freddie Mac's proprietary Home Value Explorer® Automated Valuation Model tool provided quarterly.
- Loan-level mortgage insurance details, identifying lender-paid versus borrower-paid mortgage insurance.
- Additional details for loan modifications, such as modification program, type and step-rate information.

"By providing more ongoing information, investors can better analyze our seasoned Credit Risk Transfer securities," said Kevin Palmer, senior vice president of Freddie Mac Credit Risk Transfer. "Improved analytics reduces the uncertainty for internal valuation and secondary trading activities."

STACR 2016-HQA1

With the \$475 million STACR 2016-HQA1 offering of loans with LTVs ranging from 80 to 95 percent, Freddie Mac holds the senior loss risk in the capital structure and a portion of the risk in the Class M-1, M-2 and M-3 tranches, and the first loss Class B tranche.

Barclays and Wells Fargo Securities will serve as co-lead managers and joint bookrunners. Cantor Fitzgerald, Deutsche Bank Securities, J.P. Morgan and Nomura are co-managers. Ramirez and Co., Inc. is the selling group member.

STACR 2016-HQA1 has a reference pool of single-family mortgages with an unpaid principal balance of more than \$17.5 billion. The reference pool consists of a subset of 30-year fixed-rate single-family mortgages acquired by Freddie Mac between April 1, 2015 and June 30, 2015.

Freddie Mac has a STACR issuance calendar to help investors plan their allocations. The calendar is available on the <u>Credit Risk Offerings</u> page of the company's web site at <u>www.FreddieMac.com</u>.

This announcement is not an offer to sell any Freddie Mac securities. Offers for any given security are made only through applicable offering circulars and related supplements, which incorporate Freddie Mac's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on February 18, 2016; all other reports Freddie Mac filed with the SEC pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Exchange Act) since December 31, 2015, excluding any information furnished to the SEC on Form 8-K; and all documents that Freddie Mac files with the SEC pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c) or 14 of the Exchange Act, excluding any information furnished to the SEC on Form 8-K.

Freddie Mac's press releases sometimes contain forward-looking statements. A description of factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from the expectations expressed in these and other forward-looking statements can be found in the company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015, and its reports on Form 10-Q and Form 8-K, filed with the SEC and available on the Investor Relations page of the company's Web site at www.FreddieMac.com/investors and the SEC's Web site at www.erc.gov.

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