

## Freddie Mac Prices Final STACR Offering of the Year, Releases 2016 STACR Issuance Calendar

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MCLEAN, VA--(Marketwired - Dec 2, 2015) - <u>Freddie Mac</u> (OTCQB: FMCC) today priced its eighth and final Structured Agency Credit Risk (<u>STACR®</u>) transaction this year, and released a 2016 STACR issuance calendar. The calendar is available on the <u>Credit Risk Offerings</u> page of the company's web site at <u>www.FreddieMac.com</u>.

"The issuance calendar is the next step in our efforts to be clear and transparent in our credit risk transfer offerings," said Freddie Mac Vice President of Credit Risk Transfer Mike Reynolds. "The STACR program has grown from two issuances in its first year to eight this year. We expect to have eight STACR transactions in 2016, and the calendar is intended to help investors plan their allocations."

Freddie Mac is successfully bringing private investors back to the Single-Family market and reducing the company's credit risk exposure through its market-leading credit risk transfer initiatives.

Freddie Mac has led the market in introducing new risk-sharing initiatives with 17 STACR offerings (including STACR Series 2015-HQA2), two Whole Loan Security(SM) (WLS(SM)) offerings and 12 Agency Credit Insurance Structure (ACIS<sup>®</sup>) transactions since mid-2013. Through STACR, WLS and ACIS, Freddie Mac has transferred a substantial portion of credit risk on more than \$385 billion of UPB in Single-Family mortgages. Freddie Mac was the first agency to market credit risk transfer transactions with STACR, WLS and ACIS, and the company has since grown its investor base to approximately 190 unique investors, including reinsurers.

## Pricing for STACR Series 2015-HQA2:

- M-1 class was one-month LIBOR plus a spread of 115 basis points.
- M-2 class was one-month LIBOR plus a spread of 280 basis points.
- M-3 class was one-month LIBOR plus a spread of 480 basis points.
- B class was one-month LIBOR plus a spread of 1050 basis points.

The \$590 million STACR Series 2015-HQA2 has a reference pool of Single-Family mortgages with an unpaid principal balance of more than \$17 billion. The reference pool consists of a subset of 30-year fixed-rate Single-Family mortgages acquired by Freddie Mac between December 1, 2014, and March 31, 2015, with LTVs from 80 to 95 percent.

Freddie Mac holds the senior loss risk in the capital structure and a portion of the risk in each of the Class M-1, Class M-2, Class M-3 and the first loss Class B tranches.

Citigroup and Barclays are co-lead managers and joint bookrunners. BNP Paribas, BofA Merrill Lynch, Cantor Fitzgerald and Nomura are co-managers, and Loop Capital is a selling group member.

Freddie Mac retains sole discretion over whether or not the STACR issuances come to market and the timing thereof, which may be impacted by market conditions. The information contained in the 2016 STACR issuance calendar does not guarantee the timing of any future Freddie Mac offerings or the amount of such offerings. The calendar may be amended, superseded or replaced. The STACR issuance calendar is provided for informational purposes only.

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