TO: NCUA Board

FROM: Director Gail W. Laster
      Office of Consumer Protection

SUBJ: San Francisco Federal Credit Union’s Application to Expand its Community Charter

ACTION REQUESTED: Approve application to expand San Francisco Federal Credit Union’s (SFFCU) community charter in San Francisco, California, under Section 109 of the Federal Credit Union Act, and Appendix B to Part 701 of the NCUA Rules and Regulations.

DATE ACTION REQUESTED: July 25, 2013.

OTHER OFFICES CONSULTED: Region 2 and Office of Examination and Insurance.

VIEWS OF OTHER OFFICES CONSULTED: Region 2 and the Office of Examination and Insurance concur.

BUDGET IMPACT, IF ANY: None.

RESPONSIBLE STAFF MEMBERS: Director Gail W. Laster, Office of Consumer Protection; Director Robert C. Leonard, Division of Consumer Access; and, Consumer Access Analyst Rick Mumm.

SUMMARY: The state of California chartered the credit union in 1954 to serve city of San Francisco employees. In 1995, the credit union converted to a federal charter as a multiple common bond. The credit union continued to add groups to its field of membership until it converted to a community charter in 2000 to serve the consolidated city and county of San Francisco.

SFFCU proposes to serve persons who live, work, worship or attend school in, and businesses and other legal entities in the portion of the San Francisco-San Mateo-Redwood City, California Metropolitan Division that includes San Francisco and San Mateo Counties, California.

The counties have a combined population in excess of 1,000,000; therefore, National Credit Union Administration Board approval is required.

As of March 31, 2013, SFFCU reported assets of $832 million and 31,255 members.

SFFCU’s application meets NCUA requirements to expand its community charter. As required by IRPS 10-1, the San Francisco-San Mateo-Redwood City, California MSA meets NCUA’s
definition of a well-defined local community because it is a Core Based Statistical Area with a population of 2.5 million or less.

Additionally, SFFCU’s business and marketing plan demonstrates management’s ability to serve residents throughout the area. The plan is comprehensive and encompasses NCUA guidance provided in Letter to Credit Unions 11-FCU-03 regarding business plans for credit unions seeking or expanding a community charter. It demonstrates SFFCU has the facilities, staff, and infrastructure to serve residents throughout the area, based on technical capacity and an understanding of its demographics.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approve the application to expand the community charter for San Francisco Federal Credit Union.

Attachments