OCC Issues First Quarter 1998 CRA Examination Schedule

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- The Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) today released its projected schedule of Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) examinations to be conducted in the first quarter of 1998.

The OCC encourages public comment on the national banks scheduled to be examined under the CRA, and suggests that comments be submitted to the institutions themselves or to the appropriate OCC district office prior to (or as early as possible during) the month in which the exam is scheduled. All public comments received prior to the close of the CRA exam will be considered by the OCC.

The OCC's CRA exam schedule is posted on the Internet at http://www.occ.treas.gov.

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