

Washington, DC 20219

## Proclamation

Because of the serious conditions resulting from severe storms and flooding in Louisiana, I find that an emergency exists pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 95 (b)(1). Accordingly, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency hereby authorizes national banking associations and federal savings associations, at their discretion, to close offices in the areas affected by these conditions. In addition, bank management teams are encouraged to consult OCC Bulletin 2012-28, *Supervisory Guidance on Natural Disasters and Other Emergency Conditions*. This guidance lists some actions bankers could consider implementing when their bank operates or has customers in areas that are affected by a disaster.

Dated this <u>16<sup>th</sup></u> Day of August 2016.

//signed// Toney Bland Senior Deputy Comptroller Midsize and Community Bank Supervision