

United States House of Representatives  
Committee on Financial Services  
Washington, D.C. 20515

October 1, 2004

The Honorable Armando Falcon  
Director  
Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight  
1700 G Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20552

Dear Director Falcon:

Pursuant to its authority and responsibility under rules X and XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises is continuing its oversight of Fannie Mae. Specifically, the Subcommittee will be holding a hearing on October 6, 2004 entitled "The OFHEO Report: Allegations of Accounting and Management Failure at Fannie Mae." I am writing to request your assistance in obtaining certain records I believe will be useful in the Subcommittee's inquiry.

Specifically, I am requesting that you provide copies of all records related to the actions of Tim Howard and Roger Barnes and any other documents which relate to the key findings of the OFHEO report on Fannie Mae. Additionally, I am requesting that you provide any other documents which you believe will be useful to the Subcommittee as it conducts its oversight.

I would appreciate it if you could return the records covered by this request to the offices of the Committee on Financial Services in room 2129 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515, not later than 5 p.m. on Friday October 1, 2004. For purposes of this request, the terms "records" and "relating" should be construed as described in the attachment to this letter.

Should you have any further questions, please contact Mr. Kevin MacMillan of the Committee staff at 202-225-7502.

Sincerely,



Richard H. Baker  
Chairman  
Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance,  
and Government Sponsored Enterprises

Attachment

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1. The term "records" is to be construed in the broadest sense and shall mean any written or graphic material, however produced or reproduced, of any kind or description, consisting of the original and any non-identical copy (whether different from the original because of notes made on or attached to such copy or otherwise) and drafts and both sides thereof, whether printed or recorded electronically or magnetically or stored in any type of data bank, including, but not limited to, the following: correspondence, memoranda, records, summaries of personal conversations or interviews, minutes or records of meetings or conferences, opinions or reports of consultants, projections, statistical statements, drafts, contracts, agreements, purchase orders, invoices, confirmations, telegraphs, telexes, agendas, books, notes, pamphlets, periodicals, reports, studies, evaluations, opinions, logs, diaries, desk calendars, appointment books, tape recordings, video recordings, e-mails, voice mails, computer tapes, or other computer stored matter, magnetic tapes, microfilm, microfiche, punch cards, all other records kept by electronic, photographic, or mechanical means, charts, photographs, notebooks, drawings, plans, inter-office communications, intra-office and intra-departmental communications, transcripts, checks and canceled checks, bank statements, ledgers, books, records or statements of accounts, and papers and things similar to any of the foregoing, however denominated.
2. The terms "relating" or "relate" as to any given subject means anything that constitutes, contains, embodies, identifies, deals with, or is in any manner whatsoever pertinent to that subject, including but not limited to records concerning the preparation of other records.