

property will be included with a current appraisal of the FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103–354 security and security equity position. The appraisal will be completed in accordance with §761.7 of this title. Recommendations of the County Committee, County Supervisor, and District Director will be included on the following:)

(i) Reasons why continuation of the loan would be in the best interest of the Government.

(ii) The effect continuation of the account will have on the FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103–354 program in the area.

(iii) Comments and opinion on adequacy of security and ability of transferor to pay the FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103–354 debt.

(2) The State Director will review all information submitted and request additional information needed to reach a decision. This includes advice of OGC. After deciding, the State Director will either:

(i) Return the file to the County Supervisor with instructions to proceed with liquidation of the account in accordance with §1965.26(b) of this subpart and state reasons for the decision; or

(ii) Return the file to the County Supervisor stating reasons for the decision and giving consent to continue the account as an NP loan with instructions for obtaining liability of the transferee, maintaining security position and future servicing. If FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103–354 is adequately secured and the entire FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103–354 debt will be paid in 5 years or less from date of the transfer, the borrower-transferor can be released of liability under paragraph (f) of this section and the account serviced in the name of the transferee. If the entire FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103–354 debt will not be paid within 5 years from date of the transfer, the borrower will not be released of liability, the account will continue to be serviced in the borrower's name and the borrower will remain liable for the debt under the terms of the security instruments. Advice of OGC will be obtained as needed

to determine the borrower's continued liability and adequacy of security.

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§§ 1965.28–1965.30 [Reserved]

**§ 1965.31 Taking liens or real estate as additional security in servicing FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103–354 loans.**

Additional liens will not be taken for other loans on marginal land used for the production of softwood timber if the land is presently securing an ST loan.

(a) *Liens.* When taking real estate as additional security, the best lien obtainable will be taken on any real estate owned by the borrower, including any real estate which already serves as security for another loan. Normally, the prior concurrence of the District Director will be obtained. Liens will be taken only when:

(1) Present security for the loan is not adequate to protect the interests of the FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103–354, and

(2) The borrower is delinquent, has substantial equity in the real estate to be mortgaged and it is determined that the taking of the mortgage will not prevent the making of an FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103–354 real estate loan, which might be needed in the foreseeable future.

(b) *Real estate.* Before taking real estate as additional security for an FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103–354 loan the following items will be documented in the running record:

(1) the facts which justify taking the real estate lien;

(2) A conservative estimate of the present market value of the real estate to be mortgaged. (It will not be necessary to submit an appraisal of the property to be mortgaged.);

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(3) A brief description of any existing liens on the property, and the repayment terms and the unpaid balance on the debts secured by existing liens, unless this is accurately reflected on a recent financial statement; and

(4) The name of the title holder and how title of the property is held. (Title evidence need not be required.)

(c) *Forms.* Each real estate lien taken as additional security for the FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 loans will be taken on Form FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 1927-1 (state), "Real Estate Mortgage or Deed of Trust for (Insured Loans to Individuals)" unless a State supplement requires the use of a form of mortgage comparable to that which secures the existing loan(s) to be additionally secured. The notes evidencing the FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 loans for which the additional security will be taken will be described in the same mortgage.

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**§ 1965.32 [Reserved]**

**§ 1965.33 Cosigners—SFH loans.**

See § 1965.129 of subpart C of this part for servicing SFH loans with cosigners.

**§ 1965.34 [Reserved]**

**§ 1965.35 Exception authority.**

The Administrator or delegate may, in individual cases, make an exception to any requirement or provision of this subpart or address any omission of this subpart which is not inconsistent with the authorizing statute or other applicable law if the Administrator determines that the Government's interest would be adversely affected or the immediate health and/or safety of tenants

or the community are endangered if there is no adverse effect on the Government's interest. The Administrator will exercise this authority upon the request of the State Director with recommendation of the appropriate program Assistant Administrator; or upon request initiated by the appropriate program Assistant Administrator. Requests for exceptions must be made in writing and supported with documentation to explain the adverse effect, propose alternative courses of action, and show how the adverse effect will be eliminated or minimized if the exception is granted.

**§ 1965.36 State Supplements and reference to the OGC.**

State Supplements will be prepared, with the advice of the OGC, as necessary to carry out this subpart and forwarded to the National Office for prior or post approval.

**§ 1965.37 Redelegation of authority.**

The State Director is authorized to redelegate in writing any authority delegated to the State Director in this subpart to one or more of the following State Office employees: Chief, Farmer Programs; Farmer Programs Specialist.

**§§ 1965.38–1965.49 [Reserved]**

**§ 1965.50 OMB control number.**

The collection of information requirements in this regulation have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget and have been assigned OMB control number 0575-0086.

**EXHIBITS TO SUBPART A**

NOTE: The exhibits referenced in this subpart are available in any FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 office.