



Announcements

FHLB Des Moines Reduces Activity Based Stock Requirements on Letters of Credit

FHLB Des Moines Capital Plan requires members to purchase and maintain Activity Based Stock in an amount equal to its Activity Based Stock Requirement, as determined by the Bank's Board of Directors, as long as the advance or other transaction is recorded and remains on the Bank's books (Section 2.5). For Standby Letters of Credit, the Activity Based Stock Requirement is currently .15% and can vary between 0.0% to 0.175% as stated in Appendix I of the Capital Plan.

Effective November 18, 2008, the Activity Based Stock Requirement for Standby Letters of Credit will be reduced to 0.0%. This change will apply to all Letters of Credit currently outstanding and new Letter of Credit requests going forward; however, the Board retains the right to change the Activity Based Stock Requirement on Letters of Credit in the future.

As a result of this change in the Activity Based Stock Requirement for Letters of Credit, members owning activity stock for Letters of Credit currently outstanding will have excess activity stock. As it is the practice of the Bank to repurchase excess activity stock on a monthly basis on or about the 19th of each month (subject to an operational threshold of \$50,000), the excess activity stock resulting from this change will be automatically included in the next monthly repurchase scheduled for November 19, 2008.

On November 18, 2008, you can go to eAdvantage, our secure members' only website, and click on Capital Stock to find out if you have excess activity stock as a result of this change. A Summary of Capital Stock will be displayed noting the amount of activity stock available for repurchase, if any.

Please contact our Capital Stock area at capitalstock@fhlbdm.com or at 800.544.3452, ext. 1424 if you have any questions.