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Office of the Comptroller of the Currency
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BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM
Docket No. OP- 1743

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION
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BUREAU OF CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION
Docket No. CFPB-2021-0004

NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION
Docket No. NCUA-2021-0023

Request for Information and Comment on Financial Institutions’ Use of Artificial Intelligence, including Machine Learning

AGENCY: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Board), Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection (Bureau), Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), National Credit Union Administration (NCUA), and Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC).

ACTION: Request for information and comment; Extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: On March 31, 2021, the Board, Bureau, FDIC, NCUA, and OCC (together, the agencies) published in the *Federal Register* a document entitled “Request for Information and Comment on Financial Institutions’ Use of Artificial Intelligence, including Machine Learning” (RFI) and invited comments on financial institutions’ use of artificial intelligence (AI), including machine learning (ML). In response to concerns raised by commenters that the current comment deadline may not provide sufficient time to analyze and respond to the RFI due to the complex technical nature and significance of the topic, the agencies have determined that an extension of the comment period until July 1, 2021, is appropriate.

DATES: The end of the comment period for the document entitled “Request for Information and Comment on Financial Institutions’ Use of Artificial Intelligence, including Machine Learning,” published on March 31, 2020 (86 FR 16837), is extended from June 1, 2021, until July 1, 2021.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the methods identified in the RFI.¹ Please submit your comments using only one method.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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¹ See 86 FR 16837-38 (March 31, 2021).

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On March 31, 2021, the agencies published in the *Federal Register*² a document inviting comments on financial institutions’ use of artificial intelligence (AI), including machine learning (ML). The request for information (RFI) was issued to obtain respondents’ views on financial institutions’ use of AI in their provision of services to customers and for other business or operational purposes;

² Request for Information and Comment on Financial Institutions’ Use of Artificial Intelligence, including Machine Learning. 86 FR 16837-38 (March 31, 2021)

appropriate governance, risk management, and controls over AI; and any challenges in developing, adopting, and managing AI. The RFI also solicited respondents' views on the use of AI in financial services to assist in determining whether any clarifications from the agencies would be helpful for financial institutions' use of AI in a safe and sound manner and in compliance with applicable laws and regulations, including those related to consumer protection. The document stated that the comment period would close on June 1, 2021. The agencies have received requests to extend the comment period. An extension of the comment period will provide additional opportunity for the public to analyze the RFI and prepare comments to address the questions posed by the agencies. Therefore, the agencies are extending the end of the comment period for the RFI from June 1, 2021 until July 1, 2021.

Bureau: The Acting Director of the Bureau, David Uejio, having reviewed and approved this document, is delegating the authority to electronically sign this document to Grace Feola, a Bureau Federal Register Liaison, for purposes of publication in the *Federal Register*.

Michael J. Hsu
Acting Comptroller of the Currency.

By order of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

Ann Misback,
Secretary of the Board.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.
Dated at Washington, DC, on May 13, 2021.
James P. Sheesley,
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Melane Conyers-Ausbrooks,

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