- 1 Department of Commerce
- 2 Financial Examinations Division

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4 Adopted Rules Relating to the Operation of Commercial Banks

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- 6 Rules as Adopted
- 7 2675.0200 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.
- 8 Signed, current financial statements of the borrowers,
- 9 endorsers, or guarantors are required on loans which the
- 10 commissioner or an examiner determines to be inadequately
- ll secured. Financial statements are considered current when
- 12 renewed at least annually.
- 13 2675.0300 DELINQUENT LOANS.
 - 14 Subpart 1. When delinquent. For the purposes of the
 - 15 report of examination of banks, loans, leases, and unplanned
 - 16 overdrafts are considered delinquent and are separated into two
 - 17 distinct groupings as follows:
 - 18 A. "A" paper consists of all loans and leases which
 - 19 are six months past their maturity, or on which interest or
 - 20 principal is due and unpaid for six months or more, including
 - 21 unplanned overdrafts.
 - B. "B" paper consists of all other loans and leases
 - 23 which are 30 days, but less than six months past their maturity,
 - 24 or on which interest or principal is due and unpaid for a period
 - 25 of 30 days, but less than six months including unplanned
 - 26 overdrafts. An installment loan will not be considered overdue
 - 27 until at least two monthly payments are due. The same will
 - 28 apply to real estate mortgage loans, term loans, or any other
 - 29 loans payable on regular monthly installments of principal
 - 30 and/or interest.
 - 31 Subp. 2. Examples of "A" paper and "B" paper. The
 - 32 following examples will illustrate the applications to "A" paper
 - 33 and "B" paper:
 - A. Single payment notes: Note dated January 2, 1984,
 - 35 due July 2, 1984, with interest to be paid at maturity.

- l unpaid, the note becomes "B" paper at close of business August
- 2 2, 1984, and "A" paper at close of business January 2, 1985.
- B. Demand notes: Note dated January 2, 1984, written
- 4 "due on demand." Interest will be considered to be due every
- 5 six months, if not otherwise indicated in the body of the note.
- 6 If interest is unpaid, this note becomes "B" paper at the close
- 7 of business August 2, 1984, and "A" paper at the close of
- 8 business January 2, 1985.
- 9 C. Installment notes: Note dated January 2, 1984, to
- 10 be paid in monthly installments beginning February 2, 1984.
- 11 Allowing one month grace, if the installment due on February 2,
- 12 1984, is unpaid, the balance of this note will become "B" paper
- 13 at the close of business March 2, 1984, and "A" paper at the
- 14 close of business on August 2, 1984.
- Subp. 3. Apportionment. The overdue figure shall include
- 16 the total dollar balance of the lease or loan that is not
- 17 current.
- For examination purposes, past due loans that are in a
- 19 nonaccrual status or that are renegotiated troubled debt are to
- 20 be apportioned to "A" paper or "B" paper as appropriate.
- 21 2675.0901 REAL ESTATE LOANS-DOCUMENTATION.
- 22 Each real estate secured loan file shall include the
- 23 following documentation and evidence where the loan is in an
- 24 amount over \$7,500 or not otherwise exempt from the definition
- 25 of real estate in Minnesota Statutes, section 48.19, subdivision
- 26 4:
- A. An attorney's opinion, or a title insurance
- 28 policy, or, in the case of Torrens title property, the
- 29 mortgagee's a duplicate certificate of title with memorial of
- 30 the bank's mortgage thereon is required on all real estate loans
- 31 which shall describe the status of fee title, the validity of
- 32 the bank's lien, and the position of the lien.
- B. Evidence of adequate insurance coverage with loss
- 34 payable clause payable to the bank shall be required for
- 35 mortgages on improved property.
- 36 Written binders of insurance are acceptable evidence of

- l insurance. No bank shall refuse to accept a binder tendered at
- 2 the time of closing as evidence of any insurance coverage
- 3 required as a condition of a loan agreement if the binder
- 4 conforms with usual and customary conditions as to designation
- 5 of loss payee and mortgagor.
- 6 C. Real estate appraisal reports are required for
- 7 each mortgage. The appraisal and the reasonableness of its
- 8 accuracy is the responsibility of the appraisal committee. The
- 9 appraisal report and its acceptance by the appraisal committee
- 10 shall be made part of the mortgage file.
- 11 2675.1100 BOND INVESTMENT RECORDS.
- During the period in which such investment is carried on a
- 13 bank's books, it shall be required that original invoices of
- 14 bond purchases and sales be retained as a part of the records of
- 15 a bank; a record be maintained of all securities bought and sold
- 16 showing date of purchase or sale, interest rate, maturity, par
- 17 value, description, from whom purchased, to whom sold, selling
- 18 price, and where pledged or deposited for safekeeping; all
- 19 municipal and corporation bonds owned by a bank be supported by
- 20 full credit information at the time of purchase; and every sale
- 21 and every purchase will be considered a separate transaction and
- 22 trades, switches and securities received under debt
- 23 readjustment, as well as new purchases, must meet the
- 24 requirements of these parts.
- 25 2675.1110 ELIGIBLE SECURITIES.
- 26 An obligation of indebtedness which may be purchased for
- 27 its own account by a state bank, in order to come within the
- 28 classification of eligible securities within the meaning of this
- 29 part, must be a marketable obligation. It must be salable under
- 30 ordinary circumstances with reasonable promptness at a fair
- 31 value; and with respect to the particular security, there must
- 32 be present one or more of the following characteristics:
- 33 A. a public distribution of the securities must have
- 34 been provided for or made in a manner to protect or insure the
- 35 marketability of the issue; or

- B. other existing securities of the obligor must have
- 2 such a public distribution as to protect or insure the
- 3 marketability of the issue under consideration; or
- 4 C. in the case of eligible securities for which a
- 5 public distribution as set forth in item A or B cannot be so
- 6 provided, or so made, and which are issued by established
- 7 commercial or industrial businesses or enterprises, that can
- 8 demonstrate the ability to service such securities, the debt
- 9 evidenced thereby must mature not later than 20 years after the
- 10 date of issuance of the security and must be of such sound value
- ll or so secured as reasonably to assure its payments.
- 12 2675.1130 INVESTMENT QUALITIES.
- Securities, in order to be eligible for purchase by state
- 14 banks, must be in the form of bonds, notes, and/or debentures,
- 15 and must be of recognized investment quality. Eligible
- 16 securities are those which are included among the four highest
- 17 ratings of the rating services, and nonrated securities of
- 18 equivalent value. With regard to the ratings, the following
- 19 items shall apply:
- A. to C. [Unchanged.]
- 21 2675.1140 HOLDING BONDS ON PAR OR FACE VALUE.
- The statutory limitation on the amount of the eligible
- 23 securities of any one obligor or maker which may be held by the
- 24 bank, not otherwise exempted by Minnesota Statutes, section
- 25 48.24, subdivision 6, is to be determined on the basis of the
- 26 par or face value of the securities, and not on their book value.
- 27 2675.1150 PURCHASE OF ASSET AT A PREMIUM OR DISCOUNT.
- When assets are purchased at a premium or discount, a bank:
- 29 A. shall charge off the premium when the asset is
- 30 placed on the books; or, provide for the regular amortization of
- 31 the premium pursuant to generally accepted accounting
- 32 principles; and
- 33 B. may provide for the regular accretion of the
- 34 discount pursuant to generally accepted accounting principles.

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- 1 2675.1180 FOREIGN BORROWERS SECURITIES.
- 2 Purchase of securities of foreign borrowers, whether
- 3 private, corporate, or governmental, is prohibited with the
- 4 exception of:
- 5 A. [Unchanged.]
- 6 B. bonds of the International Bank for Reconstruction
- 7 and Development, which are payable in dollars of the United
- 8 States; provided, however, that the total par value of such
- 9 bonds held by any bank or trust company shall never exceed 20
- 10 percent of its capital and of its actual surplus fund; provided
- ll further, that this part is intended to permit limited purchase
- 12 of the bonds of the International Bank for Reconstruction and
- 13 Development only by banks, trust companies, and savings banks;
- 14 C. bonds of the Inter-American Development Bank,
- 15 which are payable in dollars of the United States; provided,
- 16 however, that the total par value of such bonds held by any bank
- 17 or trust company shall never exceed 20 percent of its capital
- 18 and of its actual surplus fund; provided further, that this part
- 19 is intended to permit limited purchase of the bonds of the
- 20 Inter-American Development Bank only by banks, trust companies,
- 21 and savings banks;
- D. bonds of the Asian Development Bank, which are
- 23 payable in dollars of the United States; provided, however, that
- 24 the total par value of such bonds held by any bank or trust
- 25 company shall never exceed 20 percent of its capital and of its
- 26 actual surplus fund; provided further, that this part is
- 27 intended to permit limited purchase of the bonds of the Asian
- 28 Development Bank only by banks, trust companies, and savings
- 29 banks; and
- 30 E. bonds of the African Development Bank, which are
- 31 payable in dollars of the United States; provided however, that
- 32 the total par value of such bonds held by any bank or trust
- 33 company shall never exceed 20 percent of its capital and of its
- 34 actual surplus fund; provided further, that this part is
- 35 intended to permit limited purchase of the bonds of the African
- 36 Development Bank only by banks, trust companies, and savings

- l banks.
- 2 2675.2000 BANKS SELLING WITH REPURCHASE AGREEMENT.
- 3 As to repurchase agreements accompanying sales of
- 4 securities, it is permissible for the bank selling securities to
- 5 another to agree that the bank shall have an option or right to
- 6 repurchase the securities from the buyer at a price stated or at
- 7 a price subject to determination under the terms of the
- 8 agreement, but in no case in excess of the market value at the
- 9 time of repurchase.
- Except for securities which are the direct obligation of,
- ll or obligations that are fully guaranteed as to principal and
- 12 interest by, the United States government or an agency thereof,
- 13 it is not permissible for the bank selling securities to another
- 14 to agree that the purchaser shall have the right or the option
- 15 to require the bank to repurchase said securities at a price
- 16 stated or at a price subject to determination under the terms of
- 17 the agreement, notwithstanding the fact that the bank may also,
- 18 under such agreement have the right or option to repurchase the
- 19 securities from the buyer at a price stated or at a price
- 20 subject to determination under the terms of the agreement.
- 21 2675.2050 PURCHASE OF NONELIGIBLE SECURITIES PROHIBITED:
- 22 DISPOSITION; EXCEPTIONS.
- The purchase of securities other than eligible securities
- 24 as defined in part 2675.1110 is prohibited. Any such purchase
- 25 will be considered a violation of this part and the commissioner
- 26 will require that any noneligible security so purchased be
- 27 disposed of within a reasonable length of time. No bank shall
- 28 be permitted to purchase securities of business or municipal
- 29 corporations that shall have undergone debt readjustment until
- 30 12 months shall have elapsed since the effective date of the
- 31 readjustment. Such securities, if purchased, must also be
- 32 disposed of. However, the purchase of railroad equipment trust
- 33 obligations which are not in default either as to principal or
- 34 interest, or both, and which are considered to be of eligible
- 35 quality shall not be prohibited.

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- 1 2675.2100 CASH ITEMS.
- 2 A daily record shall be maintained of all cash items for
- 3 anything other than currency or coin being held over until the
- 4 following day's business and not in the process of being
- 5 forwarded for collection or being returned to endorsers. No
- 6 checks shall be held in a bank's cash account to avoid the
- 7 showing of overdrafts.
- 8 2675.2110 BANKING HOUSE.
- 9 A. Investment for banking house and premises requires
- 10 no prior written approval of the commissioner pursuant to
- 11 Minnesota Statutes, section 47.10, unless:
- 12 (1) the investment is in nonadjacent property, or
- 13 (2) the total investment exceeds 50 percent of
- 14 the banks's capital and paid-in surplus.
- B. In determining the total investment in banking
- 16 premises, the net book value for land, buildings, real estate
- 17 for future use, leasehold improvements, and leases capitalized
- 18 according to financial accounting standard board practices are
- 19 to be aggregated.
- 20 C. A bank shall maintain documentation to reflect
- 21 that investments in banking premises are depreciated or
- 22 amortized pursuant to generally accepted accounting principles.
- 23 The documentation shall disclose the period of time the assets
- 24 are expected to remain on the books, and the accepted practice
- 25 used to consistently assign the cost and write down the value.
- D. Investment in nonadjacent real estate to be used
- 27 for future banking premises not utilized as intended within five
- 28 years shall be considered other real estate unless definite
- 29 plans for utilization are in process and extended time is
- 30 approved by the commissioner.
- 31 E. Prior to December 31, 1985, a bank may, without
- 32 obtaining approval, restate the net book value of its banking
- 33 premises to reflect the original cost less any prior write down
- 34 required under generally accepted accounting principles.
- 35 Adequate documentation shall be maintained to substantiate any

- l restatement of banking premises. Alternatively, a bank not
- 2 restating the value of banking premises may write down the
- 3 remaining net book value pursuant to generally accepted
- 4 accounting principles.
- 5 2675.2130 FURNITURE AND FIXTURES, PERSONAL PROPERTY,
- 6 AUTOMOBILES, AND EQUIPMENT.
- 7 Purchases capitalized in this account shall be amortized as
- 8 required by generally accepted accounting principles, or a
- 9 greater amount as may be approved in writing by the commissioner.
- 10 Furniture and fixtures, personal property, automobiles, and
- ll equipment used in the conduct of banking business may be
- 12 acquired by purchase or lease without obtaining prior approval
- 13 of the commissioner unless the seller or lessor has an existing
- 14 direct or indirect interest in the management or ownership of
- 15 the acquiring bank.
- 16 2675.2140 LEASEHOLD INVESTMENT AMORTIZATION.
- 17 Leasehold investments shall be amortized as required by
- 18 generally accepted accounting principles. Leasehold investments
- 19 receiving prior approval pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section
- 20 47.10, subdivision 3, are subject to further prior approval of
- 21 renegotiated and amended terms. If there is an optional clause
- 22 in such lease for an additional period to be covered thereby,
- 23 this shall serve to extend the amortization period to such
- 24 extent.

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- 25 2675.2170 OTHER REAL ESTATE.
- Other real estate:
- A. Any real estate acquired or owned by a bank (1)
- 28 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 48.21, clauses (2) to
- 29 (5); (2) not used in the business resulting from relocation of
- 30 the principal office, or closing of a detached facility; or (3)
- 31 abandonment of plans to use real estate acquired for future
- 32 expansion, shall be designated as "other real estate." The
- 33 property acquired pursuant to (1) shall be so designated from
- 34 the date upon which the bank actually acquires title. Property

owned pursuant to subitems (2) and (3) shall be so designated

- l from the date the determination is made to divert or abandon as
- 2 actual operating bank premises.
- B. "Other real estate" shall not be entered upon the
- 4 books of a bank at an amount greater than the balance of the
- 5 principal amount of the indebtedness at the time of acquisition
- 6 or the remaining book value if owned. In any case, the book
- 7 value of other real estate shall never exceed the estimated fair
- 8 market value of the property. The fair market value shall be
- 9 determined by an appraisal prepared by an independent qualified
- 10 appraiser within 30 days of acquisition. The appraisal shall be
- ll made part of the other real estate file.
- 12 C. Reasonable attempts shall be made to dispose of
- 13 other real estate by sale. The other real estate file shall be
- 14 documented with disposal attempts. In no case, is depreciation
- 15 required on other real estate, but it shall be removed from the
- 16 books within five years after acquisition.
- D. "Other real estate" sold on contract for deed may
- 18 be carried as a loan at the lesser of the principal balance due
- 19 on the contract, or at its present book value. Loss on sale of
- 20 "other real estate" shall be recognized in the period the sale
- 21 occurs. Gains on sale of other real estate shall be either
- 22 accreted ratably on the same basis as repayment, or may be
- 23 deferred until title is transferred to the buyer.
- E. "Other real estate" shall be documented with an
- 25 attorney's opinion or equivalent evidence to reflect title and
- 26 all encumbrances. Adequate-property-and-liability-insurance
- 27 shall-be-carried,-and-taxes-shall-be-kept-current Insurance must
- 28 be maintained where necessary and taxes must be kept current if
- 29 the "other real estate" is carried as an asset.
- 30 2675.2200 CHARGED OFF ASSETS; DUAL CONTROL.
- 31 Subpart 1. Record. A complete record of charged off
- 32 assets shall be maintained on which all recoveries shall be
- 33 shown. This record shall also cite authority of directors with
- 34 regard to any debts that have been compromised, and include
- 35 signed compromise agreements, if it is possible to obtain them.
- The original records of charged off assets shall be APPROVED IN THE

- 1 maintained under dual control to effect any entry subsequent to
- 2 the board's charge off resolution.
- 3 Subp. 2. and 3. [See repealer.]
- 4 2675.2220 ADDITIONAL COMMON STOCK SALES.
- 5 Any bank which increases its common capital account by
- 6 means of the sale of additional common stock need not carry such
- 7 funds in any other bank but may carry them on its own books
- 8 among demand liabilities and furnishing appropriate certificate
- 9 to the commissioner as to the total paid in.
- 10 2675.2240 DIVIDENDS.
- 11 The dividend period for the purpose of declaring dividends
- 12 in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 48.09 shall be
- 13 the period commencing on January 1 and ending as of the close of
- 14 business December 31 of each calendar year and the net income
- 15 for each such period shall be determined from the consolidated
- 16 report of income of each bank.
- 17 The Department of Commerce will supply each bank with forms
- 18 to be completed with information called for. The forms must be
- 19 mailed or delivered to the commissioner within ten days of the
- 20 date of declaration of any dividend and at least 15 days prior
- 21 to the proposed payment date of any dividend. The forms shall
- 22 contain a statement by the commissioner providing that if
- 23 certain requirements as set forth therein are met, the bank may
- 24 pay a cash dividend or dividends without specific approval of
- 25 the commissioner in the year succeeding the dividend period in
- 26 such amount or amounts as will not reduce the bank's capital,
- 27 surplus, undivided profits, and reserves below such
- 28 requirements. Except as provided in the preceding sentence, no
- 29 bank or trust company shall pay a cash dividend to its
- 30 stockholders until written approval for the dividend has been
- 31 obtained from the commissioner.
- 32 Declared dividends shall be deducted from undivided profits
- 33 and carried on the books as another liability entitled
- 34 "dividends payable." The other liability account shall be
- 35 reversed upon payment or nonapproval by the commissioner.

- 1 2675.2246 CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT OF OTHER FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS.
- Where a bank makes a direct investment in a certificate of
- 3 deposit of another financial institution, such investment shall
- 4 not exceed its legal lending limit as provided in Minnesota
- 5 Statutes, section 48.24; however, this limitation shall apply
- 6 only to that portion, if any, of the investment which is not
- 7 insured by an agency of the United States.
- 8 2675.2250 OVERDRAFTS; OFFICERS OR EMPLOYEES.
- 9 No overdraft shall be permitted to an officer or employee
- 10 of a bank with the exception of those which occur in the
- ll ordinary course of posting and are reimbursed during the same or
- 12 the following business day. Overdrafts originating and disposed
- 13 of in this manner shall not be construed as being in violation
- 14 of Minnesota Statutes, section 48.08.
- 15 2675.2420 OTHER BUSINESS; EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENTS.
- 16 If an officer of a bank is acting as an insurance agent,
- 17 acting to effect transactions in securities or the business of
- 18 an insurance agency or securities broker-dealer not owned by the
- 19 bank is being conducted on the banking premises, there must be
- 20 an arrangement as to allocating overhead expenses or as to
- 21 distribution of net earnings and be included in an appropriate
- 22 board resolution. The allocations may include the credit
- 23 insurance income required to be turned over to the bank pursuant
- 24 to Minnesota Statutes, section 47.016, or commissions.
- 25 2675.2500 DISPLAY AND REPLACEMENT COPIES.
- 26 Every bank shall display its bank charter in a prominent
- 27 place in the lobby. In case of destruction or misplacement of
- 28 the charter, the commissioner will supply a duplicate, upon
- 29 application, at the cost set out in Minnesota Statutes, section
- 30 46.131, subdivision 10.

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- 32 REPEALER. Minnesota Rules, parts 2675.0700; 2675.0800;
- 33 2675.0900; 2675.0910; 2675.0920; 2675.0930; 2675.0940; 2675.0950;
- 34 2675.1160; 2675.2010; 2675.2020; 2675.2030; 2675.2060;

- 2675.2070; 2675.2080; 2675.2090; 2675.2120; 2675.2150;
- 2 2675.2160; 2675.2190; 2675.2200, subparts 2 and 3; 2675.2230;
- 3 2675.2290; and 2675.2410 are repealed.

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