# Examination Work Program Membership As of XXXXXX

## 1) Organizational structure

Evaluate the effectiveness of the functional organization, reporting structure, staffing, primary duties, responsibilities and technical expertise, segregation of duties, cross-training, coordination with other departments, and changes in the foregoing since the last examination.

# 2) Establishment of risk tolerances and development of key policies and oversight by the board of directors. Adequacy of senior management and the risk management function.

Assess risk tolerances, the development of key policies, and oversight by the board of directors. Evaluate the adequacy of senior management oversight and the risk management function for membership approval, as applicable. Review board and management committee meeting minutes and agenda and their decision process.

### 3) Key FHLBank policies and procedures

Identify and evaluate key FHLBank policies and procedures applicable to membership activities. Assess the adequacy of policies, procedures and practices in the context of Finance Board regulations, accounting standards, board of directors directives and risk appetite, strategic and business plans, and industry best practices.

#### 4) Risk assessment under Part 917 and internal control evaluation under SARBOX

Evaluate the effectiveness of the annual risk assessment under Part 917 and of the internal control assessment under SARBOX applicable to membership activities, as well as procedures implemented to periodically attest to the adequacy of the control environment, including board of directors reviews and corrective actions on identified control weaknesses.

#### 5) Internal audit, external audit, and outside consultants reports

Assess testing of controls over its membership activities performed by the FHLBank's external auditors, internal auditors, or consultants. Review the audit plan, audit scope and frequency, the engagement letter, and audit workpapers where appropriate. Review audit exception tracking systems and management's corrective actions.

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# 6) Information technology and controls

Identify and assess the automated and manual systems and applicable controls utilized by the membership function, including authorized users, vendor technical support, utilization of user-developed applications and business continuity and recovery.

# 7) Identification and evaluation of controls and significant changes to the activity or function

Evaluate the workflow and processes as well as controls, including the level and direction of risk and the quality of risk management. If applicable, conduct an assessment of any significant changes to membership activities that have been implemented since the last examination or are being considered that may affect the FHLBank's risk profile.

#### 8) Testing

Conduct testing as appropriate. The scope of testing should be based on the preliminary review of governance, risk management, internal controls and audit coverage.

### 9) Assessment of Risks

Summarize the results of the activity or function examined in a separate memorandum. The memorandum must articulate the risks and the management of those risks. It should also clearly and specifically describe the basis and analysis for the assessment. The memorandum should discuss the type(s) of risk (market, credit, operational); the level of the risk (low, moderate, high); the direction of the risk (stable, decreasing, increasing); and the quality of risk management (strong, adequate, weak). A memorandum must be prepared irrespective of whether the examiner's assessment is positive or negative.

### 10) Items requiring follow-up at the next on-site visitation

Identify key issues that have been communicated to management (written or oral) that require follow-up during the next on-site visitation