

- (A) for fiscal year 1994, \$198,000,000; and
 (B) for each of fiscal years 1995 through 1998, \$198,000,000, increased by the adjustment percentage for the fiscal year.

(c) Funding levels

The Secretary shall make insured loans under this subchapter for the purposes, in the amounts, and for the periods of time specified in subsection (b), as provided in advance in appropriations Acts.

(d) Availability of funds for insured loans

Amounts made available for loans under section 935 of this title are authorized to remain available until expended.

(May 20, 1936, ch. 432, title III, §314, as added Pub. L. 101-508, title I, §1201, Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1388-7; amended Pub. L. 103-129, §2(b)(1), Nov. 1, 1993, 107 Stat. 1362; Pub. L. 103-354, title II, §235(a)(13), Oct. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 3221.)

AMENDMENTS

1994—Subsecs. (b), (c). Pub. L. 103-354 substituted “Secretary” for “Administrator”.

1993—Pub. L. 103-129 amended section generally, substituting provisions authorizing appropriations for the cost of electric hardship loans, electric municipal rate loans, telephone hardship loans, and telephone cost-of-money loans under section 935 of this title for fiscal years 1994 through 1998 for provisions directing the Administrator to make insured loans from the Rural Electrification and Telephone Revolving Fund under section 931 of this title for fiscal years 1991 through 1995, to reduce the amounts of such loans to obtain funds to guarantee the loans, and to guarantee the loans upon request of the borrower at 90 percent of the principal and interest.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 101-508, title I, §1301, Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1388-12, provided that: “This title and the amendments made by this title [enacting this section, amending sections 511r, 1441-2, 1444-2, 1444f, 1445, 1445b-3a, 1445c-3, 1445j, 1446e, 1446f to 1446h, 1722, 1736, 1736a, 1783, 1994, 1999, and 5822 of this title and section 136a of Title 21, Food and Drugs, enacting provisions set out as notes under sections 136w, 1421, and 1445b-3a of this title, and amending provisions set out as notes under sections 1421 and 1999 of this title] shall become effective 1 day after the date of enactment of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 [Nov. 28, 1990], or December 1, 1990, whichever is earlier.”

§ 940e. Expansion of 911 access

(a) In general

Subject to subsection (c) and such terms and conditions as the Secretary may prescribe, the Secretary may make loans under this subchapter to entities eligible to borrow from the Rural Utilities Service, State or local governments, Indian tribes (as defined in section 5304 of title 25), or other public entities for facilities and equipment to expand or improve in rural areas—

- (1) 911 access;
 - (2) integrated interoperable emergency communications, including multiuse networks that provide commercial or transportation information services in addition to emergency communications services;
 - (3) homeland security communications;
 - (4) transportation safety communications;
- or

- (5) location technologies used outside an urbanized area.

(b) Loan security

Government-imposed fees related to emergency communications (including State or local 911 fees) may be considered to be security for a loan under this section.

(c) Emergency communications equipment providers

The Secretary may make a loan under this section to an emergency communication equipment provider to expand or improve 911 access or other communications or technologies described in subsection (a) if the local government that has jurisdiction over the project is not allowed to acquire the debt resulting from the loan.

(d) Authorization of appropriations

The Secretary shall use to make loans under this section any funds otherwise made available for telephone loans for each of fiscal years 2008 through 2018.

(May 20, 1936, ch. 432, title III, §315, as added Pub. L. 107-171, title VI, §6102, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 415; amended Pub. L. 110-234, title VI, §6107, May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1198; Pub. L. 110-246, §4(a), title VI, §6107, June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 1959; Pub. L. 113-79, title VI, §6103, Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 851.)

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 110-234 and Pub. L. 110-246 made identical amendments to this section. The amendments by Pub. L. 110-234 were repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110-246.

AMENDMENTS

2014—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 113-79 substituted “2018” for “2012”.

2008—Pub. L. 110-246, §6107, amended section generally, substituting provisions relating to expansion of access, loan security, emergency communications equipment providers, and authorization of appropriations, consisting of subsecs. (a) to (d), for provisions relating to expansion of access and authorization of appropriations, consisting of subsecs. (a) and (b).

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2008 AMENDMENT

Amendment of this section and repeal of Pub. L. 110-234 by Pub. L. 110-246 effective May 22, 2008, the date of enactment of Pub. L. 110-234, see section 4 of Pub. L. 110-246, set out as an Effective Date note under section 8701 of this title.

§ 940f. Extension of period of existing guarantee

(a) In general

Subject to the limitations in this section and the provisions of the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990 [2 U.S.C. 661 et seq.], as amended, a borrower of a loan made by the Federal Financing Bank and guaranteed under this chapter may request an extension of the final maturity of the outstanding principal balance of such loan or any loan advance thereunder. If the Secretary and the Federal Financing Bank approve such an extension, then the period of the existing guarantee shall also be considered extended.

(b) Limitations

(1) Feasibility and security

Extensions under this section shall not be made unless the Secretary first finds and cer-

tifies that, after giving effect to the extension, in his judgment the security for all loans to the borrower made or guaranteed under this chapter is reasonably adequate and that all such loans will be repaid within the time agreed.

(2) Extension of useful life or collateral

Extensions under this section shall not be granted unless the borrower first submits with its request either—

(A) evidence satisfactory to the Secretary that a Federal or State agency with jurisdiction and expertise has made an official determination, such as through a licensing proceeding, extending the useful life of a generating plant or transmission line pledged as collateral to or beyond the new final maturity date being requested by the borrower, or

(B) a certificate from an independent licensed engineer concluding, on the basis of a thorough engineering analysis satisfactory to the Secretary, that the useful life of the generating plant or transmission line pledged as collateral extends to or beyond the new final maturity date being requested by the borrower.

(3) Amount eligible for extension

Extensions under this section shall not be granted if the principal balance extended exceeds the appraised value of the generating plant or transmission line referred to in subsection paragraph (2).

(4) Period of extension

Extensions under this section shall in no case result in a final maturity greater than 55 years from the time of original disbursement and shall in no case result in a final maturity greater than the useful life of the plant.

(5) Number of extensions

Extensions under this section shall not be granted more than once per loan advance.

(c) Fees

(1) In general

A borrower that receives an extension under this section shall pay a fee to the Secretary which shall be credited to the Rural Electrification and Telecommunications Loans Program account. Such fees shall remain available without fiscal year limitation to pay the modification costs for extensions.

(2) Amount

The amount of the fee paid shall be equal to the modification cost, calculated in accordance with section 502 of the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990 [2 U.S.C. 661a], as amended, of such extension.

(3) Payment

The borrower shall pay the fee required under this section at the time the existing guarantee is extended by making a payment in the amount of the required fee.

(May 20, 1936, ch. 432, title III, §316, as added Pub. L. 109-97, title VII, §774, Nov. 10, 2005, 119 Stat. 2160.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990, referred to in subsec. (a), is title V of Pub. L. 93-344, as added by Pub. L. 101-508, title XIII, §13201(a), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1388-609, as amended, which is classified generally to subchapter III (§661 et seq.) of chapter 17A of Title 2, The Congress. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 621 of Title 2 and Tables.

§ 940g. Electric loans for renewable energy

(a) Definition of renewable energy source

In this section, the term “renewable energy source” means an energy conversion system fueled from a solar, wind, hydropower, biomass, or geothermal source of energy.

(b) Loans

In addition to any other funds or authorities otherwise made available under this chapter, the Secretary may make electric loans under this subchapter for electric generation from renewable energy resources for resale to rural and nonrural residents.

(c) Rate

The rate of a loan under this section shall be equal to the average tax-exempt municipal bond rate of similar maturities.

(May 20, 1936, ch. 432, title III, §317, as added Pub. L. 110-234, title VI, §6108, May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1198, and Pub. L. 110-246, §4(a), title VI, §6108, June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 1959.)

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 110-234 and Pub. L. 110-246 enacted identical sections. Pub. L. 110-234 was repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110-246.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Enactment of this section and repeal of Pub. L. 110-234 by Pub. L. 110-246 effective May 22, 2008, the date of enactment of Pub. L. 110-234, see section 4 of Pub. L. 110-246, set out as a note under section 8701 of this title.

§ 940h. Bonding requirements

The Secretary shall review the bonding requirements for all programs administered by the Rural Utilities Service under this chapter to ensure that bonds are not required if—

- (1) the interests of the Secretary are adequately protected by product warranties; or
- (2) the costs or conditions associated with a bond exceed the benefit of the bond.

(May 20, 1936, ch. 432, title III, §318, as added Pub. L. 110-234, title VI, §6109, May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1198, and Pub. L. 110-246, §4(a), title VI, §6109, June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 1960.)

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 110-234 and Pub. L. 110-246 enacted identical sections. Pub. L. 110-234 was repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110-246.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Enactment of this section and repeal of Pub. L. 110-234 by Pub. L. 110-246 effective May 22, 2008, the date of enactment of Pub. L. 110-234, see section 4 of Pub. L. 110-246, set out as a note under section 8701 of this title.