## **VALERI** Servicer Newsflash

## April 1, 2019

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

**Circular 26-19-8**, Special Relief Following Alaska Earthquakes, was issued on March 1, 2019, and is located on the VALERI internet at <u>https://www.benefits.va.gov/homeloans/servicers\_valeri.asp</u>.

**Circular 26-19-7**, Special Relief Following Alabama Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds and Tornadoes, was issued on March 8, 2019, and is located on the VALERI internet at <a href="https://www.benefits.va.gov/homeloans/servicers\_valeri.asp">https://www.benefits.va.gov/homeloans/servicers\_valeri.asp</a>.

**Servicer Handbook Update** – Revisions to multiple chapters and appendices have been posted in M26-4 and are reflected on the transmittal document dated February 26, 2019. They can be accessed at <a href="https://www.benefits.va.gov/homeloans/servicers\_valeri.asp">https://www.benefits.va.gov/homeloans/servicers\_valeri.asp</a>.

**Appraisal Fee Changes** – Appraisal fees for numerous states have recently been updated. The changes will be reflected on the VALERI Fee Cost Schedule, which is located at <a href="http://www.benefits.va.gov/HOMELOANS/servicers-valeri-rules.asp">http://www.benefits.va.gov/HOMELOANS/servicers-valeri-rules.asp</a>.

**Fee Cost Schedule Updates** – Effective March 8, 2019, the max allowable for the Posting Notice of Sale fee in Texas has been updated. This change is reflected on the VALERI Fee Cost Schedule, which is located at <a href="http://www.benefits.va.gov/HOMELOANS/servicers-valeri-rules.asp">http://www.benefits.va.gov/HOMELOANS/servicers-valeri-rules.asp</a>.

**Assumptions** – Guidance on Assumptions can be found in the M26-1, Chapters 2, Sections 5 and 6, and the Lender's Handbook, Chapter 5, Section 7, which is located at <u>https://www.benefits.va.gov/WARMS/Site\_Map.asp</u>.

## REMINDER

**Redemption Instructions** – Redemption instructions are located on the VALERI internet at <a href="https://www.benefits.va.gov/HOMELOANS/servicers valeri guides.asp">https://www.benefits.va.gov/HOMELOANS/servicers valeri guides.asp</a>. All questions and inquiries related to redemption procedures are to be directed to <a href="https://wrm-redemption@vrmco.com">vrm-redemption@vrmco.com</a>.

**Vacant Assets** – The removal of hazardous materials from the exterior and interior of properties is a requirement prior to transferring custody of vacant properties, as outlined in M26-4 Appendix G located on the VALERI internet at <u>https://www.benefits.va.gov/HOMELOANS/servicers\_valeri\_guides.asp</u>.

**VALERI Access** – Individuals requiring assistance with VALERI access must contact their company administrator within their organization. The VALERI Helpdesk does not reset passwords or edit/create/activate/deactivate servicers' user profiles. These types of requests should not be submitted to the VALERI Helpdesk (VA Servicer Handbook, M26-4, Chapter 2).