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Subject: RE: Call for Data: Voting EO Agency Strategic Plan
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Thanks.

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Short answer:

Executive Order 14019 only applies to FCA in one limited way but does not vest FCA with any direct responsibilities.

Long answer:

- With the exception of section 6 of the Executive Order (“E.O.”), E.O. 14019 does not apply to FCA.
 - Section 11 of the E.O. states as follows: “Except as otherwise defined in section 6 of this order, ‘agency’ means any authority of the United States that is an ‘agency’ under 44 U.S.C. 3502(1), other than those considered to be independent regulatory agencies, as defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(5).”
 - In turn, 44 U.S.C. 3502(5) states that the term “independent regulatory agency” covers several enumerated agencies “and any other similar agency designated by statute as a Federal independent regulatory agency or commission.”
 - Section 5.7 of the Farm Credit Act states: “The Farm Credit Administration shall be an independent agency in the executive branch of the Government.”
 - Therefore, FCA does not meet the definition of “agency” in the E.O., except with respect to section 6 of the E.O.
- Section 6 of the E.O. directs the Director of OPM to coordinate with the heads of executive agencies to provide recommendations to the President concerning (1) policies relating to granting time off to employees for voting and (2) “strategies to better support Federal employees who wish to volunteer to serve as non-partisan poll workers or non-partisan observers.”
 - While the term “executive agencies” in section 6 of the E.O. includes the FCA, that section does not direct the FCA to do anything (other than presumably support OPM as it “coordinates” with all Executive Branch agencies in developing recommendations).

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Does this EO apply to us, Clark?

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FYI....

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Colleagues,

On March 7, 2021, the President issued [Executive Order 14019, Promoting Access to Voting](#). Section 3 of that order directs the head of each agency subject to the order to evaluate ways that the agency can promote nonpartisan voter registration and voter participation. It also directs each agency subject to the order, within 200 days of the date of the order, to submit to the Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy a strategic plan outlining the ways that the agency intends to do so. Just as examples, many other agencies are committing to linking to vote.gov in online materials, promoting nonpartisan voter engagement with agency social media accounts in periods leading up to federal elections, and prompting eligible employees to ensure that their registration information is up to date at significant HR events (for example, upon onboarding or when they change address). In addition to actions that may be common to many agencies, each agency should consider ways in which it is uniquely situated to promote nonpartisan voter registration and voter participation.

The strategic plans required by the order are due on September 23, 2021. Under section 11 of the order, those plans are required of every “authority of the United States that is an “agency” under 44 U.S.C. 3502(1), other than those considered to be independent regulatory agencies, as defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(5)”; each agency should confirm its own responsibilities. The Domestic Policy Council requests that agencies with responsibilities to submit strategic plans do so using the attached template. Submission instructions are below and are also reflected on the attached PowerPoint slides. If you have any questions, please contact Justin Levitt (justin.m.levitt@who.eop.gov) at the Domestic Policy Council or Joseph Waldow (joseph.d.waldow@omb.eop.gov) at the Office of Management and Budget.

Submission instructions:

- **Format:** Agencies are asked to submit their report as a Microsoft Word file.
- **File name:** Please use the format “[Agency] Voting EO Strategic Plan [Date Submitted].docx”.
- **Uploading:** OMB has created a MAX Collect tool for uploading the strategic plans (link here: <https://collect.max.gov/x/Ms6gnO>). Instructions for accessing the portal and uploading the reports are attached.

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