499.69A Qualified mergers.

- 1. One or more cooperative associations and one or more qualified corporations may participate in a qualified merger as provided in this section.
- 2. Each participating cooperative association and qualified corporation must approve a written plan of qualified merger.
 - a. The plan shall set forth all of the following:
- (1) The name of each cooperative association and qualified corporation participating in the qualified merger, and the name of the qualified survivor.
 - (2) The terms and conditions of the qualified merger.
- (3) The manner and basis of converting the interests, including shares or other securities, and obligations in each nonsurviving cooperative association or qualified corporation into the interests and obligations of the qualified survivor.
- (4) Any amendments to the articles of incorporation of the qualified survivor as are desired to be effected by the qualified merger, or a statement that no amendment is desired.
- (5) The date that the qualified merger becomes effective, if the date is different than the date when a certificate of merger is to be issued for a cooperative association, or if the date is different than the date when the articles of merger are filed with the secretary of state for a qualified corporation.
 - (6) Other provisions relating to the qualified merger as are deemed necessary or desirable.
- *b*. A proposed plan for a qualified merger complying with the requirements of this section shall be approved as follows:
- (1) For a cooperative association which is a party to the proposed qualified merger, the cooperative association shall approve the plan as provided in this chapter.
- (2) For a qualified corporation which is a party to the proposed qualified merger, the qualified corporation shall approve the plan as provided in chapter 490, subchapter XI.
- c. After the proposed plan for the qualified merger is approved, a cooperative association or qualified corporation may abandon the merger in the manner provided in the plan, prior to the filing of the articles of merger.
- 3. After a proposed plan of the qualified merger is approved, the qualified survivor shall deliver articles of merger for the qualified merger to the secretary of state for filing. The articles of merger shall be executed by each cooperative association and qualified corporation which is a party to the qualified merger. The articles of merger shall set forth all of the following:
- a. The name of each cooperative association and qualified corporation which is a party to the qualified merger.
 - b. The plan for the qualified merger.
- c. The effective date of the qualified merger, if later than the date of filing the articles of merger.
 - d. The name of the qualified survivor.
- e. A statement that the plan for the qualified merger was approved by each participating cooperative association and qualified corporation in a manner required for the cooperative association and qualified corporation as provided in this section.
- 4. For a surviving cooperative association, a qualified merger becomes effective upon the filing of the articles of merger with the secretary of state and the issuance of a certificate of merger pursuant to section 499.68 or the date stated in the articles of merger, whichever is later. For a surviving qualified corporation, a qualified merger becomes effective upon the filing of the articles of merger with the secretary of state pursuant to section 490.1106 or the date stated in the articles, whichever is later.
- 5. The effect of a qualified merger for a qualified survivor which is a cooperative association shall be as provided for in this chapter. The effect of a qualified merger for a qualified survivor which is a qualified corporation shall be as provided for corporations under chapter 490, subchapter XI.
- 6. The provisions governing the right of a shareholder or member of a cooperative association to object to a merger or the right of a member to dissent and obtain payment of the fair value of an interest in the cooperative association in the case of a merger as

provided in this chapter shall apply to a qualified merger. The provisions governing the right of a shareholder of a corporation to exercise appraisal rights and obtain payment of the fair value of the shareholder's shares in the case of a merger as provided in chapter 490, subchapter XIII, shall apply to a qualified merger.

7. A foreign cooperative association may participate in a qualified merger as provided in this section, if the foreign cooperative association complies with the requirements for a cooperative association under this section and the requirements for a foreign cooperative association under section 499.69. A foreign corporation may participate in a qualified merger as provided in this section if it complies with the requirements of a qualified corporation under this section and the requirements for a foreign corporation under section 490.1102.

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