§ 950.302 Responsibilities of national and international federations.

(a) National and international federations must ensure that only those member organizations that comply with all eligibility requirements included in these regulations are certified for participation in the CFC.

(b) The Director may elect to review, accept or reject the certifications of the eligibility of the members of the national federations. If the Director requests information supporting a certification of national eligibility, that information shall be furnished promptly. Failure to furnish such information within 10 business days of the receipt of the request constitutes grounds for the denial of national eligibility of that member.

(c) Each federation, as fiscal agent for its member organizations, must ensure that Federal employee designations are honored in that each member organization receives its proportionate share of receipts based on the results of each individual campaign. The proportionate share of receipts is determined by donor designations to the individual member organization as compared to total campaign designations.

§ 950.303 Local federations eligibility.

(a) LFCC’s must approve local federations that meet the applicable requirements, except that in order to determine whether the LFCC must recognize a local federation, the LFCC may request evidence of corrective action regarding any prior violation of regulation or directive, sanction, or penalty, as appropriate. A local federation that has been notified that it will not be included on the Local part of the Charity List because of failure to correct a prior violation may appeal the LFCC’s decision to the Director in accordance with §950.205(b). The Director retains the ultimate authority to decide whether the local federation has demonstrated, to the Director’s satisfaction, that the local federation has taken appropriate corrective action. Failure to demonstrate satisfactory corrective action or to respond to a request by the LFCC or Director for information within 10 business days of the date of the request may result in a determination that the local federation will not be included in the Local part of the Charity List.

(b) By applying for inclusion in the CFC, federations consent to allow the LFCC and Director complete access to it and its members’ CFC books and records and to respond to requests for information by the LFCC and the Director.

(c) An organization may apply to the LFCC for inclusion as a local federation to participate in the CFC if the applicant has as members of the proposed federation 15 or more charitable organizations, in addition to the federation itself, that meet the eligibility criteria of §§950.202, 950.203 and 950.204. The initial year an organization applies for federation status, it must submit to the LFCC applications of all its proposed member organizations in addition to the federation application. A federation must re-establish eligibility each year, however only the applications of its new and former members that were not within the federation, as a CFC participant, in the previous year’s campaign need accompany the annual federation application once an organization has obtained federation status, unless additional member applications are requested by the LFCC.

(d) After an organization has been granted federation status, it may certify that its member organizations meet all eligibility criteria of §§950.202, 950.203, and 950.204 to be included on the Local List. While deference should be given to federation certifications, the LFCC, during the review process, may request independent evidence of individual member organization’s eligibility. Federation status in a prior campaign is not a guarantee of federation status in a subsequent campaign. Failure to meet minimum federation eligibility requirements shall not be