SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM T-1

STATEMENT OF ELIGIBILITY UNDER THE TRUST INDENTURE ACT OF 1939 OF A CORPORATION DESIGNATED TO ACT AS TRUSTEE

Check if an Application to Determine Eligibility of a Trustee Pursuant to Section 305(b)(2) X

STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY (Exact name of trustee as specified in its charter)

Massachusetts

04-1867445 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organization if not a U.S. national bank)

> 225 Franklin Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02110 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

John R. Towers, Esq., Executive Vice President and General Counsel 225 Franklin Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02110 (617) 654-3253

(Name, address and telephone number of agent for service)

BAY APARTMENT COMMUNITIES, INC. (Exact name of obligor as specified in its charter)

MARYLAND

77-0404318

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

4340 STEVENS CREEK BOULEVARD, SUITE 275 SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA 95129 (408) 983-1500 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

SENIOR DEBT SECURITIES

(Title of indenture securities)

GENERAL

ITEM 1. GENERAL INFORMATION.

FURNISH THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION AS TO THE TRUSTEE:

(a) NAME AND ADDRESS OF EACH EXAMINING OR SUPERVISORY AUTHORITY TO WHICH IT IS SUBJECT.

> Department of Banking and Insurance of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, 100 Cambridge Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington, D.C., Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Washington, D.C.

(b) WHETHER IT IS AUTHORIZED TO EXERCISE CORPORATE TRUST POWERS.

Trustee is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers.

ITEM 2. AFFILIATIONS WITH OBLIGOR.

IF THE OBLIGOR IS AN AFFILIATE OF THE TRUSTEE, DESCRIBE EACH SUCH AFFILIATION.

> The obligor is not an affiliate of the trustee or of its parent, State Street Corporation.

(See note on page 2.)

ITEM 3. THROUGH ITEM 15. NOT APPLICABLE. ITEM 16. LIST OF EXHIBITS.

LIST BELOW ALL EXHIBITS FILED AS PART OF THIS STATEMENT OF ELIGIBILITY.

1. A COPY OF THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION OF THE TRUSTEE AS NOW IN EFFECT.

A copy of the Articles of Association of the trustee, as now in effect, is on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission as Exhibit 1 to Amendment No. 1 to the Statement of Eligibility and Qualification of Trustee (Form T-1) filed with the Registration Statement of Morse Shoe, Inc. (File No. 22-17940) and is incorporated herein by reference thereto.

2. A COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY OF THE TRUSTEE TO COMMENCE BUSINESS, IF NOT CONTAINED IN THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION.

A copy of a Statement from the Commissioner of Banks of Massachusetts that no certificate of authority for the trustee to commence business was necessary or issued is on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission as Exhibit 2 to Amendment No. 1 to the Statement of Eligibility and Qualification of Trustee (Form T-1) filed with the Registration Statement of Morse Shoe, Inc. (File No. 22-17940) and is incorporated herein by reference thereto.

3. A COPY OF THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE TRUSTEE TO EXERCISE CORPORATE TRUST POWERS, IF SUCH AUTHORIZATION IS NOT CONTAINED IN THE DOCUMENTS SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH (1) OR (2), ABOVE.

A copy of the authorization of the trustee to exercise corporate trust powers is on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission as Exhibit 3 to Amendment No. 1 to the Statement of Eligibility and Qualification of Trustee (Form T-1) filed with the Registration Statement of Morse Shoe, Inc. (File No. 22-17940) and is incorporated herein by reference thereto.

4. A COPY OF THE EXISTING BY-LAWS OF THE TRUSTEE, OR INSTRUMENTS CORRESPONDING THERETO.

A copy of the by-laws of the trustee, as now in effect, is on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission as Exhibit 4 to the Statement of Eligibility and Qualification of Trustee (Form T-1) filed with the Registration Statement of Eastern Edison Company (File No. 33-37823) and is incorporated herein by reference thereto.

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5. A COPY OF EACH INDENTURE REFERRED TO IN ITEM 4. IF THE OBLIGOR IS IN DEFAULT.

Not applicable.

 $\,$ 6. THE CONSENTS OF UNITED STATES INSTITUTIONAL TRUSTEES REQUIRED BY SECTION 321(b) OF THE ACT.

The consent of the trustee required by Section 321(b) of the \mbox{Act} is annexed hereto as Exhibit 6 and made a part hereof.

7. A COPY OF THE LATEST REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE TRUSTEE PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO LAW OR THE REQUIREMENTS OF ITS SUPERVISING OR EXAMINING AUTHORITY.

A copy of the latest report of condition of the trustee published pursuant to law or the requirements of its supervising or examining authority is annexed hereto as Exhibit 7 and made a part hereof.

NOTES

In answering any item of this Statement of Eligibility which relates to matters peculiarly within the knowledge of the obligor or any underwriter for the obligor, the trustee has relied upon information furnished to it by the obligor and the underwriters, and the trustee disclaims responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of such information.

The answer furnished to Item 2. of this statement will be amended, if necessary, to reflect any facts which differ from those stated and which would have been required to be stated if known at the date hereof.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, the trustee, State Street Bank and Trust Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, has duly caused this statement of eligibility to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, all in the City of Boston and The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, on JANUARY 6, 1998.

STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY

By: /s/ Robert J. Dunn

NAME ROBERT J. DUNN TITLE VICE PRESIDENT

EXHIBIT 6

CONSENT OF THE TRUSTEE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 321(b) of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, in connection with the proposed issuance by Bay Apartment Communities, Inc. of its SENIOR DEBT SECURITIES, we hereby consent that reports of examination by Federal, State, Territorial or District authorities may be furnished by such authorities to the Securities and Exchange Commission upon request therefor.

STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY

By: /s/ Robert J. Dunn

NAME ROBERT J. DUNN TITLE VICE PRESIDENT

DATED: JANUARY 6, 1998

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EXHIBIT 7

Consolidated Report of Condition of State Street Bank and Trust Company, Massachusetts and foreign and domestic subsidiaries, a state banking institution organized and operating under the banking laws of this commonwealth and a member of the Federal Reserve System, at the close of business SEPTEMBER 30, 1997, published in accordance with a call made by the Federal Reserve Bank of this District pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Reserve Act and in accordance with a call made by the Commissioner of Banks under General Laws, Chapter 172, Section 22(a).

<TABLE> <CAPTION>

ASSETS	Thousands of Dollars
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Cash and balances due from depository institutions:	
Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coin	1,380,475
Interest-bearing balances	8,821,855
Securities	10,461,989
Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell in domestic offices	
of the bank and its Edge subsidiary	6,085,138
Loans and leases, net of unearned income	5,597,831
Allowance for loan and lease losses	79,416
Allocated transfer risk reserve	0
Loans and leases, net of unearned income and allowances	5,518,415
Assets held in trading accounts	917,895
Premises and fixed assets	390 , 028 779
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries	34 , 278
Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding	83,470
Intangible assets	227,659
Other assets	1,969,514
Total assets	35,891,495 =======
LIABILITIES	
Deposits:	
In domestic offices	8,095,559
Noninterest-bearing	
Interest-bearing	14,399,173
Noninterest-bearing	14,333,173
Interest-bearing	
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under	
agreements to repurchase in domestic offices of	
the bank and of its Edge subsidiary	7,660,881
Demand notes issued to the U.S. Treasury and Trading Liabilities	1,107,552
Other borrowed money	589 , 733
Subordinated notes and debentures	0
Bank's liability on acceptances executed and outstanding	85,600
Other liabilities	1,830,593
Total liabilities	33,769,091
EQUITY CAPITAL	
Perpetual preferred stock and related surplus	0
Common stock	29,931
Surplus	437,183
Undivided profits and capital reserves/Net unrealized holding gains (losses)	1,660,158
Cumulative foreign currency translation adjustments	(4,868)
Total equity capital	2,122,404
Total liabilities and equity capital	35,891,495
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I, Rex S. Schuette, Senior Vice President and Comptroller of the above named bank do hereby declare that this Report of Condition has been prepared in conformance with the instructions issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

We, the undersigned directors, attest to the correctness of this Report of Condition and declare that it has been examined by us and to the best of our knowledge and belief has been prepared in conformance with the instructions issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and is true and correct

David A. Spina Marshall N. Carter Truman S. Casner