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TO: The Chief Executive Officer of Each State Member Bank Located in the Second Federal Reserve District

As part of the joint mailing with other supervisory agencies, state member banks received their Report of Condition and Income materials for the December 31, 2008 report date from the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council. The agencies are not sending a sample set of the December 31, 2008, report forms to banks.

Please plan to complete the preparation, review, and submission of your Call Report data to the Central Data Repository (CDR) as early as possible. Starting your preparation early will aid you in identifying and resolving any edit exceptions prior to the submission deadline.

The Instructions for Preparation of Consolidated Reports of Condition and Income have been revised for the December 31, 2008 reporting period, including the reporting of balances held at the Federal Reserve Banks. Specifically, balances due from the Federal Reserve Banks are now reported as "Interest-bearing balances" (Schedule RC, item 1.b.) (excluding clearing balances, which are reported on Schedule RC, item 1.a.), and interest income on such balances are reported on "Interest income on balances due from depository institutions" (Schedule RI item 1.c.). Please refer to the Call Report Instruction Book Update at the FFIEC website for detailed information.

As the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council (FFIEC) previously advised you, the U.S. Office of Management and Budget has approved revisions to Call Report Schedule RC-O, Other Data for Deposit Insurance and FICO Assessments, that take effect December 31, 2008, and are applicable to all banks participating in the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's (FDIC) Transaction Account Guarantee Program (see FIL-141-2008, dated December 11, 2008). A participating bank must report the amount and number of its noninterest-bearing transaction accounts, as defined in the FDIC's regulations governing the program, of more than \$250,000 in Schedule RC-O, Memorandum items 4.a and 4.b. The FDIC will use this information to calculate assessments for participants in the Transaction Account Guarantee Program.

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In addition, although the FDIC's deposit insurance limit has temporarily increased to \$250,000, the agencies have not revised Memorandum items 1.a and 1.b of Call Report Schedule RC-O for the amount and number of deposit accounts (other than retirement deposit accounts) of (a) \$100,000 or less and (b) more than \$100,000. Banks should continue to complete these items using the \$100,000 size threshold for deposit accounts without taking into account the temporary increase in the deposit insurance limit. Similarly, when reporting estimated uninsured deposits in Memorandum item 2 of Schedule RC-O, banks required to provide this estimate should continue to calculate the amount of uninsured deposits based on the deposit insurance limits of \$250,000 for retirement deposit accounts and \$100,000 for all other accounts. Banks should not consider the temporary increase in deposit insurance coverage to \$250,000 or their participation in the FDIC's Debt Guarantee Program or Transaction Account Guarantee Program when estimating their uninsured deposits for Schedule RC-O, Memorandum item 2.

All banks are reminded to report the amount of their preferred deposits (Memorandum item 1.e of Schedule RC-E). This information is collected only as of the December 31 report date each year. Banks that have fiduciary or related activities (in the form of assets or accounts), either at the bank itself or in a trust company subsidiary, should ensure that they complete the appropriate items in Schedule RC-T, Fiduciary and Related Services. The specific items that are to be completed in Schedule RC-T are determined by a bank's total fiduciary assets as of December 31, 2007, or its gross fiduciary and related services income in 2007.

Report Submission

Except for certain banks with foreign offices, a completed Call Report must be submitted electronically to the CDR no later than **Friday, January 30, 2008**. However, banks with more than one foreign office must electronically transmit its Call Report data to CDR no later than **Wednesday, February 4, 2008**. To be considered timely, the report must pass FFIEC-published validity edits and quality edits, or where necessary, contain explanations for any quality edits that are not passed. Explanatory comments should be prepared consistent with the "Guidelines for Resolving Edits" that are published on the FFIEC's web site: <http://www.ffeic.gov/find/documents/resolvingedits.pdf>

Please note that the timeliness of receipt of the Call Report will be monitored. Any report at the CDR after 5:00 p.m. on January 30 will be considered late.

The staff of this bank will monitor whether banking organizations are meeting their basic reporting requirements through the use of validity edits.

Each bank must file its December 31, 2008, Call Report data in one of the following two ways:

- A bank may use computer software to prepare and edit its report data and then electronically submit the data directly to the CDR (<https://cdr.ffeicgov/cdr/>).
- A bank may complete its report in paper form and arrange with a software vendor or

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another party to convert its paper report into the electronic format that can be processed by the CDR. The software vendor or other party then must electronically submit the bank's Call Report data file to the CDR.

Website

Report forms and instructions for the Call Report can be obtained from the FFIEC internet website at the following address: www.ffiec.gov/ffiec_report_forms.htm. In addition, we have enclosed a copy of the supplemental instructions for your review.

Any questions about this report may be directed to Oscar Torres, Reports Analyst in the Regulatory Reports Division at (212) 720-6796 or Vadim Tovshteyn, Team Leader of that Division at (212) 720-8465.

Sincerely,

--Signed by *Kenneth P. Lamar*--

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