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To: All FFIEC 009/009a Reporters

On August 15, 2011, you were informed that the Federal Reserve System will be undertaking a multi-year initiative to enhance data collection capabilities. Beginning in early 2012, we will introduce a new reporting application, Reporting Central, to replace the Internet Electronic Submission (IESUB) system. **Please note that it will be mandatory that the FFIEC 009/009a reports be filed using the Reporting Central application beginning with the as of date of March 31, 2012.**

I want to strongly encourage you to begin the transition process now to avoid disruption of electronic reporting of the FFIEC 009/009a and being late on this mandatory electronic report. The process to gain access can take several months to complete.

Federal Reserve Bank staff is prepared to assist you throughout the transition process. It is imperative that you begin this process in a timely manner so that your organization has the appropriate amount of time to complete the multi-stage transition process. It is important to follow the steps in a sequential manner, as each one is dependent upon the successful completion of its predecessor.

The Reporting Central application is being introduced to provide a more secure, technically advanced and efficient system that will be a single point of entry for Federal Reserve, Federal Financial Institution Examination Council (FFIEC), and Treasury electronic reports submission and file uploads. Organizations will utilize the FedLine Web® access solution to access the Reporting Central application to submit report data and access electronic reporting applications, report forms and instructions.

In a multi-year conversion effort, the FFIEC 009/009a Country Exposure reports will be among the first reports to move to the Reporting Central application beginning with the as of date of March 31, 2012. Please share this information with all vendors who support the software development for your organization.
The FFIEC 009/009a Country Exposure report environment in the Reporting Central application will be available beginning with the as of date of March 31, 2012. At that time, IESUB availability for the FFIEC 009/009a Country Exposure reports will be turned off. You will then be required to use the Reporting Central application to submit the FFIEC 009/009a Country Exposure reports. As a reminder, paper submission of the FFIEC 009/009a Country Exposure reports will not be permissible. Until then, the current IESUB application process will not be affected, and you should continue to use IESUB as you normally do.

More detailed information is available via the Reporting Central Resource Center. If you have questions at this time regarding these upcoming changes, please contact your Reporting Central District Contact or send an email to NY.REPORTINGCENTRALCOMMUNICATION@NY.FRB.ORG. Any data questions concerning FFIEC 009/009a Country Exposure reporting should be addressed to Alex Santana, Staff Director of the International Reports Division, at (212) 720-6357.

Sincerely,

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