

**FEDERAL RESERVE BANK
OF DALLAS**

Dallas, Texas, January 15, 1943

**To All Banking Institutions in the
Eleventh Federal Reserve District:**

On January 6, 1943, the Office of Price Administration mailed to all banks a letter announcing that the Ration Banking Plan would be put into nation-wide operation beginning January 27, 1943. The letter was accompanied by samples of the forms to be used by the banks, together with detailed specifications for each form.

In order to facilitate the clearance of ration checks through the Federal Reserve System, each Federal Reserve bank and branch has been assigned a routing symbol. Ration checks drawn on banks located in the Eleventh Federal Reserve District should bear routing symbols as follows:

	Federal Reserve Routing Symbol
Banks located in the Dallas Head Office territory.....	FR-11
Banks located in the El Paso Branch territory.....	FR-111
Banks located in the Houston Branch territory.....	FR-112
Banks located in the San Antonio Branch territory.....	FR-113

As explained in the specifications of the check as set forth in the letter above mentioned, the routing symbol must appear to the left under the drawee bank's name, with the American Bankers Association transit number to the right, as in the following illustrations:

Head Office Territory		
	The First State Bank	
FR-11	Abernathy, Texas	88-903
El Paso Branch Territory		
	First National Bank	
FR-111	Fabens, Texas	88-1952
Houston Branch Territory		
	Continental State Bank	
FR-112	Alto, Texas	88-703
San Antonio Branch Territory		
	First State Bank	
FR-113	Alamo, Texas	88-1918

Your cooperation in using the appropriate symbol will be of benefit to all banks in the routing of the checks.

Yours very truly,

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President