FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF DALLAS DALLAS, TEXAS 75222

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REVISED SCHEDULE OF OPERATING HOURS FOR THE TRANSFER AND SETTLEMENT OF FUNDS EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 1981

REVISED SCHEDULE OF OPERATING HOURS FOR NET SETTLEMENT ARRANGEMENTS EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 1981

TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF ALL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS IN THE ELEVENTH FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICT:

Revised Bulletins 6A and 6C have been prepared effective May 1, 1981. These Bulletins have been updated in order to reflect the revised schedule of operating hours for transfers of funds and settlement of funds dispatched under the Federal Reserve System's wire network. In addition, there is a revised schedule of operating hours for net settlement arrangements.

It should be noted that there is a 30-minute extension for interdistrict transfer items (on-line instructions). For interdistrict transfer requests (telephonic instructions), there is no extension. Telephonic instructions require the earlier cut-off time in order to allow for appropriate Federal Reserve processing and handling prior to cut-off time. Therefore, in order to recapitulate the new hours noted in Bulletin 6A, we accept interdistrict transfer items (on-line institutions) until 3: 30 p.m., Central Time each business day. (For the El Paso Territory of the Eleventh Federal Reserve District, the deadline is 2: 30 p.m., Mountain Time). We accept interdistrict transfer requests (telephonic instructions) until 3: 00 p.m., Central Time each business day. (For the El Paso Territory of the Eleventh Federal Reserve District, the deadline is 2:00 p.m., Mountain Time). Intradistrict transfer deadlines for both transfer items (on-line) and transfer requests (telephonic) are identical to interdistrict transfer deadlines.

Concerning the settlement period, there is a two-hour extension to allow a reasonable settlement period among financial depository institutions and involves settlement transfers only. (For the Dallas, Houston, and San Antonio territories, this extension is from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Central Time each business day; for the El Paso territory, the settlement period hours are from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Mountain Time). These times are applicable to settlement transfer items (on-line instructions). However, settlement transfer requests (telephonic instructions) will have an earlier cut-off of 5:00 p.m., Central

Banks and others are encouraged to use the following incoming WATS numbers in contacting this Bank: 1-800-442-7140 (intrastate) and 1-800-527-9200 (interstate). For calls placed locally, please use 651 plus the extension referred to above.

Time (4:00 p.m., Mountain Time). Settlement transfers are restricted to transfers between a transferor and transferee for their own accounts, or for the account of another financial depository institution on the books of the transferor or transferee. A settlement transfer must be identified with type code 16 and may contain third party information relating only to financial depository institutions. Settlement transfers may be used to adjust for net settlement transactions. Immediate telephone advice is not provided for settlement transfers. The extended two-hour settlement period will facilitate reserve account management and enable depository institutions to have access to a national market to buy and sell Federal Funds.

Except for major Federal Reserve Communications System failures, there will be no extension of time deadlines. Institutions should establish internal procedures to insure that all messages have been transmitted prior to the appropriate cut-off.

A copy of the revised Bulletins effective May 1, 1981 are attached. They should be filed with Bulletin 6 in the Regulations Binder furnished by this Bank. Additional copies of the Bulletins will be furnished upon request to the Department of Communications, Financial and Community Affairs, Ext. 6266.

Questions regarding this circular should be directed to Richard D. Ingram, Assistant Vice President, Ext. 6333, at the Dallas Office; William L. Wilson, Assistant Vice President, (915) 544-4730 at the El Paso Office; C. O. Holt, Jr., Assistant Vice President, (713) 659-4433 at the Houston Office; or Tony Valencia, Assistant Vice President, (512) 224-2141 at the San Antonio Office.

Sincerely yours,

William H. Wallace

First Vice President

Attachments

SCHEDULE OF TIME LIMITS

(Closing Hours for Telegraphic Transfers of Funds for Consummation on Day of Receipt)

I. Closing Hours

A. Interdistrict Transfers

We accept interdistrict transfer items (on-line instructions) until 3:30 p.m., and interdistrict transfer requests (telephonic instructions) until 3:00 p.m., Central Time each business day. (For the El Paso Territory of the Eleventh Federal Reserve District, the times are 2:30 p.m. and 2:00 p.m., respectively, Mountain Time). In our discretion, we may accept interdistrict transfer items and requests after these times, but the completion of such transfers is also at the discretion of the transferee's Reserve Bank.

B. Intradistrict Transfers

We accept intradistrict transfer items (on-line instructions) until 3:30 p.m., and intradistrict transfer requests (telephonic instructions) until 3:00 p.m., Central Time each business day. (For the El Paso Territory of the Eleventh Federal Reserve District, the times are 2:30 p.m. and 2:00 p.m., respectively, Mountain Time). In our discretion, we may accept intradistrict transfer items and requests after these times.

II. Settlement Period

We accept settlement transfer items (on-line instructions) until 5:30 p.m., and settlement transfer requests (telephonic instructions) until 5:00 p.m., Central Time each business day. (For the El Paso Territory of the Eleventh Federal Reserve District, times are 4:30 p.m. and 4:00 p.m., respectively, Mountain Time). A settlement transfer is a transfer between a transferor and transferee for their own accounts, or for the account of another financial depository institution on the books of the transferor or transferee. A settlement transfer must be identified with type code 16, and may contain third party information relating only to financial depository institutions. Settlement transfers may be used to adjust for net settlement transactions. Immediate telephone advice is not provided for settlement transfers.

FEE SCHEDULE FOR NET SETTLEMENT SERVICES

(Effective January 29, 1981)

NET SETTLEMENT

Basic Settlement Charge Per Entry \$.80

Surcharges:
Settlement Originated Off-Line 2.70
Telephone Advice Requested 1.80*

*Fees for advices requested by an originator became effective March 26, 1981.

SCHEDULE OF TIME LIMITS

NET SETTLEMENT

Organizations participating in net settlement arrangements must begin to submit settlement transaction detail to us by 4:00 p.m. Central Time, or at such earlier time as in the judgment of this Reserve Bank as will insure completion of all transactions by 5:00 p.m. Central Time. (For the El Paso Territory of the Eleventh Federal Reserve District, times are 3:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m., respectively, Mountain Time).