

## FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF DALLAS

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TO: Broker-dealers and others concerned in the Eleventh Federal Reserve District

## SUBJECT

Final rule on amendment to Regulation T  $\operatorname{\mathsf{--}}$  Credit by Brokers and Dealers

## DETAILS

The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System has adopted an amendment to its Regulation T to enable broker-dealers to facilitate the exercise of employee stock options. The amendment provides a method by which brokers and dealers can temporarily finance the acquisition of stock under employee stock option plans by permitting the advance of funds for a short period of time. In lieu of the securities to be received upon exercise of the option, broker-dealers are allowed to accept a fully endorsed employee stock option with instructions signed by the customer instructing the issuer to deliver the securities to the broker-dealer. The amendment becomes effective January 25, 1988.

## MORE INFORMATION

Copies of the final rule and the Board's press release are available from this Bank's Public Affairs Department by calling (214) 651-6289. The final rule also will be distributed in slip-sheet form at a later date for inclusion in your Regulations Binder. For more information regarding Regulation T, please contact Dean A. Pankonien of this Bank's Legal Department at (214) 651-6228.

Sincerely yours,

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