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**Notice 99-26**

*“A Year 2000 Readiness Disclosure”*

**TO:** The Chief Operating Officer of each  
financial institution and others concerned  
in the Eleventh Federal Reserve District

**SUBJECT**

**Century Date Change (CDC) Bulletin No. 7**

**DETAILS**

The Federal Reserve System has issued *Century Date Change Bulletin No. 7*. Titled *Guidance to Federal Reserve Customers on Risk Mitigation Planning for the Century Date Change*, this bulletin is the first of two planned this year on CDC contingency planning. The bulletin includes the following:

- A description of the Federal Reserve’s approach to CDC business resumption contingency planning, which provides you with a better understanding of our strategies and plans;
- Examples of the risk mitigation actions we are taking to prepare for century rollover and related critical dates; and,
- Practical guidance and suggestions for similar risk mitigation activities that could be useful for our customers. The guidance and suggestions include specific actions you may take in 1999 to reduce the risk and/or impact of problems during the century rollover with the core business processes you conduct with the Federal Reserve.

Please read this bulletin carefully and work to ensure that your institution has adequate contingency plans related to your use of Federal Reserve services in place well in advance of the Year 2000. There are many steps you can take now to reduce the impact or lessen the likelihood of failure. Setting up viable processing alternatives, however, may require advance work with the Federal Reserve. Therefore, we urge you to assess your needs and work with us well before the end of the year.

*CDC Bulletin No. 8*, planned for September 1999, will provide you with a complete picture of what the Federal Reserve has planned for the century rollover weekend. Also, it will present information on how you can participate in health checks on Saturday, January 1, 2000, with some of our most critical systems, such as Funds Transfer and the National Book-Entry System.

**ENCLOSURE**

Enclosed is a copy of *Century Date Change Bulletin No. 7*.

**MORE INFORMATION**

If you have questions regarding the information in this bulletin, please contact your local Fedline Customer Services Help Desk at one of the following numbers:

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Sincerely,

