FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF NEW YORK

Fiscal Agent of the United States

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UNITED STATES SAVINGS STAMPS

Acceptance in Payment of Savings Bonds

To All Issuing Agents in the Second Federal Reserve District Qualified for Sale of United States Savings Bonds, Series E:

At the close of the year 1953, the Post Office Department discontinued the window sales at most post offices of United States Savings bonds to individuals. Post offices are continuing, however, to sell and redeem United States Savings stamps. We have been informed by the Treasury Department that an individual presenting Savings stamps for a Savings bond at a post office that no longer issues bonds can redeem the stamps for cash at the post office and present the cash to a bank or other issuing agent in payment for the bond, or the stamps may be presented to a bank or other issuing agent for this purpose.

Issuing agents accepting Savings stamps may send them to us in remittance for bond sales and should account for them by inserting on Form 1787 (Remittance for and Report of Sales of United States Savings Bonds, Series E) in the space provided for method of payment, the following: "United States Savings Stamps \$....." The stamps may be included in a package containing bond stubs and forwarded as insured mail treated as registered mail. Stamps shipped in this manner will be at the risk of the United States and covered under the Government Losses in Shipment Act, as amended, provided all stamps are cancelled thoroughly in a manner that will not make verification difficult, and provided the issuing agent's dating stamp is impressed on the back of the card or album to which the stamps are affixed. Stamps may be cancelled either by perforation, or by a cancelling stamp with nonwashable black ink.

The Treasury has asked us to solicit your cooperation in accepting Savings stamps in payment for bonds.

Additional copies of this circular will be furnished upon request.

ALLAN SPROUL,

President.