

## **OCC ALERT**

Comptroller of the Currency Administrator of National Banks

Subject: Fraud Prevention Regarding the Issuance of Tax Relief Treasury Checks

TO: Chief Executive Officers of All National Banks; All State Banking Authorities; Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Conference of State Bank Supervisors; Deputy Comptrollers (Districts); Assistant Deputy Comptrollers; District Counsel and Examining Personnel

**RE:** U.S. Secret Service - Financial Crimes Division Memorandum

Attached is a copy of the Department of the Treasury, U.S. Secret Service – Financial Crimes Division memorandum alerting financial institutions and others who negotiate U.S. Treasury checks to the possibility of fraud associated with the issuance of Tax Relief Treasury checks. The memorandum also addresses measures that can be taken to prevent possible fraud.

Any information which you may have concerning this matter should be brought to the attention of local law enforcement, and:

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