

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SERVICE WASHINGTON, D.C. 20227

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Dear Federal Agency CA\$HLINK II User:

I am writing to share some important information about near-term changes to Treasury's deposit reporting processes. The Financial Management Service (FMS) will shut down the CA\$HLINK II application on December 31, 2012. With that date growing near, we are beginning the transition away from CA\$HLINK II and I want to share some details of that transition that may be relevant to your agency.

The shutdown of CA\$HLINK II will occur after current CA\$HLINK II processes have been migrated to successor systems and deposit reporting processes now in CA\$HLINK II have completely moved to the new Transaction Reporting System (TRS). TRS provides a single touch-point for deposit reporting at both the summary voucher level and the detail transaction level. It also supports the reporting of classification information for FMS's Governmentwide Accounting (GWA) modernization initiative.

Although some of the specifics in this letter may be unfamiliar, I trust that the planned deactivation of CA\$HLINK II does not come as a surprise. Over the last few years, we have kept you informed of the planned shutdown of CA\$HLINK II. In early 2010, I sent you an email stating the CA\$HLINK II sunset date of December 2012 and also noting that TRS was in production and in use by agencies. The December 2012 shutdown date was also mentioned in two memoranda from the FMS Commissioner to agency CFOs and Deputy CFOs in January 2011 and March 2012. Additionally, there have been numerous webinars, conferences and correspondences (including the CA\$HLINK II: Countdown to Shutdown newsletters) informing CA\$HLINK II users of important transition information. More background information is available at fms.treas.gov/cashlink/index.html.

Voucher Corrections

Some pieces of CA\$HLINK II's functionality are being transitioned to other FMS systems and shut down in CA\$HLINK II, before the shutdown of the entire system. One such transition involves CA\$HLINK II's ability to make after-the-fact corrections to the Agency Location Code (ALC), voucher number, and voucher date of deposit vouchers. Currently, agencies can access CA\$HLINK II to correct the voucher date and voucher number, as well as request a correction to the ALC associated with a voucher (which must be subsequently approved by FMS). This functionality has been used relatively infrequently. It is being phased out in favor of a process that will be managed by the collection programs that process revenue collections for your agency. Instead of using CA\$HLINK II to perform one of these changes, you will contact a customer service representative for the associated collection program who will initiate the change on your behalf. For example, if you currently use CA\$HLINK II to enter your voucher date corrections for your over the counter collections, you will contact OTCnet to make voucher date corrections on your behalf.

The CA\$HLINK II Team will remove this voucher correction functionality from CA\$HLINK II by account type, according to the schedule below. Consistent with information that FMS published earlier this summer, this has already occurred for some account types that primarily are associated with disbursements. Agencies may call these points of contact today to initiate changes. Agencies also should not contact GWA to make changes. GWA will be turning off their ability to make these changes on December 31, 2012.

CA\$HLINK II Account Type	Date Voucher Correction Functionality Will Be Turned Off in CA\$HLINK II	Point of Contact
FRB ACH	June 30, 2012 (Completed)	(816) 414-2340 PIR.Agency.Outreach@fms.treas.gov
FRB PMO	June 30, 2012 (Completed)	(816) 414-2340 PIR.Agency.Outreach@fms.treas.gov
FRB FS	June 30, 2012 (Completed)	(816) 414-2340 PIR.Agency.Outreach@fms.treas.gov
FRB ASAP	June 30, 2012 (Completed)	(816) 414-2340 PIR.Agency.Outreach@fms.treas.gov
FRB ITS	June 30, 2012 (Completed)	(816) 414-2340 PIR.Agency.Outreach@fms.treas.gov
FRB MiscCr	June 30, 2012 (Completed)	(816) 414-2340 PIR.Agency.Outreach@fms.treas.gov
FRB MiscDr	June 30, 2012 (Completed)	(816) 414-2340 PIR.Agency.Outreach@fms.treas.gov
StoredValu (Navy Cash)	September 24, 2012	(866) 362-8922 NavyCash@ezpaymt.com
CreditCard	September 24, 2012	(866) 914-0558
CreditCard (using Pay.gov)	September 24, 2012	cardacquiringservice@fms.treas.gov (800) 624-1373
FRB Paygov	September 30, 2012	pay.gov.clev@clev.frb.org (800) 624-1373
FRB EFTPS	September 30, 2012	<u>pay.gov.clev@clev.frb.org</u> (866) 684-6556
FRB PCC	September 30, 2012	eftps_ach_ops@firstdata.com (866) 945-7920
FRB EagleC	September 30, 2012	FMS.OTCChannel@citi.com (877) 973-8982
		<u>eagle@bos.frb.org</u> (877) 973-8982
FRB EZPay	September 30, 2012	<u>ezpay@bos.frb.org</u> (866) 945-7920
FRB Speci	September 30, 2012	FMS.OTCChannel@citi.com (866) 945-7920
FRB Checks	September 30, 2012	<u>FMS.OTCChannel@citi.com</u>
TGA	October 27, 2012	(866) 945-7920 <u>FMS.OTCChannel@citi.com</u>
ITGA	October 27, 2012	(866) 945-7920 FMS.OTCChannel@citi.com
LB General	October 27, 2012	(866) 945-7920 FMS.OTCChannel@citi.com
LB ACH	October 27, 2012	(866) 945-7920 FMS.OTCChannel@citi.com
FRB ECP	October 27, 2012	(866) 855-5735 FMS.MCA@citi.com

Scheduled Downloads

In addition to the voucher correction changes, there are upcoming changes to the CA\$HLINK II scheduled downloads for Fedwire Messages and REX ACH Queries. As of September 30, 2012, users will no longer be able to use the schedule download function of CA\$HLINK II to download Agency Fedwire Message or REX ACH Query files. The last CA\$HLINK II business cycle for September that runs on September 28, 2012, will produce the last scheduled download for Agency Fedwire Message files and will produce the last automatically generated REX ACH file. Agency users can download these files on Monday, October 1, 2012. Starting October 1, CA\$HLINK II will no longer produce the daily REX ACH scheduled download files and will no longer produce Agency Fedwire Message files in the nightly processing cycle. Instead, this information will be provided exclusively through TRS.

If your agency downloads files from CA\$HLINK II and uploads these files into an internal agency system, and you have not confirmed your business process transition with the TRS Agency Outreach Team, please contact them at TRSAgencyOutreach@pnc.com as soon as possible for more information. Agencies must ensure that their CA\$HLINK II to TRS transition projects that utilize CA\$HLINK II data files are completed in a timely manner, to avoid disruption of the agency's business process.

If you have any questions concerning the CA\$HLINK II shutdown, and your agency's transition to TRS for Deposit Reporting, please contact the TRS Agency Outreach Team at TRSAgencyOutreach@pnc.com.

Thank you for your support and cooperation.

Sincerely,

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