FedACH Risk Management Services

The FedACH Risk Management Services product suite provides financial institutions with tools to help mitigate ACH risk.

- Provides online access via multiple FedLine® Solutions with no additional technical implementation required
- Provides monitoring and alert notification for depositing financial institutions (DFIs) and account holders whether originating or receiving ACH payments
- Streamlines ACH risk monitoring by fulfilling components of your risk management strategy within FedACH® Services technology
- Provides the DFI both transparency and control in ACH whether the processing occurs in the DFI’s back office or remotely

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Available via the FedLine Web® or FedLine Advantage® Solutions, the FedACH Risk Management Services product suite includes four easy-to-use risk mitigation tools.

- FedACH Risk Origination Monitoring Service provides originating depository financial institutions (ODFIs) enhanced control, flexibility and automated ease in monitoring ACH risk
- FedACH Risk RDFI Alert Service provides notice of unusual or noteworthy conditions within a receiving depository financial institution’s (RDFI) FedACH files or batches or in a receiver’s items
- FedACH Risk Returns Reporting Service gives ODFIs the ability to produce ad hoc reports of unauthorized or administrative returns by originator for a single day or up to 10 processing days within the previous 60 business days
- FedDetect Anomaly Notification for FedACH Services provides timely, encrypted email notifications of atypical ACH activity for the current day, allowing DFIs to address concerns

FedACH Risk Origination Monitoring Service

Powerful Control and Customization

The FedACH Risk Origination Monitoring Service allows ODFIs to:

- Monitor ACH batches associated with selected routing transit numbers (RTNs) or Company IDs
- Control ACH payments originated by your customers over a single or multiple processing days regardless of the network entry point or your ACH software
- Tailor and self-administer the monitoring criteria to reflect your particular risk management strategies and customer profiles

Comprehensive Online Monitoring Capabilities

Through its online, self-service, customized monitoring features, the service lets you choose ways to set and control debit and credit caps, end-of-day defaults and monitoring time frames.

The service offers options to monitor accumulated totals at the batch level.
FedACH Risk RDFI Alert Service

Strong Risk Alert Management
- Provides notice of unusual conditions, such as potential fraud attempts and/or significant origination errors, within an RDFI’s incoming FedACH batches and/or files and/or within the receiver’s items
- Sends near-simultaneous file- and batch-level alerts when the Federal Reserve Banks transmit a file, even if you use a processor that does not distribute your files to your institution until later in the day
- Monitors incoming FedACH activity without interfering with or delaying payments processing
- Allows you to set batch- or item-level alert parameters using combinations of up to eight fields in the ACH record. Any condition satisfying pre-set parameters triggers email alerts

FedACH Risk Returns Reporting Service

Easy and Affordable Returns Report Access
Helps ODFIs identify potential ACH fraud or problem accounts.
- Provides the ability to obtain reports listing returns, whether unauthorized or administrative, for any originator with even a single return for a single day or up to 10 processing days within the previous 60 business days
- Allows simple access from within FedACH Information Services via multiple FedLine Solutions packages, all with turnkey functionality

FedDetect Anomaly Notification for FedACH Services

Timely Notifications of Atypical Activity
Helps financial institutions to monitor for unusual FedACH activity.
- Provides the ability to be notified when atypical activity for the current day is identified by using established baselines for your historical activity or by comparing your ACH transactions to industry rules
- Sends timely, encrypted email notifications when anomalies are detected, allowing you to address concerns
- Allows you to adhere to Nacha rules around notifications of change and help avoid future rule violations

Use cases:
- Notifications of change (NOC): Improve your operations by monitoring when your institution receives the same NOC more than once, outside of prescribed Nacha-designated change timeframes
- Same-day debit large dollar variance: Gain insight on your Fed account when unusual high-dollar debit batches will settle on the current processing day in the final same-day window
- Micro-entry return and forward entries: Monitor velocity of return/forward micro-entries for originators that use small-dollar entries for account verification purposes

The FedACH Advantage

Federal Reserve Financial Services is the nation’s largest ACH operator, with more than 40 years of experience and ACH expertise. As a leader in electronic access to services, we are committed to developing innovative options to meet your changing needs. Our combination of high dependability, security and innovation enables you to provide the best ACH services to your customers.

Where Can I Get More Information?
To learn more about FedACH Risk Management Services, visit the Contact page on FRBservices.org® for contact information for your relationship manager.