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### **Federal Reserve Banks Announce Changes to Check Adjustment Case Requirements and Edits**

The Federal Reserve Banks are planning changes in the second quarter of 2017 to Check Adjustment requirements and edits to eliminate several investigation types (ITYPs) and two message types (MTYPs) that are outdated and have minimal usage. In addition, a new deadline for receiving same day entry or same day acknowledgement for electronic adjustments submitted via the FedLine Web<sup>®</sup> and FedLine Advantage<sup>®</sup> access solutions will be implemented.

The effective date for these changes will be announced in the first quarter of 2017, and the changes will be reflected in the online [Check Adjustments Quick Reference Guide](#) on their effective dates.

#### ***What does this mean to you?***

- The 11 ITYPs, listed below, will be retired. If a retired ITYP is received in an electronic adjustment file, the individual message will reject, allowing the message to be corrected from the Outbox-Unsent/Rejects feature in the Check Adjustments application. FedLine<sup>®</sup> messages for retired ITYPs will remain viewable after the effective date, but no new cases can be sent to or from the Federal Reserve Banks.
  - Advice Request (AREQ)
  - Enclosed Not Listed (ENL)
  - Expedited Recredit (EXRC)
  - Extra Bundle (EBDL)
  - Extra Cash Letter (ECL)
  - Extra Cash Letter Credit (ECLC)
  - Free Item (FREE)
  - Incorrect Cash Letter Credit (ICLC)
  - Late Cash Letter Credit (LCLC)
  - Listing Error (LST)
  - Missing Bundle (MBDL)
- Two MTYPs, Status Inquiry (CA4000) and Status Inquiry Response (CA6000) will be retired. If a file containing a message with a retired MTYP is uploaded using FedLine access solution, the file will upload successfully and the message(s) with the retired MTYP(s) will be rejected. The [Check Adjustments Automated Status Report](#) will continue to be available as a menu option under the Import/Export feature in the Check Adjustments application. This report identifies the status of cases pending with the Federal Reserve Banks.
- Documents-to-follow (DTFs) will become Not Allowed for the Encoding Error (ENC) ITYP.
- The deadline for Check Adjustments to be submitted to the Federal Reserve Banks and receive same day entry or acknowledgement will change to 5:00 p.m. ET.
- A table describing all the changes above and additional changes to various edit routines is included with this letter.

An updated [Check Adjustments Application File Specifications Requirements document](#) reflecting these changes will be posted on FRBServices.org for customers submitting adjustment requests using the file upload process in a FedLine access solution.

Contact FedACH and Check Customer Support at (877) 372-2457 with any questions as well as to schedule testing for upload files.

## Recap of Changes

<b>Investigation Type and Message Type Changes</b>		
	<b>Current Status</b>	<b>Pending Changes</b>
Investigation Types (ITYP)	<p>The following ITYPs can be submitted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advice Request (AREQ)</li> <li>• Enclosed Not Listed (ENL)</li> <li>• Expedited Recredit (EXRC)</li> <li>• Extra Bundle (EBDL)</li> <li>• Extra Cash Letter (ECL)</li> <li>• Extra Cash Letter Credit (ECLC)</li> <li>• Free Item (FREE)</li> <li>• Incorrect Cash Letter Credit (ICLC)</li> <li>• Late Cash Letter Credit (LCLC)</li> <li>• Listing Error (LST)</li> <li>• Missing Bundle (MBDL)</li> </ul>	<p>These ITYPs will no longer be accepted.</p> <p>If a file containing a retired ITYP is uploaded using FedLine, the message will reject and must be updated to an eligible ITYP before sending.</p> <p>FedLine Messages for retired ITYPs will remain viewable after the effective date.</p> <p>If an adjustment is needed for a retired ITYP, an Information Request (INFO) can be submitted with detail information provided in the comments.</p>
Message Types (MTYP)	<p>The following MTYPs can be submitted in FedLine:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Status Inquiry (CA4000)</li> <li>• Status Inquiry Response (CA6000)</li> </ul>	<p>These MTYPs will no longer be accepted.</p> <p>If a file containing a message(s) with a retired MTYP is uploaded using FedLine, the file will upload successfully and the message(s) with retired MTYP(s) will reject.</p>
Encoding Error (ENC)	DTF is Optional	DTF is Not Allowed.
Listed Not Enclosed (LNE)	Request for debit is allowed	<p>Request for debit will no longer be allowed.</p> <p>If additional information is needed on a paper deposit, an Information Request (INFO) may be submitted with an explanation in the comments field.</p>
Missing Cash Letter (MCL)	Tape Total (TT) is Not Allowed	Tape Total (TT) will be an optional field.
Cut-off time for the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta	Electronic adjustment requests must be received by 6:00 p.m. ET to receive same day entry or same day acknowledgment	Electronic adjustment requests must be received by 5:00 p.m. ET to receive same day entry or same day acknowledgment
Cut-off time for all other Federal Reserve Banks	Electronic adjustment requests must be received by 3:00 p.m. local Federal Reserve Bank time to receive same day entry or same day acknowledgment	Electronic adjustment requests must be received by 5:00 p.m. ET to receive same day entry or same day acknowledgment