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Same Day ACH Testing Begins June 28, 2016

To All FedACH® Services Customers:

On September 23, 2015, the Federal Reserve Board announced its [approval](#) of changes to FedACH® Services in support of NACHA's Same Day ACH Rule that was passed in May 2015.

The rule will enable the same-day processing and settlement of qualified ACH payments. The first phase of implementation, effective September 23, 2016, will restrict same-day ACH entries to credit and non-monetary only.

In preparation for phase 1 implementation of Same Day ACH, customer testing will be available **beginning on June 28, 2016 and continuing through September 2, 2016**. ACH file testing will be supported Tuesday through Friday 9AM ET to 5PM ET. If you would like to extend your testing to the FRB Account Management Information (AMI) system, additional test windows have been identified and your AMI testing will be coordinated directly with your institution at the time of your Same Day ACH testing.

Customers interested in testing should submit a test request form **at least one week in advance of your desired test window**. Testing will require participants to send and receive test files to validate back end processing. The FedACH test request form can be found at the following link:

<https://www.frb services.org/app/capture/survey.do?id=2209>.

A [testing support document](#) is posted in the [Same Day ACH resource center](#), located at FRBservices.org, left-hand menu "Resource Centers and FAQs," "Same Day ACH." The document includes sections on the following:

- **Same Day ACH Key Changes Recap** – This section explains some of the key changes related to Same Day ACH.
- **FedACH Processing Schedule** – This section shows the transmission windows, target distribution times and settlement schedules to be effective upon the phase 1 implementation of NACHA's Same Day ACH Rule.
- **Tips and Tools for Settlement** – This section provides tips and tools to assist your institution in balancing your ACH transactions during the new settlement windows.

Additional information regarding this project can be found on the [Same Day ACH Resource Center](#).

Please contact FedACH and Check Services Customer Support at (877) 372-2457 with questions. We appreciate your support and look forward to continuing to provide you with high-quality and efficient payments services.