

## **Certification Practice Statement Fact Sheet**

The Federal Reserve Banks now issue digital certificates relating to FedLine® access solutions through two Certification Authorities. Each Certification Authority (“CA”) has its own Certification Practice Statement (“CPS”), which is applicable to digital certificates it has issued. Each CPS can be accessed from the links below:

- [Federal Reserve Banks' Certification Authority \(FR-CA\) Certification Practice Statement - v. 1.8](#) (PDF, Effective 07/08/14)
- [Certification Practice Statement of the Federal Reserve Banks' Services PKI – v. 1.1](#) (PDF, Effective 07/08/14)

The first Federal Reserve Banks’ (“FRBs”) CA – known as the Federal Reserve Banks’ Certification Authority – has been used extensively for many FedLine Services since 1999. The FRBs introduced a second CA in 2012 – known as the Federal Reserve Banks’ Services CA – which is being used to issue digital certificates for various FedLine services including, but not limited to, services available over the FedLine Web® and FedLine Advantage® access solutions. The FRBs’ Services CA was put in place to accommodate enhanced digital certificate management functionality. The FRBs plan to eventually issue all digital certificates for FedLine® access solutions from the new CA. However, until further notice, certificates for the FedLine Direct® and FedLine Command® access solutions will continue to be issued from the FRBs’ CA. The migration from the FRBs’ CA to the FRBs’ Services CA is expected to span several years in order to minimize the impact to our customers.

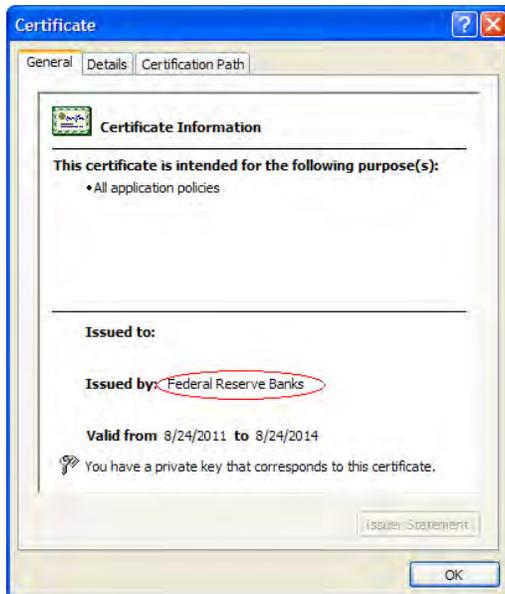
### **If you are uncertain which CA issued your certificate and what CPS applies, please review the instructions below.**

If you currently have a certificate issued from the Federal Reserve Banks, there are a few ways to find out which CA, and thus which CPS, applies to you.

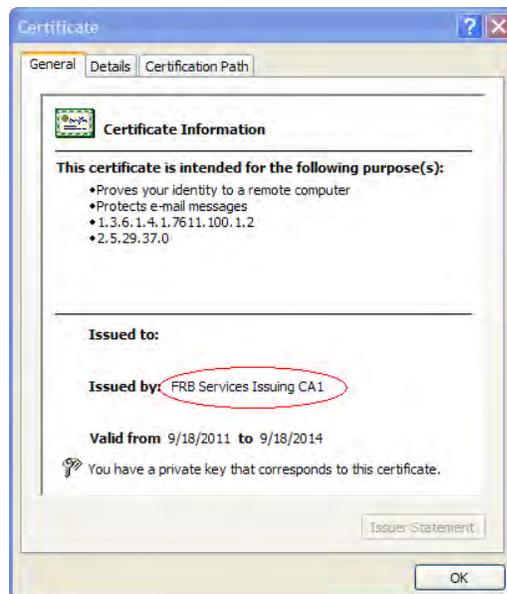
If you are a FedLine Web or FedLine Advantage Subscriber and your certificate was issued prior to April 30, 2012, your certificate was issued from the FRBs’ CA. If you are a FedLine Web or FedLine Advantage Subscriber and your certificate was issued on or after April 30, 2012, your certificate was issued from the FRBs’ Services CA.

You can determine which CA issued your certificate by following the instructions below:

1. If you use a token to access services, insert the token and authenticate as usual. If you do not use a token, move to step 2.
2. Open Internet Explorer® (IE).
3. From the IE menu, select Tools (this may also appear as an icon in the shape of a gear),
4. From the dropdown menu, select Internet Options,
5. Select the Content tab,
6. Click on the Certificates button,
7. Under the Personal tab, select your certificate.



Federal Reserve Banks' CA



Federal Reserve Banks' Services CA

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