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FDIC's *Supervisory Insights* Winter Edition Focuses on LIBOR

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) today issued the Winter 2018 issue of *Supervisory Insights*, which includes an article examining the future of, and alternatives to, the London Inter-bank Offered Rate (LIBOR).

LIBOR is a popular reference rate for commercial loans, residential mortgages, derivatives and swaps, and other credit instruments. While LIBOR often is viewed as a reference rate used by larger financial institutions, it is also important to smaller community banks and savings institutions. Initiatives are underway that could transition financial markets away from the use of LIBOR as a reference rate after 2021.

"The FDIC recognizes that the potential move away from or reduced use of LIBOR may result in some adjustments for financial institutions that have the rate embedded in contracts," said Doreen R. Eberley, Director, FDIC Division of Risk Management Supervision. "'Transitions in Financial Instrument Reference Rates' explores alternative reference rates and planning considerations for a potential change."

This issue of *Supervisory Insights* also includes a "Regulatory and Supervisory Roundup" section, which provides an overview of recently released regulations and other items of interest.

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