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INDYMAC FEDERAL BANK, FSB Official Checks

Summary: The FDIC is issuing clarification for payment of IndyMac official checks.

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Highlights:

There have been reports that some financial institutions are refusing to honor or are placing excessive holds on IndyMac's official checks as customers attempt to deposit them.

Your bank should honor IndyMac's official checks, such as cashier's checks, to the same extent that your bank honors any other bank's official checks. We request that your bank consider processing these checks as official bank checks and local items for clearing purposes.

IndyMac Federal Bank, FSB, was created to continue to provide banking services in communities served by the former IndyMac Bank, F.S.B. The FDIC is managing IndyMac Federal Bank, FSB, as a newly chartered FDIC-insured institution opened Monday, July 14th. It is business as usual.

The fact is that for insured depositors the formation of IndyMac Federal Bank, FSB is largely a non-event. IndyMac's insured customers continued to have access to their insured deposits through ATMs, debit cards, and writing checks over the last weekend, and they continue to have access since IndyMac Federal opened on Monday morning.