

Suspicious Activity Reporting

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TO: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

SUBJECT: Guidance for Financial Institutions on Reporting Computer-Related Crimes

The Federal Bureau of Investigation, working with FDIC staff, other federal banking agency representatives and other federal law enforcement agencies, developed the attached guidance for reporting, in Suspicious Activity Reports (SARs), violations of the federal criminal statute relating to computer crimes, 18 U.S.C. Sec. 1030 (Fraud and Related Activity in Connection with Computers).

The guidance is intended to facilitate timely and accurate reporting of apparent violations of 18 U.S.C. Sec. 1030 to law enforcement and bank supervisory agencies. The document describes the provisions of the law and gives some examples of conduct that may violate it. Instructions on how to report violations in a SAR are also included.

Please ensure that all personnel in your organization responsible for reporting suspicious activity receive the attached guidance immediately. If you have any questions, please contact your FDIC Division of Supervision Regional Office.

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Attachment: (see below)

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