



SPECIAL ALERT

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TO: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
SUBJECT: Counterfeit Cashier's Checks and Altered Cashier's Checks

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) has learned that counterfeit cashier's checks and altered cashier's checks drawn on **Mid City Bank, Inc., Omaha, Nebraska**, are in circulation. The items bear the routing number 104000870. Attached for your information are a copy of one of the counterfeit instruments and a copy of one of the altered instruments. The counterfeit item shown on the attachment was deposited by an unsuspecting customer who accepted the item as payment for an automobile. Banks should encourage their customers to verify the validity of cashier's checks before releasing any merchandise or before sending a part of the proceeds of the checks to any third party.

Any information you have about this matter should be brought to the attention of:

Mr. Kenneth A. Grigsby, Sr.
Senior Vice President
Mid City Bank, Inc.
304 South 42nd Street
Omaha, Nebraska 68131
Telephone: (402) 558-8000
Fax: (402) 558-2996

Counterfeit cashier's checks drawn on **Heritage Bank, Great Falls, Montana**, also are in circulation. The items bear the routing number 092902983. Attached for your information are a copy of one of the bank's legitimate cashier's checks and a copy of one of the counterfeit instruments.

Any information you have about this matter should be brought to the attention of:

Ms. Deana Novosel
Teller Supervisor
Heritage Bank
120 1st Avenue North
Great Falls, Montana 59403
Telephone: (406) 727-6106
Fax: (406) 727-0086

Information about these instruments also may be forwarded to the FDIC's Special Activities Section, 550 17th Street, NW, Room F-6012, Washington, DC 20429, or transmitted electronically to alert@fdic.gov.

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Director

Attachments: (not available electronically)

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