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The Federal Reserve is providing an update regarding the new requirements for submitting Automated Loan Deposit (ALD) collateral reports for Discount Window lending and Payment System Risk purposes affecting select institutions, beginning in May 2019 and targeted to take effect in 2020. This announcement provides more details for complying with these requirements.

What is changing?

As announced on November 28, 2017, the Federal Reserve will begin incorporating additional loan fields in ALD collateral reports submitted by select depository institutions to be used to calculate margins and internal fair market value estimates for loan collateral pledged to the Federal Reserve. To facilitate this effort, certain “in-scope” institutions will be required to provide additional loan fields in a new format in their ALD collateral reports. An updated final detailed list of the additional loan fields, along with definitions, can be found in the ALD Collateral Requirements Definitions. The new requirements support the Federal Reserve’s effort to assign more precise fair market value estimates to pledged loans.

Does my institution need to take action?

The following institutions are considered “in-scope” and will be required to submit the additional loan fields, beginning in May 2019:

- All depository institutions that are underneath a bank holding company (including a financial holding company) or an intermediate holding company with greater than $50 billion in total consolidated assets, which is defined as the average over the last four calendar quarters
- All foreign banking organizations
- All other domestic institutions with greater than $50 billion in total consolidated assets, which is defined as the average over the last four calendar quarters
Institutions that met the “in-scope” definition as of November 28, 2017, have already been contacted to ensure awareness of the new requirements. If your institution becomes “in-scope,” the Federal Reserve will contact you at that time to inform you of the need to comply with the new requirements. However, your institution may voluntarily participate in the new ALD collateral reporting requirements at any time. Please contact your local Discount Window collateral staff in order to pursue this option.

Institutions that are not required to submit additional loan fields and do not voluntarily participate do not need to take any action and should continue to submit their ALD collateral reports in the current format.

Questions regarding the new ALD collateral report submission requirements can be sent to SYS.ALD.Info@bos.frb.org. Institutions may also contact their Federal Reserve Bank’s Discount Window collateral staff with other inquiries.

**When are the new ALD collateral reports required to be submitted?**

As of May 2018, depository institutions will have 12 months to ensure that they are able to provide the required loan fields. Beginning in May 2019, “in-scope” depository institutions must submit both their existing ALD collateral report as well the new ALD collateral report with the additional loan fields. The existing ALD collateral report will be used for valuation and margining purposes, while the new ALD collateral report with the additional loan fields will be used to test and calibrate the new margins and internal fair market value estimates. Once this is completed, the new ALD collateral reports will then be used to assign collateral values. The date this takes effect will be announced in a subsequent communication. The dual loan file submission process is expected to last approximately 18 months, after which only the new ALD collateral report with the additional fields will need to be submitted. The new ALD collateral report submission requirements can be found on the New ALD Collateral Requirements page of the Discount Window website.

**How should new ALD collateral reports be formatted and transmitted to the Federal Reserve?**

“In-scope” institutions required to submit the new ALD collateral report with the additional loan fields will need to develop a new file for each pledged loan type (with the exception of credit...
card loan files, as discussed in the February 6, 2018, communication). These files should be submitted in an approved method of secure transmission. Guidance on constructing the files, along with an enhanced set of data definitions that provide specific information on loan field formatting requirements, can be found on the New ALD Collateral Requirements page of the Discount Window website. The new ALD collateral reports should be transmitted at the same frequency and with the same “as-of” date that existing ALD collateral reports are today.

Institutions that are not required to submit any additional loan fields do not need to make any changes to their ALD collateral report submission practices. Institutions submitting additional loan fields can find information in the New ALD File Format Specifications document.

**How will collateral values be affected for institutions that are not required to comply with the new ALD collateral reporting requirements?**

The Federal Reserve utilizes the same internal model to derive values for all loan collateral pledged by any institution. Institutions that are not required to comply with the new ALD collateral reporting requirements will receive values based on the newly-required loan fields provided by the “in-scope” institutions. These values, in addition to the loan fields that are currently reported to the Federal Reserve, will be used to assign margins and internal fair market value estimates for pledged loans. This change will take effect once the testing and calibration of margins and internal fair market value estimates are complete.

**Where can I get more information?**

Please review the related announcement on the Discount Window & Payment System Risk website or contact your Reserve Bank’s Discount Window collateral staff for additional information. Questions regarding the new ALD collateral report requirements can be sent to SYS.ALD.Info@bos.frb.org.