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Check 21 Operations Freeze October 25 - 26, 2008

The Federal Reserve Banks' Check 21 Services will not be available between **12:01 a.m. ET** Saturday, October 25, 2008, and **11 a.m. ET** Sunday October 26, 2008. The freeze period is necessary to conduct a national contingency test. During the test, Check 21 files will not be processed and file acknowledgements will not be generated. Check 21 files normally deposited during this period will need to be sent after the test is completed, which is expected to be after **11 a.m. ET** Sunday, October 26, 2008. Additional information will be communicated via E-mail Alert Notifications and **FRBservices.org**.

Please contact the Check 21 Customer Support Center at 800-762-0713 with any questions regarding this freeze period. We appreciate your patience as we conduct these tests.