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CFPB Issues Final Remittance Rule (Amendment to Regulation E) and Concurrent Proposed Rule and Request for Comment

The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) is amending Regulation E, which implements the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and the official interpretation to the regulation, which interprets the requirements of Regulation E. Effective one year after publication in the Federal Register, which is expected shortly, the final rule provides new protections, including disclosures and error resolution and cancellation rights, to consumers who send remittance transfers to other consumers or businesses in a foreign country. The amendment implements the statutory requirements set forth in the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act.

In addition to the final rule, the CFPB is also seeking public comment on whether to make changes to the rule. Specifically, the CFPB is requesting comment on changes regarding:

- An exemption for companies that do not provide remittance transfers in the normal course of their business.
- How to apply the rules when a consumer schedules a remittance transfer many days in advance.

Resources

For those with technical regulatory questions and/or those wishing to submit a comment on the proposed rule, contact information for the CFPB is listed in the final rule and the concurrent notice of proposed rule and request for comment. Both documents can be found at the [CFPB's website](#).

The Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis has also established a regulatory reform rules website that tracks the progress of more than 200 proposals and rules that will be written by the various Federal agencies to implement the Dodd-Frank Act. The site is located at: <http://www.stlouisfed.org/regreformrules/>.

Additional Information

All circulars and documents are available on the Internet through the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco's website, at <http://www.frbsf.org/banking/letters>.

For additional information regarding the Federal Reserve's supervisory expectations with regard to these rules, please contact:

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