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Release 2.0

OTCnet Online Release 2.0 is now available! This release provides several new features and enhancements, including:

- New Classification Key (C-Key) function
- Updates to the CIRA CSV Report
- New Check Capture Adjustment, Correction, and Recession (ACR) Report

Additional information on this release can also be accessed by clicking or copying and pasting the following link into your web-browser: <http://www.fms.treas.gov/otcnet/releaseinfo.html>

Please note that in Release 2.0, all Agency Comments were manually re-entered into the application to ensure

that your agency continues to benefit from this feature. We encourage Check Capture Lead Operators and Supervisors to ensure that the appropriate Agency comment was entered for each of your agency endpoints. To do this, please reference the following Printable Job Aid by clicking or copying and pasting the following link into your web-browser: https://www.fms.treas.gov/otcnet/training/wbt/content/Isn534HTML2004/M/sims/pja_mod_otc_endpt_info.pdf

Additionally, in late Spring 2015, OTCnet Offline Release 2.0.1 will be unveiled, allowing offline users to benefit from the new features in Release 2.0. Further notice will be provided when this release is deployed.

CIRA CSV Updates

OTCnet Release 2.0 introduced changes to the CIRA CSV Report that may require your agency to take action.

The CIRA CSV Report now includes additional columns to display Adjusted, Corrected, and Rescission (ACR) transaction information, as well as *Sensitive But Unclassified* Headers and Footers. **If your agency uses the CIRA CSV file to feed OTCnet data into a secondary system, you will need to**

adjust the file to account for the new columns in the CIRA CSV Report.

After you adjust your file to account for the additional columns, the OTCnet Team recommends that you test the adjustments. To do so, use a sample file to feed data into your secondary system. If you would like to receive a sample file, please contact the OTCnet Deployment Team.

Release 2.1

In late Summer 2015, Release 2.1 will be made available and will provide users new features and enhancements that will better meet users' needs. This release will include multiple new features including new Deposit Reporting reports, a new Foreign Check Deposit Process, and an updated Foreign Currency code list.

The figure below includes additional information about these features:

Release 2.1 Features



Deposit and adjustment data will be archived based on voucher date. As a result, new historical reports will be added to allow agencies to download these archived deposits and adjustments that are older than 5 years



The Foreign Check Deposit process will be enhanced to display the current day's Exchange Rate and US dollar Equivalent amount allowing a user to reference this information prior to submitting for confirmation



The Foreign Currency code list for foreign check items will be updated to reflect currencies that are supported by Bank of America. This will prevent users from creating foreign check deposits with unsupported currency codes

Customer Service Representative of the Quarter: Tracy Limmer

What is your favorite OTCnet feature and why?

My favorite OTCnet feature would be the CIRA query option, where users that have the capability can search for any item that has been processed in OTCnet using a variety of search criteria. The query provides the image as well as all the related information about the transaction.

To access the CIRA query Printable Job Aid, please click or copy and paste the following link into your web-browser: https://www.fms.treas.gov/otcnet/training/wbt/content/Isn546HTML2004/M/sims/pja_view_cira_record.pdf

What is a helpful tip for OTCnet users?

There are several training options available to fit your learning style, including Printable Job Aids, User Guides, and interactive modules. These training materials can be accessed here: http://fms.treas.gov/otcnet/training/wbt/content/course_FMSOTC/index.htm.

System Compatibility

We are thrilled to announce that OTCnet will be fully compatible with Internet Explorer versions 10 and 11 in April 2016. In an effort to keep up with Microsoft service offerings and to prepare for this change, our team is working internally to ensure IE 10 and 11 has operational compatibility with OTCnet by Fall 2016.

Once IE 10 and 11 has operational compatibility with OTCnet, we encourage you to upgrade to IE 10 or 11. To upgrade Internet Explorer, a user with Windows Administrative privileges can:

1. Click Internet Explorer
2. Navigate to: <http://www.microsoft.com/en-us/download/internet-explorer.aspx>
3. Click the desired IE version
4. Click Download

Additionally, starting in April 2016, OTCnet will no longer support Windows XP and Vista. As such, we encourage you to install Windows 7. To do so, please contact please contact your agency's IT Team. Additionally, please reference your agency's policies and procedures prior to taking any action.

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OTCnet Reminder Board



User Recertification Process

Every year, the Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA) requires that all users with an account on a Treasury Web Application be re-certified. The Agency Primary Local Security Administrator (PLSA) and Agency Local Security Administrator (LSA) should have conducted this recertification by confirming agency users' accounts.

Users of recertified accounts should receive an email from ITIM that notifies him or her of the change and no further actions are necessary. Any account that is decertified will be deleted. Additionally, accounts that have been inactive for 90 days will also be deactivated. Users may also receive an email notification from ITIM of an actual account modification. For questions about an account modification, please contact your agency's PLSA or LSA.

Java 8 Compatibility

OTCnet is compatible with Java 8! **We recommended that the latest release of Java 8, 32-bit be maintained to ensure the highest level of security and functionality for your workstations.**

We recommend that agencies maintain Java 8, 32-bit; however, the OTCnet application is compatible with additional Java versions. To view the Java versions OTCnet is compatible with please access the OTCnet System Requirements document by clicking or by copying and pasting the following link into your web-browser: https://www.fms.treas.gov/otcnet/OTCnet_SysReq.pdf

If you have any additional questions, please contact OTCnet Customer Support.

Offline Security Certificate

A certificate configuration change is scheduled to occur on May 31, 2015. In order for OTCnet Offline to function with this certificate change, **offline users need to update every offline terminal with the new Gateway Security Certificate Update Installer by May 31, 2015.** Users that do not update with the new Gateway Security Certificate Update Installer will not be able to connect to the OTCnet server after May 31, 2015.



Your agency can update their Offline terminals by running the Gateway Security Certificate Update Installer (also called Security Update 1.5.0 in OTCnet). For detailed instructions, please click or copy and paste the following link into your web-browser: https://www.fms.treas.gov/otcnet/pja_download_install_OTCnet_Security_Update.pdf

Additional Information on the Gateway Security Certificate

Certificate File Format	File Name	File Installation
<ul style="list-style-type: none">The Gateway Security Certificate Update Installer is a small executable file that is quick and easy to install	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The Gateway Security Certificate Update Installer is named Security Update 1.5.0 in OTCnet	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Windows Administrator privileges are required to execute the installer on each terminal

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