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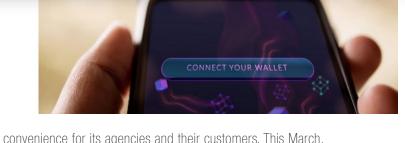
Revenue Collections Management is pleased to share our Spring 2025 newsletter.

Our focus in this issue is how Treasury is replacing the collection of paper transactions with convenient and secure electronic solutions. Contact us today if you are interested in adopting electronic collection methods, or to be provided with communication materials that promote electronic methods to your customers. Your input and feedback is always appreciated, and we look forward to connecting with many of you soon at upcoming events! So, let's get right into it and begin discovering the many ways the Bureau of the Fiscal Service is modernizing revenue collections and continues to move from paper to electronic.

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# Options with Venmo Pay gov is continuously on the lookout for ways to improve service and convenience for its agencies and their customers. This March, Pay.gov added Venmo—the popular and trusted digital payment service—to its digital wallet suite. The new payment option is available

Pay.gov Expands Digital Wallet



to federal agencies that use the Forms and eBilling services to collect payments not related to debt. Your agency and customers may already be familiar with Venmo, but here are some reasons it works well with Pay.gov. **Checkout is seamless** 

Integrated design means customers making Venmo payments on mobile devices will be directed to their Venmo account right from the Pay.gov payment page.



Reporting and refunding are familiar Venmo is a service of PayPal, and all Venmo transactions will be reported as PayPal transactions. Venmo

transactions are reported on all standard Pay.gov reports. If your agency currently accepts PayPal, you will

# Transactions are secure

Venmo uses multi-factor authentication for logins and encrypts all transactions to maximize the security of customer financial information.

see no changes in your current reporting structure. Any refunds can be issued by your agency staff.

# The best part? Adding Venmo requires no additional action from your agency; if your agency uses Pay.gov Forms or eBilling services to collect

payments not related to debt, Venmo has been automatically added, and agency contacts were notified. To learn more, please send a message to pay.gov@fiscal.treasury.gov.

The Collections Information Repository's

this effort, Business Objects will be replaced with a new reporting solution.

Future Reporting Solution for the Cloud Migration

The Collections Information Repository (CIR) is in the development phase of moving to a cloud environment. As part of

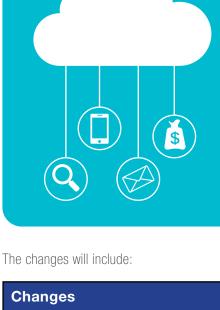
The expected production implementation date is October 1, 2025, followed by a migration period for agency users starting

# During the migration period, agencies will have ability to: Access the cloud environment.

Compare it to our current legacy environment. Participate in weekly demos for ongoing support.

Simpler navigation

**Impact** 



in early calendar year 2026.

Some of the benefits of this effort are:

Support of frequently used export formats (Excel, CSV and PDF)

Enhancements to the Scheduling Reports functionality

Reporting improvements – faster report generation

- 1. Users will need to become familiar with the new interface. Training and testing opportunities will be available as we get closer to the production deployment.

Approved Robotic Process Automation (RPA) tools will need to be reprogrammed to work

Reporting interface will

have a new look and feel.

### with the new reporting interface. Users relying on these tools will need to make changes accordingly once the new interface is deployed. Changes in column order of exported data in reports may affect the importing of files into **New CSV and Excel exports** internal systems or processes. Users relying on these exports will need to make changes accordingly once the new interface is deployed. For large volume exports, it is strongly suggested to switch to a System-to-System connection or Managed Extract Files. Contact the CIR team at Clev.OPS.Support@clev.frb.org for more information. Continue to monitor future communications so your agency can take part in the testing efforts. Your testing efforts can ensure a successful transition to the cloud environment. If you have any additional questions, please contact the CIR Customer Support Team at cir.customersupport@clev.frb.org We thank you in advance for your cooperation during this effort.

**LOOKING AHEAD** 

**Foundation for Success: OTCnet Training** 

onboarding, OTCnet updates, and current training offerings.

### The Over-the-Counter Channel (OTCnet) proudly serves over 100 government agencies, and no two are alike. Whether your agency is choosing to start the year with a no cash/no check policy or is planning to introduce card payments, OTCnet offers a range of customizable solutions to get

your agency to its electronic collection goals.

#### Training Tip: Log into OTCnet every 120 days to avoid deactivation! In OTCnet's previous identity management solution (ISIM), Fiscal Service Security required that all user accounts be disabled after 120 consecutive days of inactivity. Now that the transition from ISIM to SailPoint IdentityIQ is complete, the "Lifetime Rule" has resumed. After a four-month period of inactivity, the user's OTCnet entitlements will be automatically removed from their SailPoint identity, thus rendering the account inaccessible. To restore an impacted account, users should

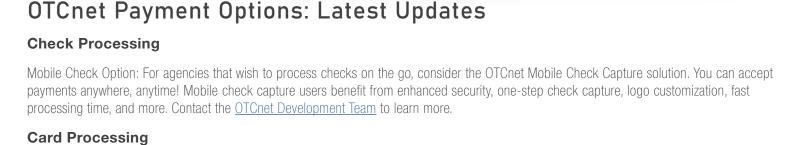
contact the OTCnet Customer Support Team at: FiscalService.OTCChannel@citi.com

Register to join and view the sessions here.

Discover Tomorrow's Solution with OTCnet Services

**OTCnet Refresher Webinar Series** The OTCnet series that addresses common pain points, offers training tips, and provides how-to instruction to help improve your performance in the application! The webinar presentations include live tutorials on how to successfully complete important OTCnet tasks. Additionally, the open Q&A session allows anyone to receive expert advice from the OTCnet Deployment Team.

Are you looking for a user-friendly OTCnet manual? Do you need help onboarding or troubleshooting an issue? The OTCnet Training Site offers user guides, step-by-step printable job aids, and tutorials for key OTCnet user roles. These resources are available to assist agencies, Financial Institutions (Fls), and the Federal Reserve Bank with a wide range of topics and user tasks. Our Training Resources offer user-friendly guidance for



The Verifone M440 model was chosen to ensure all terminals are PCI DSS compliant at the time of purchase. Additionally, it has the Secure Commerce Architecture (SCA) needed to secure card processing transactions. For more information, please refer to **Getting Started: Card Processing**. For agencies that own the Verifone

Release 4.12: On Saturday, March 1, 2025, OTCnet was updated to Release 4.12. This release includes enhanced system performance and security along with an upgraded OTCnet Local Bridge (OLB). Users can now schedule an asynchronous Collections Information Repository (CIR) File Status report and return later to download it, saving time and improving efficiency in the application. See the Release Notes for further details.

Verifone M440 Card Reader: OTCnet's card processing solution now supports the Verifone M440 multimedia card terminal with:

### MX925 device, payments can still be processed on OTCnet, but this model is no longer sold through Verifone. **Ensuring an Excellent Digital Experience: OTCnet's Latest Releases** In an effort to keep our systems up to date and provide the best experience possible, OTCnet is constantly

improving through our regular releases.



Card Aquiring Service (CAS) Contact Updates

program so that your account can be updated accordingly.

**Exemption from Credit Card Transaction Limits** 

High-definition color display

Full audio and video capabilities

Capacitive touch screen

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Questions or updates regarding POC management should be sent via email to <a href="mailto:CardAcquiringService@fiscal.treasury.gov">CardAcquiringService@fiscal.treasury.gov</a>.

The CAS program embarks on several agency-facing endeavors every year. To ensure we have the most up-to-date points of contact (POC) information for your agency, please take the time to review your card servicing account contacts at least twice annually (e.g., Chain, Merchant Identification Number (MID), and Billing POCs). If contacts change at your agency, it is important that this is promptly communicated to the

CAS maintains a maximum daily credit card limit of \$24,999.99 and a maximum monthly credit card limit of \$100,000. If an agency wants to process transactions that exceed either of these limits, they can request an exemption from the limits by contacting CAS. Agencies must reimburse the Bureau of the Fiscal Service for the cost of processing all transactions on exempted accounts. Intra-governmental Card Collections – who bears the cost?

# **Terminal End-of-life Status** The Ingenico iCT220 and VeriFone Vx520 terminals have reached end-of-life. These devices will become inoperable after

7065 of the Treasury Financial Manual or contact CAS.

August 15, 2025. If your agency is using one or both of these terminals, please contact CAS in order to prevent an interruption to your ability to process payments. For all inquiries, please contact <a href="mailto:CardAcquiringService@fiscal.treasury.gov">CardAcquiringService@fiscal.treasury.gov</a>.

Spring is the season for renewing and refreshing—don't forget your Pay.gov application contacts as you check off items on your spring cleaning

Late last year, the Pay.gov team undertook an initiative to ensure agency application contacts were current, accurate, and appropriate. The project

and positions.

ensuring you receive important communications

safeguarding against delays in any changes requested

One Last Thing! Don't Forget Your Pay.gov Contacts!

If you need assistance or have questions about your application's contacts, please email us at <u>Clev.eGov.Al.Contacts@clev.frb.org</u>.

But keeping contacts fresh is not a one-time project; it requires regular maintenance as agency members change roles, departments, So here's a friendly reminder: please review the contacts your agency has assigned to your Pay.gov applications. Maintaining contact list health is

confirming that the correct people are making decisions regarding your Pay.gov collection

# Moving from Paper (Cash/Check) Collections to Electronic Collections

Reminder!

To learn more please contact RCM at <a href="mailto:ARM@Fiscal.Treasury.gov">ARM@Fiscal.Treasury.gov</a> to discuss your agency's

For information about other Fiscal Service programs and services for federal agencies, contact: agency.outreach@fiscal.treasury.gov

Intra-governmental transactions (IGTs) occur when a federal agency pays another federal agency for a good or service. G-Invoicing is the preferred method of payment for IGTs. If necessary, agencies can use a GSA SmartPay card to make a payment to another federal agency, up to a \$10,000

transaction limit. When this occurs, the agency accepting the IGT via credit card is solely responsible for the costs associated with processing the transaction, including interchange, processing fees, and network charges. For more information, please see Volume 1 Part 5 Chapter 7000 Section

was successful: the contacts for nearly 2,000 applications were updated!

essential for:

reducing security risks

to-do list.

moving away from collecting cash and checks and towards electronic solutions (i.e. Pay.Gov, Online Bill Payment, ACH Credit/Debit and/or Digital Wallet). electronic collections options.

Fiscal Service

**Contact Information** 

The Bureau of the Fiscal Service is available to provide agencies with recommendations to support