

# PREPARING FOR SAME DAY ACH

## Phase 2 - ACH Debits

### 1 DECIDE

how Same Day ACH can meet the needs of various customers or members

- Understand use cases and transaction eligibility
- Determine which customers and which ACH transaction types to support



### 2 ENSURE

correct identification of same-day transactions

- Check and correct Effective Entry Dates, and communicate with your customers
- Decide if you will use the optional identifier



### 3 REVIEW

corporate reports, treasury management and online banking systems for same-day integration



### 4 REQUEST SUPPORT

from operators, vendors and processors



## An ODFI Call to Action

Same Day ACH builds upon the ACH Network's existing next-day settlement functionality and provides a new option for same-day processing and settlement of ACH transactions. This creates a host of new opportunities and potential offerings that you, as an Originating Depository Financial Institution (ODFI), can provide to your members, and business and consumer customers.

### Same Day ACH Use Cases

Same Day ACH has numerous potential use cases that can benefit all customers, businesses, government entities and financial institutions that use the ACH Network. Significant use cases can enable:

**Expedited Bill Payments** - customers to make one-time bill payments on due dates, and provide faster crediting for late payments

**Business-to-Business Payments** - faster settlement of invoice payments between trading partners with remittance information

**Account-to-Account Transfers** - faster movement of funds for customers who transfer money among various accounts they own

**Collections** - the ability to collect funds as soon as possible upon the customer's commitment to pay

### Same Day ACH Specifics

Same Day ACH is available for virtually any ACH transaction. Only International ACH Transactions (IATs) and single transactions over \$25,000 are excluded.

Origination of same-day transactions is optional, but all RDFIs are required to receive same-day payments. Additionally, Corporate Receivers are obligated to post same-day entries and make funds available, as required.

Same Day ACH transactions are identified using the Effective Entry Date field of an ACH file with the current day's date. It is critical that the Effective Entry Date is reviewed to avoid inadvertent same-day entries. ODFIs can require use of an optional identifier to further indicate intent for a same-day transaction using the Company Descriptive Date field of an ACH file.

	Phase 1 Sept. 2016	Phase 2 Sept. 2017	Phase 3 March 2018
Eligible Transaction Type	ACH Credits	ACH Credits and Debits	ACH Credits and Debits
Processing Deadline	10:30 am and 2:45 pm ET	10:45 am and 2:45 pm ET	10:45 am and 2:45 pm ET
Settlement Time	1 pm and 5 pm ET	1 pm and 5 pm ET	1 pm and 5 pm ET
Funds Availability	End of RDFI processing day	End of RDFI processing day	5 pm RDFI local time



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