## TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR ACCESS AND USE OF THE TREASURY CHECK VERIFICATION SYSTEM (TCVS)

The Bureau of the Fiscal Service (Fiscal Service), a component of the United States Department of the Treasury, maintains the Treasury Check Verification System (TCVS). This system enables a financial institution (FI) or other eligible entity or its contractor or representative to submit information regarding purported Treasury checks to Fiscal Service for purposes of verifying that information, to assist the FI or entity in its determination regarding whether to accept the Treasury check and negotiate it as an instrument.

In order to access and use the TCVS, an authorized individual from your Financial Institution ("Financial Institution") must agree to the following Terms and Conditions by clicking the "ACCEPT" button below. This will confirm your Financial Institution's acceptance of these Terms and Conditions. If you do not agree to these Terms and Conditions, please click the "Decline" button. However, if the Terms and Conditions are declined by clicking the "DECLINE" button, your Financial Institution will not be able to access the TCVS. A copy of the Terms and Conditions can be accessed and downloaded <a href="here">here</a>. You may review the Terms and Conditions below for as long as needed before determining whether to "Accept" or "Decline" said Terms and Conditions.

- 1. Financial Institution shall access TCVS and submit Treasury check data to Fiscal Service for use in TCVS only for use in conjunction with Financial Institution's acceptance of Treasury checks for negotiation in the ordinary course of business as a Financial Institution.
- 2. Financial Institution will use the Treasury "check validation information" received from Fiscal Service via TCVS only to obtain information regarding the validity of Treasury checks that have been presented to Financial Institution. For purposes of this document, "check validation information" is one of the following responses from Fiscal Service with respect to an inquiry based on a Treasury check symbol and dollar amount:
  - a. The U.S. Treasury Check was issued for the amount entered.
  - b. The U.S. Treasury Check has already been paid.
  - c. The amount entered does not match Fiscal Service records.
  - d. No match.
- 3. Financial Institution acknowledges the following: That TCVS is a tool designed to provide information to assist the Financial Institution in making a decision regarding the validity of a Treasury check, and that the determination on whether to negotiate a Treasury check remains the responsibility of the Financial Institution; that while Fiscal Service will make reasonable efforts to ensure the accuracy of the data available in TCVS, information may not be timely since it is updated once a day (not in real time); and, that Fiscal Service does not warrant the data or accept any liability for any inaccuracies in that data.

- 4. Financial Institution will not use the credentials provided by Fiscal Service except as provided for in these Terms and Conditions. Financial Institution acknowledges that its rights to the credentials are not assignable.
- 5. Financial Institution will provide notice to Fiscal Service of any suspected or actual violation of any of these terms and conditions promptly of being made aware of such violation. Financial Institution will fully cooperate with Fiscal Service in the investigation, review, or remediation of any such violation.
- 6. Fiscal Service may revoke Financial Institution's TCVS credentials, key and/or access to TCVS at any time, immediately upon notification to Financial Institution. Notification by Fiscal Service will be made in writing, by email, to the signatory listed below, or his/her successor.
- 7. Financial Institution may relinquish its "key" and/or otherwise forfeit its access to TCVS at any time, immediately upon notification to Fiscal Service. Notification by the Financial Institution shall be made to Fiscal Service in writing, by email, to the following email address: paymentintegrity@fiscal.treasury.gov.

I affirm, by clicking the ACCEPT button below, that I am an authorized signatory for my Financial Institution and agree to the above Terms and Conditions to access and use the TCVS.