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DATE: July 3, 2013

TO: Eighth District Bank Holding Companies

SUBJECT: Financial Statements for Employee Stock Ownership Plan Bank Holding Companies (FR Y-9ES) as of December 31, 2012

Electronic Distribution

The FR Y-9ES report form and instructions are available on the Federal Reserve Board's website at www.federalreserve.gov under "Reporting Forms."

BHC Modernization

Bank holding companies filing the FR Y-9 reports (FR Y-9C, FR Y-9LP, FR Y-9SP, FR Y-9ES) are **required** to submit each report electronically through IESUB, the Federal Reserve's safe and effective way of submitting reports over the Internet. The Federal Reserve no longer accepts paper copies of these reports from bank holding companies. Bank holding companies must maintain in their files a manually signed and attested printout of the data submitted. The cover page of the Reserve Bank report form should be used to fulfill the signature and attestation requirements. This page should be attached to the printout and placed in the bank holding company's files.

All FR Y-9ES respondents are required to perform validation checks as part of the electronic submission process. Please contact either analyst listed below if you need assistance electronically submitting the FR Y-9ES or need access to IESUB. Information on using IESUB may be found at the Federal Reserve System's Central Services website

<http://www.frbservices.org/centralbank/reportingcentral/index.html>.

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DUE DATE: The completed form must be transmitted by **5 p.m. on Wednesday, July 31, 2013**. ESOPs that have filed Form 5558 with the IRS for an extension must fax a copy of the form to this Reserve Bank by July 31, 2013 to receive an extension to October 15, 2013 to coincide with the extended IRS deadline.

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