

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The Depository Trust Company



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To: All Participants
Category: Executive Notices
From: Treasury Operations
Attention: MANAGING PARTNER/OFFICER,
OPERATIONS PARTNER/OFFICER,
DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS,
MANAGER P&S DEPARTMENT
Subject: Special Counterfeit Fraud Alert
CIRULATION OF FRAUDULENT CHECKS

The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation (DTCC), the parent company of The Depository Trust Company, would like to report that counterfeit checks that appear to be from accounts of individuals utilizing DTCC's or DTC's name and routing number are in circulation.

The counterfeit items display the ABA routing number 026002066, which is assigned to DTC. DTC does not engage in retail banking and does not issue checks with this routing number.

Please be aware that the appearance of counterfeit items can be modified and that additional variations may be presented. Attempted use of fraudulent checks may include payment to satisfy debt, open bank or brokerage accounts or purchase goods or services. If you are presented with checks bearing the DTCC or DTC name along with the above routing number, and/or you have any questions concerning this Important Notice, please contact DTCC's Internal Security Department at Tel: (212) 855-3516; Fax: (212) 855-8685; or on the Web at (wbenson@dtcc.com or kmay@dtcc.com).

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