



OCC ALERT

Comptroller of the Currency
Administrator of National Banks

Subject: Fraudulent Web Site
www.occnetonline.com

Description: Fraudulent Web site purporting
to be operated by the Office of
the Comptroller of the Currency

TO: Chief Executive Officers of All National Banks; All State Banking Authorities; Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Conference of State Bank Supervisors; Deputy Comptrollers (districts); Assistant Deputy Comptrollers; District Counsel and Examining Personnel

RE: Fraudulent Web Site: www.occnetonline.com

On July 2, 2004, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) became aware of the above-referenced Web site, which purports to be an online banking site operated by the OCC. Please be advised that the Web site is not operated by the OCC. It is a fraudulent attempt to acquire personal confidential information from users of the site for the purpose of identity theft. The OCC is not a bank and does not maintain accounts of any type for individuals. The OCC's actual Web site is located at www.occ.treas.gov

The OCC is the federal agency that charters, regulates, and supervises national banks and their operating subsidiaries. The OCC does not have, nor has it ever had, direct involvement in the transfer of funds for or on behalf of banks or the general public. Furthermore, the OCC does not offer banking services to national banks or members of the general public. Information disseminated by the OCC on its Web site is public information and the only information that may be requested from users of a Web site operated by the OCC would involve contact with the OCC via e-mail.

If you have provided any personal information to the above-referenced Web site, you should contact your financial institution (including your credit card companies), and also consider placing a fraud alert on your accounts.

If you have provided any personal information to the above-referenced Web site, or you have any other information concerning this matter, please provide it to:

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