

### September 20, 2023

TO: Direct Financial Institution Members

**Payments Association Members** 

**ACH Operators** 

Software Information Exchange

FROM: Nacha Network Rules

RE: 2023 Nacha Operating Rules & Guidelines – Supplement #1-2023

# **FOR YOUR INFORMATION**

Supplement #1-2023 contains the 2024 ACH Network Administration Fees as approved by Nacha's Board of Directors. The new fee schedule is effective January 1, 2024.

To ensure compliance with the most current rules, the supplement should be used in conjunction with the 2023 edition of the Nacha Operating Rules.

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# NOTICE OF AMENDMENT TO THE 2023 NACHA OPERATING RULES

September 20, 2023 SUPPLEMENT #1-2023

Network Adminstration Fees

Effective Date: January 1, 2024

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# Network Administration Fees

The Nacha Operating Rules require each Participating Depository Financial Institution that transmits or receives ACH entries (commercial and Federal Government) to pay an annual fee and a per-entry fee to cover costs associated with the administration of the ACH Network. These Network Administration Fees apply to all entries subject to the requirements of the Nacha Operating Rules, whether such entries are transmitted via an ACH Operator, sent directly from one Participating DFI to another, or sent through another entity. The Network Administration Fees have been established by the Nacha Board of Directors and are reviewed and modified, as appropriate, on an annual basis.

## NETWORK ADMINISTRATION FEES AND DATA REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

The accompanying chart provides information on the amount of the annual and per-entry fees for the 2024 calendar year. The ACH Operators collect the annual fees and per-entry fees on behalf of Nacha for entries sent from one Participating DFI to another Participating DFI through the ACH Operators.

Financial institutions are required to report and Nacha collects directly the per-entry fees for ACH entries not sent through the ACH Operators, but that are sent as part of direct send or "on-we" arrangements. A direct send or "on-we" arrangement is one in which a Participating DFI sends a payment file that uses the Nacha formats and/or is covered by the Nacha Operating Rules, where that file is not processed by an ACH Operator, but instead is exchanged with another non-affiliated Participating DFI, either directly or through another entity. This definition applies regardless of how interbank settlement is accomplished.

Participating DFIs with direct send or "on-we" volume exceeding 5 million entries annually are obligated to file the requisite reporting with Nacha quarterly. Participating DFIs with direct send volume below this threshold are obligated to file with Nacha annually. These financial institutions are required to submit transaction volume data and any associated fees directly to Nacha using Form N-7 (2024). Any Participating DFI whose direct send or "on we" volume of entries originated or received exceeds 5 million for any quarter ending March 31, June 30, September 30, or December 31, 2024 must submit the above data and fees on a quarterly basis thereafter. The submission deadlines for quarterly filers are April 30, July 31, and October 31, 2024, and January 31, 2025. Participating DFIs that exceed the threshold during the calendar year must aggregate all prior quarters' fees in their current quarter's Form N-7 (2024) payment. Participating DFIs whose direct send volume is below this threshold must submit the above data and fees for calendar year 2024 by January 31, 2025.

# Nacha 2024 Schedule of Fees

# **ACH Network Administration Fees**

This Schedule of Fees has been established by the Nacha Board of Directors for calendar year 2024 in accordance with the requirements of the Nacha Operating Rules, Article One (General Rules), Section 1.13 (Network Administration Fees).

# NETWORK ADMINISTRATION FEES — FILING REQUIREMENTS FOR PARTICIPATING DEPOSITORY FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Form N-7 (2024) is provided for the purposes of reporting and submitting payment of Network Administration Fees, as required by the Nacha Operating Rules, on ACH entries that are transmitted or received under a direct send or "on-we" arrangement. These reporting requirements are not applicable to Participating DFIs whose entries are processed exclusively through an ACH Operator, where all applicable transaction volume will be reported to and fees collected by the ACH Operators on behalf of Nacha.

#### Who Must File

Any Participating DFI that transmits or receives entries that use the Nacha formats and/or are covered by the Nacha Operating Rules, where those entries are not processed by an ACH Operator, but instead are exchanged with another non-affiliated Participating DFI, either directly or through another entity, during the 2024 calendar year.

#### Who Does Not Have to File

Any Participating DFI that transmits and receives 100% of its ACH entries during 2024 through an ACH Operator or with affiliated Participating DFIs does not need to file Form N-7 (2024). All applicable Network Administration Fees are billed and collected on Nacha's behalf by the ACH Operator, and appear on your customer statement as "Nacha Admin Network Fee/Entry" and "Nacha Admin Network Fee/Month."

#### When and Where to File

Any Participating DFI whose direct send or "on-we" volume of entries originated and received exceeds 5 million for any quarter ending March 31, June 30, September 30, or December 31, 2024 must file on a quarterly basis thereafter. The submission deadlines for quarterly filers are April 30, July 31, and October 31, 2024, and January 31, 2025. Participating DFIs that exceed this threshold during the calendar year must aggregate all prior quarters' fees in the current quarter's payment. Participating DFIs whose direct send or "on-we" volume is below the threshold must submit their calendar year 2024 data and fees by January 31, 2025.

Completed forms and payment must be received by Nacha no later than the above deadlines. Submit forms electronically to N7Form@nacha.org.

Payment via ACH credit is preferred. The ACH credit must be initiated by the organization filing Form N-7. UPIC Routing & Transit # 021052053, Acct # 59058945. Use CCD format for single filing. Complete in Batch Header (1) Company Name (2) Company Entry Description (specify Form N-7 (2024)).

If paying by check, please make the check payable to Nacha and mail to: Nacha, Attn: Finance Department, 2550 Wasser Terrace, Suite 400, Herndon, VA 20171.

#### Form Instructions

- Line 1. Enter legal name of Participating DFI.
- Line 2. Enter mailing address of Participating DFI.
- Line 3a. List the number of ACH entries transmitted and received by the Participating DFI that were not processed by an ACH Operator but were exchanged with another non-affiliated Participating DFI, either directly or through another entity, for the applicable period. Entries should be sorted by routing number of the non-affiliated DFI and include debits, credits and entries of non-value. If there are more routing numbers than spaces available, attach another sheet. Total columns and add together to calculate the grand total.
- Line 3b. Enter the grand total from line 3a.
- Line 4. Represents the 2024 per entry fee of \$.000185

- Line 5. Multiply line 3b by line 4 [example: (line 3b) 100,000 x (line 4) \$.000185 = (line 5) \$18.50]
- Line 6. Payment due is equal to the amount on line 5. Indicate payment method. If amount on line 5 is less than one dollar, submit the completed form only; no payment is due.

### **Still Need Additional Information?**

Downloadable Forms and Instructions are available at https://www.nacha.org/content/network-administration-fees or contact Nacha, 800-487-9180 or 703-561-1100 or email: N7Form@nacha.org.

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# FORM N-7 (2024)

# Select Filing Period and Deadline (check all that apply):

		Period	Filing Deadline	
	For annual filers:	☐ December 31, 2024	January 31, 2025	
	For quarterly filers:	☐ March 31, 2024	April 30, 2024	
		☐ June 30, 2024	July 31, 2024	
		☐ September 30, 2024	October 31, 2024	
		☐ December 31, 2024	January 31, 2025	
1.	Financial Institution Name			
2.	Business Address			

# **3.** Direct Send Information

a. 2024 direct send ACH entries by routing number of non-affiliated Participating DFI (see instructions)

# **DIRECT SEND DETAIL**

ROUTING NUMBER	ENTRIES RECEIVED	ENTRIES ORIGINATED		
ROOTING NOMBER	ENTINES RESERVED	ENTRIES GRIGHTATES		
TOTALS				
GRAND TOTAL (TOTAL RECEIVED + TOTAL ORIGINATED)				

# $\begin{array}{c} \text{FORM N-7} \; (2024) \\ \textit{(continued)} \end{array}$

	b. 2024 total direct send ACH entries (see instructions)	
4.	2024 per entry fee	x \$.000185
5.	Uncollected 2024 Network Administrative Fees (line 3b x line 4)	\$
<b>6.</b> (If	Payment Due: (Amount on line 5) Date of ACH creditless than \$1.00, no payment due, submit form only)	or Check
	declare that I have examined this form and to the best of r d complete.	my knowledge and belief, it is true, correc
Sig	mature	Date
Pri	nted Name	
Tit	le	
Fin	nancial Institution Name	
	nail Address Phone	
Sub	omit completed form to: N7Form@nacha.org	
Sub	mit payment. Payment via ACH credit preferred:	
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