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§ 1902.9 Deposits.

(a) *Deposit by FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 personnel.* (1) Checks made payable solely to the Federal Government, or any agency thereof, and a joint check when the Treasurer of the United States is a joint payee, may not be deposited in a supervised bank account.

(2) FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 personnel will accept funds for deposit in a borrower's supervised bank account only in the form of a check or money order endorsed by the borrower "For Deposit Only," or a check drawn to the order of the financial institution in which the funds are to be deposited, or a loan check drawn on the U.S. Treasury.

(i) A joint check that is payable to the borrower and FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 will be endorsed by the District Director or County Supervisor as provided in § 1951.57(e) of this chapter.

(ii) Ordinarily, when deposits are made from funds which are received as the result of consent or subordination agreements or assignments of income, the check should be drawn to the order of the financial institution in which the supervised bank account is established or jointly to the order of the borrower and the FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354. All such checks should be delivered or mailed to the District or County Office.

(3) If direct or insured loan funds (other than OL or EM, loan funds) or borrower contributions are to be deposited in a supervised bank account, such funds will be deposited on the date of loan closing *after it has been determined that the loan can be closed*. However, if it is impossible to deposit the funds on the day the loan is closed due to reasons such as distance from the financial institution or banking hours, the funds will be deposited on the first banking day following the date of loan closing.

(4) Grant funds will be deposited when such funds are delivered.

(5) When funds from any source are deposited by FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 per-

sonnel in a supervised bank account, a deposit slip will be prepared in an original and two copies and distribution as follows: Original to the financial institution, one copy to the borrower, and one copy for the borrower's case folder. The names of the borrower, the sources of funds, and "Subject to FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 Countersignature," and if applicable, the account number will be entered on each deposit slip.

(6) A loan or grant check drawn on the U.S. Treasury may be deposited in a supervised bank account without endorsement by the borrower when it will facilitate delivery of the check and is acceptable to the financial institution. The borrower will be notified immediately of any deposit made and will be furnished a copy of the deposit slip. When a deposit of this nature is made, the following endorsement will be used:

For deposit only in the supervised bank account of *(name of borrower)* in the *(name of financial institution and address when necessary for identification)* pursuant to Deposit Agreement dated \_\_\_\_\_.

(7) Accounts established through the use of Interest-Bearing Deposit Agreement will be in the name of the depositor and the Government.

(b) *Deposits by borrowers.* Funds in any form may be deposited in the supervised bank account by the borrower if authorized by FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 provided the financial institution has agreed that when a deposit is made to the account by other than FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 personnel, the financial institution will promptly deliver or mail a copy of the deposit slip to the FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 District or County Office.

(1) A loan or grant check drawn on the U.S. Treasury may be deposited in a supervised bank account by a borrower, provided the following endorsement is used and is inserted thereon prior to delivery to the borrower for signature:

For deposit only in my supervised bank account in the *(name of financial institution and address when necessary for identification)* pursuant to Deposit Agreement dated \_\_\_\_\_.

(2) Funds other than loan or grant funds may be deposited by the borrower in those exceptional instances where an agreement is reached between the District Director or County Supervisor and the borrower, whereby the borrower will make deposits of income from any source directly into the supervised bank account. In such instances the borrower will be instructed to prepare the deposit slip in the manner described in § 1902.9(a)(5).

#### § 1902.10 Withdrawals.

(a) The District Director or County Supervisor will not countersign checks on the supervised bank account for the use of funds unless the funds deposited by the borrower from other sources were cash deposits, or checks which the District Director or County Supervisor knows to be good, or until the deposit checks have cleared.

(b) Withdrawals of funds deposited under the applicable deposit agreement are permitted only by order of the borrower and countersignature of authorized FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 personnel, or upon written demand on the financial institution by the State Director.

(c) Upon withdrawal or maturity of interest-bearing accounts established through the use of an Interest-Bearing Deposit Agreement, such funds will be credited to the supervised bank account established through the use of Form FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 402-1.

(d) The issuance of checks on the supervised bank account will be kept to the minimum possible without defeating the purpose of such accounts. When major items of capital goods are being purchased, or a limited number of relatively costly items of operating expenses are being paid, or when debts are being refinanced, the checks will be drawn to the vendors or creditors. If minor capital items are being purchased or numerous items of operating and family living expenses are involved as in connection with a monthly budget, a check may be drawn to the borrower to provide the funds to meet such costs.

(1) A check will be issued payable to the appropriate payee but will never be issued to "cash." The purpose of the

expenditure will be clearly shown on Form FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 402-2 and indicated on the fact of the check. When checks are drawn in favor of the borrower to cover items too numerous to identify, the expenditure will be identified on the check, as "miscellaneous."

(2) Normally, OL and EM loan funds will not be withdrawn from the supervised bank account until the lien search has been made and a determination reached that the required security has been obtained. This applies also to withdrawal of funds in secured individual loan cases. However, in those instances when the applicant is unable to pay for the lien search and filing fees from personal funds, a check for this purpose may be drawn on the supervised bank account to meet these loan making requirements.

(3) Ordinarily, a check will be countersigned before it is delivered to the payee. However, in justifiable circumstances such as when excessive travel on the part of the borrower, District Director or County Supervisor would be involved, or purchase would be prevented, and the borrower can be relied upon to select goods and services in accordance with the plans, a check may be delivered to the payee by the borrower before being countersigned.

(i) When a check is to be delivered to the payee before being countersigned, the District Director or County Supervisor must make it clear to the borrower and to the payee, if possible, that the check will be countersigned only if the quantity and quality of items purchased are in accordance with approved plans.

(ii) Checks delivered to the payee before countersignature will bear the following legend in addition to the legend for countersignature: "Valid only upon countersignature of Farmers Home Administration or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354."

(iii) The check must be presented by the payee or a representative to the District or County Office of the FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 servicing the account for the required countersignature.

(iv) Such check must be accompanied by a bill of sale, invoice, or receipt signed by the borrower identifying the