

## Press Release

## TCH Welcomes NACHA Same Day ACH Settlement Announcement

SEAN OBLACK Office: 202.368.4629 sean.oblack@theclearinghouse.org New York, NY – December 9, 2014 – The Clearing House (TCH) today welcomed NACHA's – The Electronic Payments Association – proposal to move toward a ubiquitous, same-day ACH settlement capability.

"This comprehensive proposal is a significant step forward in continuing to better meet consumer and business needs," said Dave Fortney, Senior Vice President for Product Development and Management at The Clearing House. "Adoption of Same Day ACH settlements will complement TCH's real-time payment system initiative. Together with today's already efficient ACH, Same Day ACH and real-time payments will provide distinct payment options for customers. Consumers and businesses will be able to choose the speed and features required for a broad range of use cases. We look forward to reviewing the proposal in more detail and responding to NACHA's request for comment."

The Clearing House is the only private-sector ACH Operator in the country, processing approximately 50% of all commercial ACH volume in the U.S. Its customers include credit unions, commercial banks, savings banks and savings and loans. It also owns and operates the CHIPS system, the largest private-sector U.S.-dollar funds-transfer system in the world, and an Image Payments Network, an industry utility that connects financial institutions of all sizes to get check images anywhere they need to go.

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