



Same Day ACH: Speeding Up Payments

On September 23, 2016, the National Automated Clearinghouse Association (NACHA) will implement a new rule allowing same day settlement for eligible ACH credit transactions and non-monetary transactions processed by the ACH Network. With Same Day ACH (SDACH), SDACH transactions may be made throughout the day. This will allow for faster funds availability, reduced risk, and opportunities for new payment options. It is expected that SDACH transactions will involve higher transaction fees.

Same Day ACH will be introduced in three phases:

- Phase 1: September 23, 2016 – Introduction of SDACH with Credit (i.e. payroll and payables) entry processing only
- Phase 2: September 15, 2017 – Introduction of SDACH with Debit (i.e. receivable and rent collection) entry processing
- Phase 3: March 16, 2018 – SDACH funds available in receiver's account by 5:00pm local time

What qualifies for Same Day ACH processing?

- Domestic credit transactions of \$25,000 or less.
- Returned Items and Notifications of Change (NOCs).
- Pre-notifications.
- Zero-dollar transactions

The following do not qualify for same-day processing:

- Domestic credit transactions greater than \$25,000.
- International ACH Transactions (IAT).
- ACH debit transactions (eligible for same-day processing in September 2017).

For Phase 1, QNB will not be originating SDACH transactions. QNB will only be receiving credits from the Federal Reserve Bank (FRB) to customers' accounts from banks which are originating SDACH transactions. SDACH files will have specific cutoff window times provided by the FRB. Those files will be processed by QNB shortly after the FRB cutoff window and any SDACH transactions will be memo posted to the customer's account. During our nightly processing, the SDACH transaction will post normally and be available for paying items presented against customer's account. Traditional ACH transactions will flow through the system as normal with no change to availability.

To learn more about Same Day ACH, please visit resourcecenter.nacha.org or contact your QNB Relationship Manager.