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## Unclaimed Property Relating to Banking Institutions

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The following information corresponds to Article III of New York's Abandoned Property Law. For more information, refer to Article III of the statute.

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### Unclaimed Property

Unclaimed property subject to Article III of the Abandoned Property Law includes:

- Bank accounts
- Negotiable instruments
- The contents of safe deposit boxes broken open for nonpayment of rent

- Overpayment amounts and securities resulting from trust activities
- Dormant trust customer accounts
- Unclaimed securities found in a vault or storage area
- Unclaimed amounts and securities resulting from paying agent and corporate trust activities including the issuance of American Depository Receipts (ADRs)
- Capital stock of a banking organization
- Lost property found on the premises of a safe deposit area of a bank or safe deposit company

Specific first-class, certified mail due diligence and advertising requirements apply.

## **Important Dates**

### **June 30**

Cut-off Date

### **August 1**

Preliminary Report Due

### **August 10**

Negative Report Due

First Class Mailing Completed

### **August 31**

Publication Notice Due

### **September 10**

Proof of Publication Due

Certified Mailing Completed

### **November 10**

Final Report and Remittance Due

## Applicable Property Types

All dormancy periods are as noted.

- 1A Demand deposit account(s) (five year dormancy)
- 1B Savings accounts, including club accounts security deposit and retirement accounts (five year dormancy)
- 1C Time deposit accounts (five year dormancy)
- 1D Money on deposits to secure funds (if separate from A and B) (five year dormancy)
- 1E Unidentified deposit (if separate from A and B) and suspense accounts (five year dormancy)
- 1F Escrow funds, including mortgages, performance guarantee, surety bonds, etc. (five year dormancy)
- 1G Credit balances arising from loans, including liquidated mortgages, consumer loans, remainder of collateral amounts, etc. (five year dormancy)
- 1I Credit balances in trading and investment accounts with trusts, brokers, investment firms, etc., including outstanding checks issued to customers (three-year dormancy)
- 1J Credit balances or cash due renters of safe deposit boxes (three-year dormancy)
- 2A Certified checks (three-year dormancy)
- 2B Cashier, teller checks (three-year dormancy)
- 2C Bank money order (three-year dormancy)
- 2D Treasurer and registered checks (three-year dormancy)
- 2E Drafts and bank traveler's checks (three-year dormancy)
- 2F Warrants (three-year dormancy)

- 3A Cash dividends other than ADRs (three-year dormancy)
- 3B Bond interest other than ADRs (three-year dormancy)
- 3C Stock dividends other than ADRs (three-year dormancy)
- 3D Distributions from ownership of interest other than ADRs, including redemption values, warrants, underlying and unexchanged shares and accrued dividends (three-year dormancy)
- 3E Cash dividends–ADRs (three-year dormancy)
- 3F Stock dividends–ADRs (three-year dormancy)
- 3G Other distributions resulting from ownership of interest–ADRs (three-year dormancy)
- 3H Bond redemption (three-year dormancy)
- 3I Mutual fund and dividend reinvestment book shares (three-year dormancy)
- 3P Stock dividends other than ADRs–shares (three-year dormancy)
- 3Q Distributions from ownership of interest other than ADRs, including redemption values, warrants, underlying and unexchanged shares and accrued dividends–shares (three-year dormancy)
- 3R Stock dividends–ADRs, shares (three-year dormancy)
- 3S Other distributions resulting from ownership of interest–ADRs, shares (three-year dormancy)
- 3T Bond redemption, shares (three-year dormancy)
- 3U Mutual fund and dividend reinvestment book shares–shares (three-year dormancy)
- 4A Cash over receipts–dividends and other (three-year dormancy)
- 4B Bond interest over receipts (three-year dormancy)
- 4C Stock over receipts–dividends and other (three-year dormancy)
- 4D Other over receipts (three-year dormancy)
- 4E Unidentified overages (three-year dormancy)
- 4F Other distributions resulting from ownership interest or debt obligation

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- 4P Stock over receipts—dividends and other, shares (three-year dormancy)
  - 4Q Other over receipts—shares (three-year dormancy)
  - 4R Unidentified overages—shares (three-year dormancy)
  - 4S Other distributions resulting from ownership interest or debt obligation—shares (three-year dormancy)
  - 5E Amounts due for undelivered goods and/or services (three-year dormancy)
  - 8A Wages, payroll, salaries, commissions, pension payments (three-year dormancy)
  - 8E Lost property (five-year dormancy)
  - 8F Securities long in customers' trading, investment, or trust accounts (three-year dormancy)
  - 8G Securities held as transfer agent (three-year dormancy)
  - 8I Securities lost and held by a safe deposit company or bank (five-year dormancy)
  - 8K Other securities owed (three-year dormancy)
  - 8P Securities long in customers' trading, investment, or trust accounts—shares (three-year dormancy)
  - 8Q Securities held as transfer agent—shares (three-year dormancy)
  - 8R Securities held in a vault or storage area of the bank (three-year dormancy)
  - 8S Securities lost and held by a safe deposit company or bank (three-year dormancy)
  - 8T Securities found in a safe deposit box (three-year dormancy)
  - 8U Other securities owed (three-year dormancy)
  - 8X Late filing interest (five-year dormancy)

## **Statutory Considerations in Addition to Article III**

### **Article VII and Section 1316 of New York's Abandoned Property Law**

Banking organizations that sell life, property, or casualty insurance and are holding related funds (insurance proceeds held by a bank) are subject to Article VII and Section 1316 of New York's Abandoned Property Law. For more information, refer to Article VII and Section 1316 of the statute and to OUF's Insurance Company document.

### **Article V and Section 1315 of New York's Abandoned Property Law**

A banking organization's holding company is subject to Article V and Section 1315 of New York's Abandoned Property Law. For more information, refer to Article V and Section 1315 of the statute and to OUF's General Corporation document.

### **Holders Not Authorized to Conduct Business in New York State**

Section 1312 of New York's Abandoned Property Law extends statutory coverage to any banking organization that:

- Is chartered or organized in another state and not authorized to do business in New York
- Holds unclaimed property payable to a person whose last known address is within New York

Such reporting organizations are subject to the same statutory reporting requirements as organizations doing business in New York. However, the publication requirement does not apply.

### **Safe Deposit Boxes—New York's Banking Law, Section 335**

Section 335 of New York's Banking Law provides special remedies for instances when the rental of a safe deposit box is not paid or when the safe deposit box is not vacated upon the termination of the lease. For further information please refer to Section 335 of the Banking Law.

### **Section 1422 of New York's Abandoned Property Law**

Note that subdivision 6 of section 301 has been repealed in favor of the enactment of Section 1422. Section 1422 of the APL requires that, at least 90 days prior to your final report, a first class mailing be made to each person whose name is expected to appear on the report unless the address is unknown or the holder can demonstrate that the address it has for the owner is not the owner's current address. In addition, at least sixty days prior to your final report, a certified mailing, return receipt requested, must be made to each person whose name is expected to appear on the report whose abandoned property is valued in excess of \$1000.00 unless a claim has been initiated since the first class mailing was sent, or the first class mailing was returned as undeliverable. However, the provisions

of Section 300.1 (h) (iii), pertaining to securities enrolled in a dividend reinvestment plan, remain in force and require that a certified mailing be made to the apparent owner regardless of the account value.

## **Schedule of Events for Article III**

### **June 30**

For the purposes of reporting abandoned property, a banking organization's year runs from July 1 through June 30. June 30 is the cut-off or ending date for the reporting period. Use it when identifying abandoned accounts/items.

### **July 1 through August 1**

During this period:

- Review your records and collect data relative to any account/item that may be dormant and subject to reporting.

If you have an account/item subject to reporting:

- Compile the data in one of our reporting formats, so that you may submit it as your preliminary report. If you do not have any items subject to reporting, proceed to August 10.
- Mail the preliminary report and a properly completed Verification and Checklist to us. We must receive them by the close of business on August 1.

### **August 10**

By this date:

Send a first class mailing to each person or entity whose name appears on your preliminary report of abandoned property and request a signed written statement that acknowledges the property's existence. This requirement does not apply to those accounts that meet the exclusionary provisions of Section 1422.

Reactivate all owners who respond to the mailing. Their property will no longer be dormant, and you should remove them from reporting consideration.

If you do not have an account/item subject to reporting:

- Complete a Verification and Checklist and indicate that there are no abandoned accounts/items by entering "None" in the Total field. This is known as a negative filing.

### **August 31**

By this date:

- Publish items from your preliminary report.

You may deduct publication costs from the property's value.

### **September 10**

By this date:

If an owner hasn't responded to the first class mailing, or if the first class mailing was not returned as undeliverable, and the value of all unclaimed property held for the owner exceeds \$1000, you are required to send a second notification via certified mail, return receipt requested.

You may charge the cost of the certified mailing against the property's value.

Reactivate all owners who respond to the mailing. Their property will no longer be dormant, and you should remove them from reporting consideration. Please note that we consider a return receipt to be customer contact if the receipt bears the signature of the account owner. Therefore you should verify return receipt signatures against the other signature records you may have for an account owner.

- File proof of publication, including an invoice, a copy of the advertisement, and an affidavit.

### **July 1 through October 31**

During this period:

- Update your preliminary report as necessary to reflect any activity/contact that has occurred, annotate mailing and publication charges, and complete report removals based on contact with owners.

**November 1 through November 10**

During this period:

- Finalize the report.
- Arrange for payment.
- Submit the report, payment, and a new Verification and Checklist. We need to receive them by the close of business on November 10.

**Important Issues****Bank Charter Information**

Banking institutions should substitute State Chartered and Date Chartered for State of Incorporation and Date of Incorporation on the Verification and Checklist.

**Accounts Not Reportable**

Account deposits reportable under Section 300(1)(A) and held at a foreign (out of country) branch of a New York bank and negotiable instruments payable only in foreign (non-U.S.) currency are not subject to New York's Abandoned Property Law.

**Cash and Securities Held by New York Paying Agents**

Paying agents reporting shareholder items for corporations as part of a regular bank filing should submit only one report covering all corporations. The Description of Security and CUSIP Number fields identify the corporations that the paying agent is including in the report.

Refer to the General Corporations document for information regarding the types of property subject to New York's Abandoned Property Law, reporting requirements, and related issues.

If you are acting as a successor agent, you should report abandoned property applying a three-year dormancy period from the original issue date, not from the date you received the property.

If you are acting as transfer, paying, or reorganization agent, you are responsible for filing on behalf of corporate clients, unless the property is returned to the corporations prior to July 1 of the reportable year. You do not need to file a separate report. You may include items for corporate clients in the regular report.

**Bearer Amounts of State, Municipal, or other Public Issuers**

You should combine bearer amounts by issue and report each issue as one record. You must file these items on a separate report and cannot combine them with reportable items from other areas within the organization. The following reflects the information to be included in the respective fields.

- Owner Last Name                    “MUNIBOND”
- First Name                         Ten characters of the bank’s or issuer’s name. In either instance, the words “the,” “town,” “city,” or “state” should not appear, e.g., enter FIRSTNATIO for The First National Trust Company or NYCHOUSING for New York City and OYSTERBAY, For Town of Oyster Bay.
- Account Title or Description of Security       The complete name of the issuer and the issue date. Enter the name of issuer and period for which funds were reported, e.g., Dormitory Authority NYS–All Issues\* 7/1/86 - 6/30/87 or City of New York G/O Serial Bonds SR - 113 W Dtd 1/1/67).  
  
\* If either of these fields contains “All Issues,” you should submit a backup listing of all the issues included with the report.
- Owner City                         Issuer’s city or county.
- State                                Two-letter state code for of the issuer’s state. Since only New York bearer amounts are reportable, this field should always be NY.
- Property Type                    3B for Bearer Interest and 3H for Bearer Principal.  
  
When you cannot separate interest and principal, use property type 3D.
- Date (of Dormancy)            Due date, payable date, or call date, if the amount you are reporting represents a specific coupon payment, other interest payable or a redemption value. If the amount you are reporting is for a specific escheatment period, e.g., 7/1//98 - 6/30/99, enter the date of the last day of the period (6/30/99). If the amount you are reporting is for multiple escheatment years, e.g., 7/1/97 through 6/30/99, enter the date of the last day of the period and the beginning and end dates in the field that contains the issuer name and issue date (Account Title field or Description of Security field).
- Initial Amount                    Amount on books as of due or payable date.
- Escheated Amount                Amount you are transferring to New York State.  
  
Only data fields specified above should be completed.

This sample reflects the reporting of bearer bond principal on municipal issues.

Owner Last Name MUNIBOND	First Name OYSTERBAY	M.I. P	Suffix	Account Title OYSTER BAY TOWN UFSD #23 All Issues 1/1/91–12/31/91	
Owner Address Street 1	Owner Address Street 2	Owner City Oyster Bay	State NY	Zip	Country if not USA

Soc. Sec. No./Empl. ID No.	Property Type 3H	Prop ID #	Date (MMDDYY) 123191	Initial Amount 2000.00	Escheated Amount 2000.00	Removal Indicator (If applicable enter P or R) Owner Claimed <input type="checkbox"/> P <input type="checkbox"/> Otherwise Reduced to Zero <input type="checkbox"/> R <input type="checkbox"/>	Multiple Owners Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
Description of Security			CUSIP Number of Security		No. of Shares or Denomination		Method of Transfer

### **American Depository Receipts**

A three-year dormancy period and a statutory floor date of July 1, 1974 apply to ADRs. Follow the same rules and criteria for reporting unclaimed corporate cash and stock dividends, redemptions, and underlying and unexchanged shares. Note that New York ADR issuers also report amounts held for unknown owners.

### **Amounts Held for New York, Foreign, and Unknown Owners Reportable for Corporations that have Discontinued Business without the Right to Receive Such Amounts Having Passed to a Successor**

Such amounts held by a non-New York paying agent for residents of New York are also reportable to New York.

### **Court-Ordered Guardian Accounts**

The five-year dormancy period on court-ordered guardian accounts begins at age 18 or at the death of the infant, whichever occurs first. This applies to all accounts that are subject to withdrawal only upon further order of the court and in the absence of a specific order directing the retention of such accounts beyond the infant's majority. If you do not know the infant's date of birth, attempt to obtain this information from the court. If you cannot obtain this information, presume the infant was born on the account's opening date.

We have no objection if you notify the appropriate surrogate's court via short form order prior to remitting such accounts to us, provided your intent is to have the court determine the proper disposition of the funds as abandoned property, i.e., whether the accounts are for minors, unknown heirs, etc., and not to prevent proper transfer of such funds, which have met the statutory requirements for abandonment.

### **Custodian Accounts**

The dormancy period on accounts resulting from New York's Uniform Gift to Minors Act and Uniform Transfer to Minors Act or any other custodian or in-trust-for account not subject to a court order is five years from the date of last customer contact.

## **International Banking Policy**

Funds held at an international banking facility (IBF) established in New York are subject to New York's Abandoned Property Law.

## **IRA and Keogh Accounts**

In the absence of contact/activity within the last five years, the law requires you to report an individual retirement account (IRA) or Keogh account in the cut-off year in which the account's owner reached age 70 ½. If you cannot reasonably obtain the owner's date of birth, presume the owner was twenty-one on the account's opening date.

Reported amounts constitute distributions from the IRA. In reporting, use the property type that reflects the nature of the account. For example, use 1C if the proceeds had been held in a time account. In the Date field, enter the date on which the owner reached age 70 ½. In the Description of Security field, enter IRA. This clarifies that you are not reporting the account prematurely.

## **Roth IRA**

We recognize that, while the Roth IRA is not subject to the mandatory distribution rules during the original owner's lifetime, confusion may none the less exist among both the public and the holder community as to the treatment of this product with respect to the Abandoned Property Law. Accordingly, for the purpose of consistency, OUF will not penalize reporting organizations for treating the Roth IRA in the same manner as the traditional IRA and reporting them in the year the owner reaches the age of 70 ½.

## **Negotiable Instruments**

The nature of the obligation is the determining factor in establishing the dormancy period for checks. For example, a personal trust or custody department reports due bill checks applying a three-year dormancy period applicable to unclaimed dividends rather than the three-year dormancy period for negotiable instruments. You may not levy handling charges against negotiable instruments, unless there is a specific contract with the customer authorizing such a charge.

You may deem negotiable instruments outstanding in error and exclude them from an abandoned property report if you have any of the following:

- A written statement from both the payee and the drawer acknowledging that the specific obligation has been satisfied and disclaiming any entitlement to the funds
- A statement from either party indicating receipt of the funds
- Documentation that the obligation has otherwise been satisfied

A bank's own payroll or vendor checks are reportable as negotiable instruments.

## **Owners Outside New York State**

Amounts held by New York banking institutions for non-U.S. residents are subject to the statute. Note that the law requires you to report to us when the rightful owner is a resident of another country.

## **Passbooks in Safekeeping**

Passbooks, other than those held as collateral for loans that have not matured, are reportable as any other bank account on a five-year basis. Do not update these passbooks in the absence of depositor contact.

## **Safe Deposits**

The procedures for opening safe deposit boxes for non-payment of rent are in Section 335 of New York's Banking Law.

The law requires you to report cash, including the net proceeds from an auction, and securities three years from the date of the box's opening. It also requires you to report the proceeds resulting from an auction of property held in excess of three years as of June 30 of the year in which you received the proceeds.

You are not required to hold an auction, but if you do, the net proceeds are reportable on a box-by-box basis after subtracting the auctioneer's expenses and reasonable bank fees.

Do not report coins, including U.S. coins such as silver dollars, with an apparent market value in excess of face value at face value or offset them against bank fees. You should retain and auction them.

Do not report Series E bonds to us. Retain them or forward them to:

Department of the Treasury  
Fiscal Service  
Parkersburg, WV 26101

You must retain papers and property of no apparent value for at least ten years, in accordance with Section 335.1(f) of New York's Banking Law.

Do not report negotiable instruments found in a safe deposit box as abandoned property. If appropriate, the issuing organization will report the underlying funds.

## **Time Accounts**

In the absence of depositor contact, the five-year dormancy period on time deposits (including automatically renewed accounts) begins at the first maturity. However, do not

interrupt a time deposit in the middle of a term to report to us, with the exception described in the note below.

For example, in the absence of depositor contact, the dormancy period of an automatically renewable two-year account issued in April 1994 would begin in April 1996, at maturity. Ordinarily, the dormancy period would expire in April 2001 and the account would be deemed abandoned as of June 30 of that year. However, because of the automatic renewal provision, the account would be renewed for two years in April 1996 and again in April 1998. Since the five-year dormancy period would not have expired, the account would be renewed for a third time in April 2000. You would then report it to us as of June 30, 2002. However, if you establish depositor contact during a renewal term, the dormancy period begins at the end of that term.

If you failed to report an account on a timely basis by applying the guidelines above and the account automatically renewed for an additional period, you should break the term without penalty to the depositor. As a basis for identifying dormant time accounts, you should maintain records of the original issue or maturity date and should change that date only via a customer-generated roll over and/or a valid date of last customer contact.

### **Unclaimed Overpayments, Dividends, Interest, and Securities (Trust Departments–Personal Trust, Custody, and Employee Benefits)**

Unclaimed overpayment amounts and securities on corporate, governmental, or other “public issues” are subject to the statute.

If you hold unclaimed dividend or interest overpayments received in a foreign currency, they are subject to New York’s Abandoned Property Law but they must be paid in U.S. currency.

### **Unit Investment Trusts**

Unit investment trusts (UITs) are subject to New York’s Abandoned Property Law. Report amounts and/or securities in the same manner as other outstanding bond issues, notwithstanding that the underlying bonds that compose the trust may have different maturities. However, if there is a contractual investment plan where payments to the plan are over a specified period or if the plan terminates at the end of a specified period, the dormancy period does not begin until the completion of the period stated in the plan.

Address specific questions regarding trust provisions and commencement of the dormancy period to the Director of Audits.

### **Vendors Performing Payroll Services**

If you perform payroll record keeping services for another corporation, notify the other entity on a yearly basis of unclaimed amounts reportable to us, and determine which entity is responsible for reporting the items. Such reporting should occur on an annual basis. For more information, refer to Article V of New York’s Abandoned Property Law.

## **Passbook Updates**

With respect to savings accounts, while passbook updates constitute depositor contact, you should make every effort to get the depositor's signature, which acknowledges that he/she is aware of the account.

## **Due Diligence**

Banking organizations are required to conduct due diligence in the form of mailings and publication. The associated costs for completing publication and certified mailing due diligence may be charged individually to the abandoned accounts involved in the due diligence effort, while the costs for completing the first class mailing requirement cannot be offset. You may not take a bulk deduction against the report's total value. A positive customer response to any due diligence attempt negates the need for further due diligence actions on an account.

You should exercise due caution in attempting to contact entitled owners who reside in politically sensitive countries. Also, please note that certified mailing requirements do not apply to residents of foreign countries. Address any questions pertaining to this subject to our Director of Audits.

## **Mailing Requirements**

### **First Class and Certified Mailings**

The law now requires that banking organizations do the following:

- At least 90 days prior to their final report/remittance date, send a first class mailing to each owner whose name is expected to appear on that report unless;
  - The owner address is unknown, or
  - The holder can demonstrate that the address it maintains for the property owner is not the property owner's current address

And

- At least 60 days prior to their final report/remittance date, send a certified mailing, return receipt requested, to each owner whose name is expected to

appear on that report with abandoned property valued in excess of \$1000.00 unless;

- A claim has been initiated since the first class mailing was sent, or
- The first class mailing was returned as undeliverable.

### **Multiple Owners**

For cases in which multiple owners of an item have different addresses, you must send a letter to each owner. You may deduct the additional costs of mailing a certified notice to more than one address.

### **Multiple Items**

Where feasible, if you are reporting more than one item for the same customer, one letter should address all of the items you are reporting.

### **Costs**

You may deduct the mailing costs for certified mail. Deduct such charges from each item for which you are mailing the notice. You may not make a bulk deduction against the final remittance.

### **Publication**

The law requires banking organizations to:

- Publish a notice of unclaimed property consisting of the names and last known addresses, sorted alphabetically by last name within city of residence (or county in the case of the New York City area), of all persons appearing to be entitled to abandoned property amounting to fifty dollars or more.

The notice shall state that:

A report of unclaimed amounts of money or other property has been made to the State Comptroller and that a listing of names of persons appearing to be entitled is on file and open to public inspection at (banking organization name).

Such held amounts of money or other property will be paid or delivered to proven entitled parties by (banking organization name) through October 31.

On or before November 10, any remaining unclaimed monies or other properties will be paid or delivered to the State Comptroller.

- Publish the notice within 30 days of the date of the preliminary report.
- Publish the notice once in the city or village in which the property is payable.

If no newspapers are published in that city or village, then publication should be in the county in which the property is payable.

If no newspapers are published in that county, then publication should be in an adjacent county.

However, if an abandoned property is payable in New York City, then publication should be in the county in which the property is held.

- Publish the notice in a newspaper printed in English and any other newspaper that will substantially serve to inform the public of such abandoned property.
- File proof by affidavit of publication with the State Comptroller on or before September 10.

As primary publications should be in English, the cost of subsequent publications is not deductible.

### **Items to Disqualify**

When determining what items to publish, disqualify any item for which one of the following is true:

- The item is less than \$50.
- You don't know the address or it is in a foreign country.
- There are special circumstances the holder feels make it desirable to withhold the name and address from publication, as in the case of well-known entities and individuals (IRS, GM, celebrities, etc.).

After applying the above criteria, disqualify all items if:

- They are payable within a New York City county (New York, Kings, Queens, Richmond, or Bronx), and the sum of the account value of all items to be advertised in the county is less than \$10,000.00.
- They are payable in a county outside of New York City, and the sum of the account value of all items to be advertised in the county is less than \$2,500.00.

You should publish any items remaining after disqualifications. Remember that you should list an individual's name only once.

## **Allocation of Publication Costs**

Allocation of publication costs is on a pro rata basis. Use one of the following two methods to determine costs for each item.

### ***Percentage Method***

With the percentage method, you divide the amount of the item you are publishing by the total amount of the items you are publishing by county and multiply the quotient by the total advertising expense.

For example: You are publishing a \$100.00 item along with other items (in the same county). The total for all items is \$10,000.00, and the total advertising expense for this county is estimated at \$50.00.

$$\frac{\$100.00}{\$10,000.00} \text{ or } .010 \times \$50.00 = \$0.50$$

### ***Cost Per Dollar Method***

With the cost per dollar method, you divide the estimated total advertising expense for a particular county by the total amount of the items to be published in that county. The resulting percentage is then multiplied by the face value of the item being advertised to determine the amount of advertising charges to be applied to that item.

Using the example above, the calculation is:

$$\frac{\$50.00}{\$10,000.00} \text{ or } .005 \times \$100.00 = \$0.50$$

For the example above, regardless of the method applied, the publication cost you could deduct is \$.50.

## **Payment**

With each final report of abandoned property the applicable remittance must be sent to the Comptroller of the State of New York.

Checks should be drawn payable to the New York State Comptroller and mailed to the following address:

New York State Office of the State Comptroller  
Office of Unclaimed Funds  
Remittance Control, 2nd floor  
110 State Street  
Albany, New York 12236

In accordance with OUF's internal control procedures, you should send all payments to the above address. At no time should you send any remittances to our New York City office.

## **Electronic Funds Transfer**

E-cash is now a viable method to make payment of the amount due for your report of abandoned property. Please contact our Communication Center or our Reports Processing Unit for further instruction and for account and routing number information.

## **Delivery of Securities**

You must deliver all reported security positions at the time you file the abandoned property report. The delivery of securities can be accomplished using one or a combination of the following delivery options:

- Wire delivery through the Depository Trust Company (DTC)
- Journal transfer
- Physical certificate

We recommend, where possible, that you deliver abandoned securities to the State Comptroller by means of wire transfer via DTC.

We will no longer accept any dormant securities still registered in the name of a brokerage firm, corporation, or individual. We will return all abandoned securities we receive in registrations other than the Comptroller's name, and we may assess late interest against their value from the time they are due until the time we properly receive them. If all attempts to transfer the securities have been unsuccessful, contact the Securities Management Unit for special instructions.

### **Wire Transfer of Securities via DTC**

Use the following instructions to perform a wire transfer of securities via DTC.

1. Provide all required securities information on the report.
2. Enter the letter "D" in the Method of Transfer field.
3. Contact the Securities Management Unit for specific instructions to provide to DTC to effect the transfer. You will need:
  - Clearing Number of Custodian
  - New York State Account

4. Submit all DTC wire confirmations with your abandoned property report.

If someone other than the reporter is wiring the shares due on behalf of the reporter, please advise us of this in your report cover letter by noting the name and the DTC participant number of the organization actually remitting the shares.

Any organization wishing to wire transfer securities via a depository other than DTC must contact the Securities Management Unit to obtain the information required to effect the transfer.

### **Delivery of Mutual Fund and Dividend Reinvestment Plan Shares**

When reporting book entry shares for mutual fund and or dividend reinvestment plans, transfer the shares from each dormant account into one account registered in the name Comptroller, State of New York. Forward documentation proving the transfer of the dormant shares into the new account (statement copies showing the share transfers) and any shareholder contracts required to liquidate shares from the accounts with the applicable abandoned property report. If the Comptroller already maintains an account for a particular issue, please make delivery into the existing account. There is no need to open a new account. To verify the existence of a previously established account, you should contact the Securities Management Unit.

Use the following instructions to deliver mutual fund shares:

1. Provide all required securities information on the report. Please note that the complete name of the Mutual Fund or Dividend Reinvestment Plan should appear in the security description field exactly as it appears on the account statement. Similarly, reported CUSIP numbers should match, as well.
2. Enter the letter "A" in the Method of Transfer field.
3. Submit a copy of a separate statement for each issue, confirming transfer of the shares, along with the abandoned property report.

Shares erroneously transferred into the Comptroller's account may not be removed from said account without notification. Please contact the Securities Management Unit for assistance in resolving erroneous journal entries.

### **Delivery of Physical Securities**

Reporting organizations that are unable to wire transfer or journal entry securities must have drawn physical certificates registered in the name Comptroller, State of New York. You should submit only one physical certificate per issue with any report. You should mail physical certificates to the payment address noted previously.

Use the following instructions to deliver physical securities.

1. Provide all required securities information.
2. Enter the letter "P" in the Method of Transfer field.

3. Make physical deliveries via registered or certified mail, return receipt requested.
4. Include fractional shares in certificate form when delivering securities for dividend reinvestment accounts.
5. Include a cover letter with the securities, identifying them as dividend reinvestment accounts when delivering securities for dividend reinvestment accounts.

**Important Notes**

When registering securities in the name of the Comptroller, State of New York, use the Federal Tax Identification Number assigned to the Office of Unclaimed Funds:

**14-1743611**

If you are unable to deliver a reportable security in any method described above (e.g., you can't transfer the registration, registration transfer costs are excessive, etc.), transfer the abandoned positions to an internal general ledger account entitled "Abandoned Securities–State of New York–Reportable Year 20\_\_\_\_." Additionally, disclose the positions in a separate document submitted with the report. Our office will provide specific instructions for the disposition and reporting of these securities at a later date.

Direct all questions and problems relating to the delivery of securities to the Securities Management Unit.

**Report Samples**

**Demand Deposit or Checking Account Item–Property Type 1A**

Owner Last Name Applegate		First Name Gerald		M.I. T	Suffix		Account Title Gerald T. Applegate				
Owner Address Street 1 47 Elm Avenue			Owner Address Street 2			Owner City Riverview	State NY	Zip 12182	Country if not USA		
Soc. Sec. No./Empl. ID No. 123456789	Property Type 1A	Prop ID # 40906-2	Date (MMDDYY) 01152001	Initial Amount 67.29	Escheated Amount 63.82	Removal Indicator (If applicable enter P or R) Owner Claimed <input type="checkbox"/> Otherwise Reduced to Zero <input type="checkbox"/>			Multiple Owners Yes <input type="checkbox"/>		
Description of Security			CUSIP Number of Security			No. of Shares or Denomination		Method of Transfer			

Note the difference between the figures reported for Initial Amount and Escheated Amount. You enter the former in a preliminary report and the reduced figure in the Escheated

Amount field in the final report. The reduction represents the reporter's recovery of lawful advertising charges.

### **Negotiable Instruments–Property Type 2A**

Owner Last Name Modern Decorators		First Name	M.I.	Suffix ENT	Account Title Modern Decorators (Drawer) Allied Trucking (Payee)			
Owner Address Street 1 34 Main Street		Owner Address Street 2			Owner City Riverview	State NY	Zip 12182	Country if not USA
Soc. Sec. No./Empl. ID No. Emp. ID No.	Property Type 2A	Prop ID # 2964	Date (MMDDYY) 03102002	Initial Amount 20.45	Escheated Amount 20.45	Removal Indicator (If applicable enter P or R) P <input type="checkbox"/> Otherwise R <input type="checkbox"/> Owner Claimed <input type="checkbox"/> Reduced to Zero <input type="checkbox"/>		Multiple Owners Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Description of Security			CUSIP Number of Security		No. of Shares or Denomination		Method of Transfer	

Owner Last Name Allied Trucking		First Name	M.I.	Suffix ENT	Account Title Modern Decorators (Drawer) Allied Trucking (Payee)			
Owner Address Street 1 65 Central Avenue		Owner Address Street 2			Owner City Riverview	State NY	Zip 12182	Country if not USA
Soc. Sec. No./Empl. ID No. Emp. ID No.	Property Type 2A	Prop ID # 2964	Date (MMDDYY) 03102002	Initial Amount	Escheated Amount	Removal Indicator (If applicable enter P or R) P <input type="checkbox"/> Otherwise R <input type="checkbox"/> Owner Claimed <input type="checkbox"/> Reduced to Zero <input type="checkbox"/>		Multiple Owners Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Description of Security			CUSIP Number of Security		No. of Shares or Denomination		Method of Transfer	

This sample provides an example of a multiple entitlement item. Negotiable instruments should have a record for the Drawer and the Payee (note the Account Title field). Also note that the names of corporate entities begin in the Owner Last Name field and continue into the First Name field (if longer than 20 characters).

### **Money Order–Property Type 2C**

Owner Last Name Unknown		First Name	M.I.	Suffix	Account Title			
Owner Address Street 1		Owner Address Street 2			Owner City	State	Zip	Country if not USA
Soc. Sec. No./Empl. ID No.	Property Type 2C	Prop ID # 4346	Date (MMDDYY) 07112002	Initial Amount 50.00	Escheated Amount 50.00	Removal Indicator (If applicable enter P or R) P <input type="checkbox"/> Otherwise R <input type="checkbox"/> Owner Claimed <input type="checkbox"/> Reduced to Zero <input type="checkbox"/>		Multiple Owners Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
Description of Security			CUSIP Number of Security		No. of Shares or Denomination		Method of Transfer	

Due to the nature of the transaction, you may not know the owner’s name. Therefore, you enter “Unknown” in the Owner Last Name field. This is the only field in which “Unknown” should appear.

**Security Account (Physical Delivery)**

Owner Last Name Warren		First Name Arthur	M.I. P	Suffix Jr	Account Title Arthur P Warren Jr			
Owner Address Street 1 RD2		Owner Address Street 2			Owner City Freemont	State NY	Zip 13254	Country if not USA
Soc. Sec. No./Empl. ID No.	Property Type 3P	Prop ID # 63925X	Date (MMDDYY) 031098	Initial Amount	Escheated Amount	Removal Indicator (If applicable enter P or R) Owner Claimed <input type="checkbox"/> P <input type="checkbox"/> Otherwise Reduced to Zero <input type="checkbox"/> R <input type="checkbox"/>		Multiple Owners Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
Description of Security Allied Trucking 2% Pfd Stk Div			CUSIP Number of Security 723622107		No. of Shares or Denomination 5		Method of Transfer P	

This sample reflects the physical reporting of an actual security, a stock dividend in this case. When comparing this entry to the sample for the uncashed corporate dividend check, note that the CUSIP Number of Security, No. of Shares or Denomination, and Method of Transfer fields are all complete.

**Unexchanged Shares**

Owner Last Name Smith		First Name John	M.I. W	Suffix	Account Title John W Smith			
Owner Address Street 1 200 South Street		Owner Address Street 2			Owner City New York	State NY	Zip 10003	Country if not USA
Soc. Sec. No./Empl. ID No. 123456789	Property Type 3D	Prop ID # 3000	Date (MMDDYY) 031098	Initial Amount 28.50	Escheated Amount 28.50	Removal Indicator (If applicable enter P or R) Owner Claimed <input type="checkbox"/> P <input type="checkbox"/> Otherwise Reduced to Zero <input type="checkbox"/> R <input type="checkbox"/>		Multiple Owners Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
Description of Security Eastern Oil Co (Ex Fr 10 shs Western Oil Co) + accr cash div			CUSIP Number of Security 109863108		No. of Shares or Denomination 20		Method of Transfer D	

This sample illustrates the reporting of unexchanged shares (exchangeable for stock only) plus accrued cash dividends.

Owner Last Name Carter		First Name Mary		M.I.	Suffix	Account Title Mary Carter			
Owner Address Street 1 4195 East Main St			Owner Address Street 2			Owner City Midtown	State NY	Zip 13684	Country if not USA
Soc. Sec. No./Empl. ID No.	Property Type 3D	Prop ID # FBU8609	Date (MMDDYY) 081698	Initial Amount 13.68	Escheated Amount 13.68	Removal Indicator (If applicable enter P or R) Owner Claimed <input type="checkbox"/> P <input type="checkbox"/> Otherwise Reduced to Zero <input type="checkbox"/> R <input type="checkbox"/>		Multiple Owners Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	
Description of Security Alabama Corp (ex fr 21 shs Modern Art Co) + CIL for frac			CUSIP Number of Security 609584306		No. of Shares or Denomination 10		Method of Transfer P		

This sample illustrates the reporting of unexchanged shares (exchangeable for stock only) and cash in lieu of fractional shares not issued.

Owner Last Name Perez		First Name Anna		M.I.	Suffix	Account Title Anna Perez			
Owner Address Street 1 10 Monterey Ave			Owner Address Street 2 Bldg 1 Apt. 2G			Owner City Baytown	State NY	Zip 13684	Country if not USA
Soc. Sec. No./Empl. ID No. 123456789	Property Type 3D	Prop ID # L345	Date (MMDDYY) 051598	Initial Amount	Escheated Amount	Removal Indicator (If applicable enter P or R) Owner Claimed <input type="checkbox"/> P <input type="checkbox"/> Otherwise Reduced to Zero <input type="checkbox"/> R <input type="checkbox"/>		Multiple Owners Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	
Description of Security Kodak Corp (ex fr 12 shs Universal Shoes Inc)			CUSIP Number of Security 199270106		No. of Shares or Denomination 24		Method of Transfer P		

This sample illustrates the reporting of unexchanged shares (exchangeable for stock only).

Owner Last Name Lawrence		First Name Joseph		M.I. K	Suffix	Account Title Joseph K Lawrence			
Owner Address Street 1 800 S W 34th St			Owner Address Street 2			Owner City Jamaica	State NY	Zip 10059	Country if not USA
Soc. Sec. No./Empl. ID No. 123456789	Property Type 3D	Prop ID # C1812	Date (MMDDYY) 120198	Initial Amount 895.00	Escheated Amount 895.00	Removal Indicator (If applicable enter P or R) Owner Claimed <input type="checkbox"/> P <input type="checkbox"/> Otherwise Reduced to Zero <input type="checkbox"/> R <input type="checkbox"/>		Multiple Owners Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	
Description of Security Coney Island Gas Corp - 10 shs @ \$89.50 per sh			CUSIP Number of Security		No. of Shares or Denomination		Method of Transfer		

This sample illustrates the reporting of unexchanged shares (exchangeable for cash only). Redemption proceeds are reported the same way.

Owner Last Name Griffin		First Name Susan		M.I.	Suffix	Account Title Susan Griffin				
Owner Address Street 1 PO Box 83			Owner Address Street 2 River Road			Owner City Bailor	State NY	Zip 14860	Country if not USA	
Soc. Sec. No./Empl. ID No.	Property Type 3D	Prop ID # 5485	Date (MMDDYY) 020898	Initial Amount 311.66	Escheated Amount 311.66	Removal Indicator (If applicable enter P or R) Owner Claimed <input type="checkbox"/> P <input type="checkbox"/> Otherwise Reduced to Zero <input type="checkbox"/> R <input type="checkbox"/>			Multiple Owners Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	
Description of Security APCO Inc (ex fr 10 shs Elroy Corp) \$29.50 p/sh + \$6.84 div + \$9.82 CIL			CUSIP Number of Security 312543108			No. of Shares or Denomination 15			Method of Transfer D	

This sample illustrates the reporting of unexchanged shares (exchangeable for cash only) plus accrued cash dividends and cash in lieu of fractional shares not issued.

**Safe Deposit Box Contents**

Owner Last Name Todd		First Name Jerry		M.I.	Suffix	Account Title Jerry Todd (Box)				
Owner Address Street 1 17 Elm St			Owner Address Street 2			Owner City Parkland	State NY	Zip	Country if not USA	
Soc. Sec. No./Empl. ID No.	Property Type 1J	Prop ID # Box 359	Date (MMDDYY) 06032001	Initial Amount 275.00	Escheated Amount 253.00	Removal Indicator (If applicable enter P or R) Owner Claimed <input type="checkbox"/> P <input type="checkbox"/> Otherwise Reduced to Zero <input type="checkbox"/> R <input type="checkbox"/>			Multiple Owners Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	
Description of Security Auction Proceeds: Ring			CUSIP Number of Security			No. of Shares or Denomination			Method of Transfer	

This sample illustrates the reporting of the contents of safe deposit boxes. Note that the Description of Security field describes the original property.

**Mutual Fund Account**

Owner Last Name Jones		First Name Mary	M.I. M	Suffix	Account Title Mary M Jones			
Owner Address Street 1 PO Box 123			Owner Address Street 2		Owner City Smithtown	State NY	Zip 12183	Country if not USA
Soc. Sec. No./Empl. ID No. 123456789	Property Type 3U	Prop ID # 10765	Date (MMDDYY) 031098	Initial Amount	Escheated Amount	Removal Indicator (If applicable enter P or R) P <input type="checkbox"/> Otherwise R <input type="checkbox"/> Owner Claimed <input type="checkbox"/> Reduced to Zero <input type="checkbox"/>		Multiple Owners Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
Description of Security KC Small Cap Fund			CUSIP Number of Security 785422100		No. of Shares or Denomination 102.1230		Method of Transfer A	

This sample reflects the reporting of a mutual fund account. Note the Method of Transfer is "A," indicating that it was an account transfer.

**Publication Sample****NOTICE OF NAMES OF PERSONS APPEARING AS OWNERS OF CERTAIN UNCLAIMED PROPERTY HELD BY name of banking organization.**

The following persons appear from our records to be entitled to unclaimed property consisting of cash amounts of fifty dollars or more:

Hill, Joseph  
5897 Truman Blvd., Troy, NY 12180

Hoffman, Ada E.  
Rte. 20, Albany, NY 12212

Richmond Savings Bank  
257-03 Hillside Avenue, Albany, NY 12211

Simpson, Robert  
1138 Clinton St., Schenectady, NY 12301

Walsh, David  
714 Washington Ave, Albany, NY 12205

A report of Unclaimed Property has been made to the Comptroller of the State of New York, pursuant to Section 301 of the Abandoned Property Law. A list of the names contained in such notice is on file and open to public inspection at the principal office of the bank, located at address of bank, where such abandoned property is payable. Such abandoned property will be paid on or before October 31 next to persons establishing to its satisfaction their right to receive the same. In the succeeding November, and on or before the tenth day thereof, such unclaimed property will be paid to the Comptroller of the State of New York, and shall thereupon cease to be liable therefore.