Fiscal Service

Program Summary by Budget Activity

(Dollars in thousands)

Appropriation	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2012 TO FY 2013	
	Enacted	Enacted	Request	\$ Change	% Change
Collections	\$22,624	\$21,166	\$20,387	(\$779)	-3.68%
GOVerify Business Center	\$0	\$10,000	\$5,000	(\$5,000)	-50.00%
Government Agency Investment Services	\$16,045	\$15,419	\$13,672	(\$1,747)	-11.33%
Government-wide Accounting and Reporting	\$68,804	\$64,374	\$62,002	(\$2,372)	-3.68%
Payments	\$141,358	\$132,265	\$128,040	(\$4,225)	-3.19%
Retail Securities Services	\$135,337	\$116,260	\$101,686	(\$14,574)	-12.54%
Summary Debt Accounting	\$9,195	\$8,836	\$8,254	(\$582)	-6.59%
Wholesale Securities Services	\$24,058	\$23,120	\$21,490	(\$1,630)	-7.05%
Subtotal, Fiscal Service	\$417,421	\$391,440	\$360,531	(\$30,909)	-7.90%
Reimbursables - Offsetting Collections	\$239,017	\$255,730	\$247,551	(\$8,179)	-3.20%
Unobligated Balances from PY	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$2,000	(\$2,000)	-50.00%
Total Program Operating Level	\$660,438	\$651,170	\$610,082	(\$41,088)	-6.31%
Direct FTE	2,384	2,077	1,954	(123)	-5.92%
Reimbursable/Fee FTE	460	561	619	58	10.34%
Total FTE	2,844	2,638	2,573	(65)	-2.46%

^{*} In FY 2011 and FY 2012 FMS and BPD resources were managed separately. FMS direct programs include: Collections, Payments, and Government-wide Accounting and Reporting. BPD programs include: GOVerify Business Center, Government Agency Investment Services, Retail Securities Services, Summary Debt Accounting, and Wholesale Securities Services.

Summary

The mission of the Fiscal Service is to provide guidance to improve financial management across the Federal Government and improve the efficiency of Government financial management by providing central payment services to Federal Program Agencies (FPAs), operating the Federal Government's collections and deposit systems, delivering Government-wide accounting and reporting services, managing the collection of delinquent debt owed to the Government, borrowing the money needed to operate the Federal Government and accounting for the resulting

debt, and providing reimbursable support services to Federal agencies.

The FY 2013 budget request for the Fiscal Service reflects a consolidation of the Bureau of the Public Debt (BPD) and the Financial Management Service (FMS), the operational arms of Treasury's Fiscal Service. This consolidation is consistent with Government-wide initiatives to improve the delivery of public service, reduce the footprint of the Federal Government, and manage administrative and information technology (IT) costs. Beyond the financial and

^{*} Total Appropriated Resources in FY 2011, 2012, and 2013 include \$10 million, \$8 million, and \$1 million in projected Legacy Treasury Direct User Fee collections, respectively.

^{*} A portion of the Reimbursable/Fee FTE is funded by fee revenue as authorized by the Debt Collection Improvement Act (DCIA) of 1996.

operational benefits, the effort enables the Department of the Treasury to better address the financial management needs of the Federal Government. This consolidation will position the Treasury to create more innovative strategies, streamline its core financial management processes, and realize administrative efficiencies while retaining existing core Federal financial management responsibilities.

The Fiscal Service will implement the consolidation while maintaining a high degree of operational excellence. The Fiscal Service will take advantage of economies of scale, eliminate overlap and duplication, and reduce administrative overhead and support services Starting in FY 2013, the operational activities of the Fiscal Service will begin operating under a combined budget structure, assessing opportunities to reduce staff and position the organization for the change. An implementation plan for the consolidation of these administrative and support functions will be finalized by the end of FY 2012. Implementation is expected to be completed in FY 2014. The consolidation will not directly affect the Office of the Fiscal Assistant Secretary, which will continue to be funded through the Treasury Departmental Offices Salaries and Expenses appropriation.

In addition to implementing the consolidation of BPD and FMS, in FY 2013 the Fiscal Service's priorities are to:

- Increase the number of electronic transactions;
- Reduce improper payments;
- Improve the effectiveness of debt collection activities; and
- Streamline Government-wide accounting and reporting.

The consolidated Fiscal Service FY 2013 budget represents an almost eight percent reduction from FY 2012 levels. The Fiscal

Service demonstrates a commitment to providing continued quality service to customers and through its varied programs, touches almost every American and every Federal agency.

Fiscal Service FY 2013 Budget Highlights

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(Dollars in thousands)		
Fiscal Service	FTE	Amount
FY 2012 Enacted	2,077	\$391,440
Changes to Base:		
Maintaining Current Levels (MCLs):	-	\$3,539
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Non-Recurring Costs	-	(\$5,582)
GOVerify Business Center Non-Recurring Cost	-	(\$5,000)
Government Agency Investment Services Non-Recurring Cost	-	(\$582)
Efficiencies, Savings:	(83)	(\$20,110)
Program Efficiencies	(83)	(\$8,321)
Paperless Treasury	-	(\$875)
Support Services Efficiencies	-	(\$3,000)
Data Center Consolidation/ Fiscal IT	-	(\$7,914)
Subtotal FY 2012 Changes to Base	(83)	(\$22,153)
Total FY 2013 Base	1,994	\$369,287
Program Changes:		
Program Decreases:	(40)	(\$10,296)
Eliminate Paying Agent Fees	-	(\$4,985)
Eliminate New Issues of Paper Payroll Savings Bonds	(6)	(\$673)
Eliminate Paper Savings Bonds Sold OTC at Financial Institutions	(4)	(\$647)
Administrative Services Reduction	(30)	(\$3,991)
Program Increases:	-	\$1,540
Payment Management Reorganization	-	\$1,540
Total FY 2013 Request	1,954	\$360,531
Legacy TreasuryDirect User Fees	-	(\$1,000)
Total FY 2013 Request (Net)	1,954	\$359,531
* FY 2012 Enacted combines F	MS a	nd BPD

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FY 2013 Budget Adjustments

FY 2012 Enacted

The FY 2012 enacted direct appropriation is \$391,440,000.

Maintaining Current Levels (MCLs)

Maintaining Current Levels +\$3,539,000 /+0 FTE

Funds are requested for inflation adjustments (1.7 percent) in non-labor expenses such as GSA rent adjustments, postage, supplies and

equipment and health benefits and the increase in Federal Employees Retirement System participation. Funds are also requested for the proposed 2013 pay raise (0.5 percent).

Non-Recurring Costs

GOVerify Business Center Non-Recurring Cost -\$5,000,000 / +0 FTE

The request reflects a non-recurring cost savings of \$5,000,000 for the GOVerify Business Center.

Government Agency Investment Services Non-Recurring Cost -\$582,000/+0 FTE

As part of modernizing its Government Agency Investment Services (GAIS) Program, the Fiscal Service made the decision to consolidate its GAIS system components into a single, integrated control environment by FY 2012. Savings will be realized in FY 2013 due to decreased technical development efforts.

Efficiency Savings

Program Efficiencies -\$8,321,000 / -83 FTE

Savings realized from reductions in funded positions across all the Fiscal Service operational programs.

Paperless Treasury -\$875,000 / +0 FTE

In FY 2013, the Paperless Treasury initiative will save the Government money through consumable savings. In FY 2014 the Fiscal Service anticipates decommissioning another payment center, which will provide additional savings and rationalize capacity.

Support Services Efficiencies -\$3,000,000 /+0 FTE

Savings realized from reductions in administrative and IT support services.

Data Center Consolidation/Fiscal IT -\$7,914,000 / +0 FTE

The Fiscal Service will consolidate five data centers to two which will begin to produce savings due to reductions in energy consumption, equipment, maintenance, software, licensing, lease and utilities costs, and professional services contracting costs.

Program Decreases

Eliminate Paying Agent Fees -\$4,985,000 / +0 FTE

Six months of savings from eliminating fees paid to agents who redeem paper savings bonds.

Eliminate New Issues of Paper Payroll Savings Bonds -\$673,000 / -6 FTE

Savings of paying agent fees from a reduction of paper payroll savings bond redemptions and FTE savings from a decline in customer service transactions since new issues of paper payroll bonds were eliminated.

Eliminate Paper Savings Bonds Sold OTC at Financial Institutions -\$647,000 / -4 FTE

Savings of paying agent fees from a reduction of paper over-the-counter savings bond redemptions and FTE savings from a decline in customer service transactions since new issues of over-the-counter paper savings bonds were eliminated.

Administrative Services Reduction -\$3,991,000 / -30 FTE

The Fiscal Service will continue efforts started in prior fiscal years to reduce administrative services and administrative support positions.

Program Increases

Payment Management Reorganization +\$1,540,000 / +0 FTE

The Fiscal Service's regional financial centers were historically placed throughout the U.S. to be in proximity to its customer base, banking facilities, population distribution, and check distribution capability of the U.S. Postal Service. The growth in electronic payments combined with the Paperless Treasury initiative has diminished the need for these criteria. As a result, the Fiscal Service will

begin decommissioning a payment center in FY 2013, with complete closure by FY 2014.

The proposed funding redirect will enable the Fiscal Service to cover employee separation expenses and residual costs associated with a center closure. Once completed, the closure will result in significant savings to the taxpayer.

Adjustment to Request User Fee

Legacy Treasury Direct User Fees -\$1,000,000 / +0 FTE

Legacy Treasury Direct account holders with balances over \$100,000 (par value) are charged an annual account maintenance fee of \$100. The Fiscal Service will end the sale of securities in Legacy Treasury Direct no later than November 2012. Since the number of securities in the system will decline as they mature, the Fiscal Service projects only \$1,000,000 in user fee collections for FY 2013.

Explanation of Budget Activities

Salaries and Expenses

Collections (\$20,387,000 from direct appropriations, and \$176,000 from reimbursable programs):

The Fiscal Service collects revenues needed to operate the Federal Government through the management of the Federal Government's collections infrastructure. The Collections Program supports the Fiscal Service's strategic goal to provide timely, accurate, and efficient collection of Federal Government receipts. The Fiscal Service manages the collection of Federal revenues such as individual and corporate income tax deposits, customs duties, loan repayments, fines, and proceeds from In addition, the Fiscal Service leases. establishes and implements collection policies, regulations, standards, and procedures for the Federal Government.

GOVerify Business Center (\$5,000,000 from direct appropriations):

Following the June 2010 Presidential Memorandum on *Enhancing Payment Accuracy Through a "Do Not Pay List,"* the GOVerify Business Center was established to help all departments and agencies meet the President's directive to establish a single-entry point to determine eligibility information prior to making an award or payment.

Government Agency Investment Services (\$13,672,000 from direct appropriations, and \$2,076,000 from reimbursable programs):

The Government Agency Investment Services (GAIS) program works to effectively finance Government operations by offering specialized investments for Government entities at the Federal, state and local levels, as well as borrowings by Federal agencies. This program consists of three distinct components: Federal Investments, Special Purpose Securities and Federal Borrowings.

The Federal Investments component includes issuing, servicing and redeeming Government Account Series securities for Federal agencies that have specific statutory authority to invest, such as the Social Security and Medicare Funds, as well as the Unemployment and Highway Trust Funds. Special Purpose Securities are issued to offer a flexible investment alternative for state and local governments to refinance their outstanding, tax-exempt debt. Federal Borrowings account for and report on loans made by other Federal agencies such as education, housing, farming and small business support.

Government-wide Accounting and Reporting (\$62,002,000 from direct appropriations, and \$3,288,000 from reimbursable programs):

The Government-wide Accounting and Reporting (GWA) Program supports the Fiscal Service's strategic goal to produce timely and accurate financial information that contributes

to the improved quality of financial decision making by operating and overseeing the Government's central accounting and reporting system. The GWA Program also works with FPAs to adopt uniform accounting and reporting standards and systems. It provides support, guidance, and training to assist FPAs in improving their Government-wide accounting and reporting responsibilities.

The Fiscal Service collects, analyzes, and Government-wide publishes financial information, which is used by the Federal Government to establish fiscal and debt management policies and by the public and private sectors to monitor the Government's financial status. Publications include the Daily Treasury Statement, the Monthly Treasury Statement, the Treasury Bulletin, Combined Statement of the United States Government, and the Financial Report of the United States Government (FR).

Payments (\$128,040,000 from direct appropriations, and \$102,401,000 from reimbursable programs):

The Fiscal Service is responsible for managing and operating Federal payment systems and for disbursing approximately 85 percent of all Federal payments. It is comprised of a headquarters staff and Regional Financial Centers. Major payments include: Social Security Benefits, Supplemental Security Income, Federal Pension Benefits, Veterans' Compensation, Railroad Retirement Pensions, and tax refunds.

Retail Securities Services (\$101,686,000 from direct appropriations, including \$1,000,000 from Legacy Treasury Direct User Fee collections, and \$16,841,000 from reimbursable programs):

Fiscal Service's Retail Securities Services (RSS) Program works to finance Government operations by selling marketable and savings securities directly to retail investors. The

program serves more than 50 million retail customers. The Fiscal Service continues to encourage investors to move their paper savings bond holdings to TreasuryDirect, an online system that allows investors to buy, hold, manage, and redeem electronic Treasury securities directly from Treasury, through financial literacy programs that target customers not yet accustomed to conducting financial transactions online.

Summary Debt Accounting (\$8,254,000 from direct appropriations, and \$1,153,000 from reimbursable programs):

The Summary Debt Accounting (SDA) Program is related to the organization's strategic goal of effectively accounting for the debt of the Federal Government. SDA is vital to meeting the Fiscal Service's responsibility to account for more than \$14 trillion of public debt and over \$400 billion in related interest expenses incurred to finance the operations of the Federal Government.

The program produces daily reports on the balances and composition of the public debt, the *Monthly Statement of the Public Debt*, and the annual, audited *Schedules of Federal Debt*, which reports on the single largest liability in the annual FR. SDA has received an unqualified opinion on the *Schedules of Federal Debt* for the past 15 years.

Wholesale Securities Services (\$21,490,000 from direct appropriations, and \$3,000,000 from reimbursable programs):

The Wholesale Securities Services (WSS) Program supports the Fiscal Service's strategic goal to effectively finance Government WSS is responsible for the operations. issuance announcement. auction. settlement of marketable Treasury bills, notes, Inflation-Protected bonds and Treasury The program also oversees that Securities. portion of the Federal infrastructure that provides for the transfer, custody

redemption of all Treasury marketable securities, which are purchased mostly by commercial market participants.

Legislative Proposals

Allow Offset of Federal Income Tax Refunds to Collect Delinquent State Income Taxes for Debtors Who Currently Reside in Other States

Under current law, Federal tax refunds may be offset to collect delinquent state income tax obligations only if the delinquent taxpayer resides in the state collecting the tax. This proposal will allow Treasury to offset Federal income tax refunds to collect delinquent state tax obligations regardless of where the debtor resides.

Increase Levy Authority for Payments to Medicare Providers with Delinquent Tax Debt

The Budget proposes a change to the Department of the Treasury's debt collection procedures that will increase the amount of delinquent taxes collected from Medicare providers. Through the Federal Payment Levy Program, Treasury deducts (levies) a portion of a Government payment to an individual or business in order to collect unpaid taxes. Pursuant to the Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act of 2008, Treasury is authorized to continuously levy up to

15 percent of a payment to a Medicare provider in order to collect delinquent tax debt. The Budget proposal will allow Treasury to levy up to 100 percent of a payment to a Medicare provider to collect unpaid taxes.

Clarify Treasury's Authority to Recover Unclaimed Assets of the United States and Pay Costs from Amounts Recovered

The Budget proposes to clarify Treasury's authority to recover from states and other entities unclaimed assets in the name of the United States or in the name of departments, agencies, and other subdivisions of the Federal Government. Many agencies are not recovering these assets due to lack of expertise Under current authority, and funding. Treasury collects delinquent debts owed to the United States and retains a portion of collections, which is the sole source of funding for its debt collection operations. unclaimed Federal assets are generally not considered to be delinquent debts, Treasury's debt collection operations personnel have the skills and training necessary to cost-efficiently recover these assets. This legislation would authorize Treasury to use its resources to recover assets of the United States, and to pay its costs from amounts recovered, rather than from direct appropriations.

Fiscal Service Performance by Budget Activity

Budget Activity	Performance Measure	FY 2009 Actual	FY 2010 Actual	FY 2011 Actual	FY 2012 Target	FY 2013 Target
Collections	Percentage Collected Electronically of Total Dollar Amount of Federal Government Receipts (%)	84.0	85.0	96.0	96.0	96.0
Debt Collection	Amount of Delinquent Debt Collected Through All Available Tools (\$ billions)	5.03	5.45	6.17	6.67	7.20
Government Agency Investment Services	Percent of Respondents Selecting the Highest Rating of Customer Satisfaction with Government Agency Investment Services (%)	N/A	55.0	60.0	57.0	58.0
Government-wide Accounting and Reporting	Percentage of Government-Wide Accounting Reports Issued Timely (%)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Payments	Percentage of Treasury Payments and Associated Information Made Electronically (%)	81.0	82.0	83.0	85.0	89.0
Retail Securities Services	Percentage of Retail Customer Service Transactions Completed within 5 Business Days (%)	86.0	92.7	73.1	87.0	88.0
Summary Debt Accounting	Cost Per Summary Debt Accounting Transaction (\$)	8.66	11.28	14.80	23.80	23.29
Wholesale Securities Services	Percent of Auction Results Released in Two Minutes +/- 30 Seconds (%)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Key: DISC - Discontinued and B - Baseline

Description of Performance

Collections: In FY 2011, the Fiscal Service collected over \$3.06 trillion in Government receipts of which over \$2.04 trillion was collected via Electronic Federal Tax Payment The Fiscal Service collected 96 percent of collections electronically, exceeding its target of 82 percent. This increase is attributed to the new regulation that mandates all businesses currently required to use a Deposit coupon Federal Tax to pay electronically. The Fiscal Service expects to receiving collections continue electronic methods and anticipates maintaining its 96 percent collection rate in FY 2013, by implement the Paperless continuing to Management Treasury and the Cash Modernization initiative.

Debt Collection: In FY 2011, the Fiscal Service collected over \$6.17 billion in *Delinquent Debt through All Available Tools*, exceeding its target of \$5.50 billion. The

amount collected includes \$2 million from Economic Recovery Payments, \$2.31 billion in past due child support, \$2.74 billion in Federal nontax debt, and over \$1 billion in Federal tax levies and state tax debt offsets. The target was exceeded due to several improvements which include an increase in agency referrals, expansion of the State Reciprocal and Unemployment Insurance Compensation Programs, the salary offset pilot with the Department of Education, and several debt collection systems and process enhancements. The Fiscal Service goal for FY 2012 and FY 2013 is to collect \$6.67 billion and \$7.2 billion respectively in delinquent debts through the use of expanding the administrative wage garnishment collection tool and legislative changes such as the proposal to allow the Treasury to offset Federal income tax refunds to collect delinquent state tax obligations regardless of where the debtor resides. The Fiscal Service is confident it will be able to meet this goal.

GOVerify Business Center: The Fiscal Service will work on developing a performance measure for the GOVerify Business Center once the program is past the initial stages of implementation.

Government Agency Investment Services:

The GAIS Program established a goal of providing high quality customer satisfaction, transaction processing, and accurate and timely payments to investors. To measure performance in relation to this goal, the organization completed an initial customer survey focusing on program and system satisfaction, identifying opportunities for improvement. A baseline was determined, and the program set a goal to incrementally increase the percentage of respondents giving the highest level of customer satisfaction. During FY 2011, survey results showed 60 percent of respondents rating their overall satisfaction with GAIS as "Excellent." This percentage exceeded the goal of 56 percent for the year. Using the survey responses, the Fiscal Service plans to target areas for improvement, thereby progressively increasing the percentage of customers rating GAIS as "Excellent" in FY 2012. Customer responses to the program and system related questions will determine cost beneficial enhancements made to the system as well as procedural updates for the programs.

Government-wide Accounting and **Reporting:** In FY 2011, the Fiscal Service continued to achieve its target of 100 percent for its measure Percentage of Government-Wide Accounting Reports Issued Accurately and Percentage of Government-Wide Accounting Reports Issued Timely. The Fiscal Service continued to achieve its target by maintaining its established process validating and reconciling data with reporting sources such as the Regional Finance Centers, FPAs, and various electronic deposit and payment applications. The Fiscal Service will

continue modernization efforts to ensure the timeliness of these reports and anticipates it will continue to achieve the 100 percent target for FY 2013.

The Fiscal Service disburses **Payments:** payments to a wide variety of recipients, such as those who receive Social Security Administration payments, Internal Revenue Service (IRS) tax refunds, and the Department of Veterans Affairs benefits. In FY 2011, the Fiscal Service disbursed over \$2.4 trillion in non-defense payments to more 100 million people. Due to the continued success of the Go Direct and Direct Express® programs and implementation of the Paperless Treasury initiative in FY 2011, the Fiscal Service issued more than 84 percent of its payments via Electronic Funds Transfers, exceeding its target of 83 percent. The Fiscal Service expects to achieve its targets in FY 2012 and FY 2013 by expanding electronic conversion efforts to additional benefit agencies and payment types, such as other vendor miscellaneous payments and IRS refunds.

Retail Securities Services: The RSS Program did not meet its FY 2011 target for the measure Percentage of Retail Customer Service Transactions Completed within 5 Business Days. Performance was on target through March 2011, when the announcement to curtail services in Legacy Treasury Direct initiated an influx of customer requests to transfer holdings from Legacy Treasury Direct to TreasuryDirect. In the last six months of the fiscal year, the Fiscal Service processed nearly 100 times its typical volume of these manually intensive transfer transactions. This increased workload caused the Fiscal Service to complete only 73.1 percent of time-sensitive retail customer service transactions within five business days and to miss the target of 87 percent. In FY 2012, RSS will maintain a target of 87 percent. In FY 2013, RSS

anticipates it will meet its target of 88 percent by continually streamlining work processes and increasing the volume of electronic business transactions. Transactions include answering phone and email inquiries, processing payments or changes to payment instructions, and handling TreasuryDirect requests.

Summary Debt Accounting: The Fiscal Service tracks the *Cost per Summary Debt Accounting Transaction*, which includes reporting all financial activity related to the public debt of the United States. Issues, redemptions, and interest payments on the public debt must be accounted for to calculate the amount of debt outstanding and interest paid. In FY 2011, SDA's cost per summary debt accounting transaction was \$14.80, which was below its targeted transaction cost of \$15.50.

In order to maintain and improve operational efficiency in the future, the Fiscal Service is currently modernizing the summary debt accounting environment. As a result, the program projects the cost per summary debt accounting transaction to be \$23.80 in FY 2012 and \$23.29 in FY 2013. Beginning in FY 2012, the calculation of the cost per item is based on a five-year rolling average volume to limit the impact of transaction volatility in

SDA. Prior to FY 2012, each calculation was based upon one-year's estimated volumes. The FY 2012 projected cost per summary debt accounting transaction is increasing over FY 2011 as a direct result of the development costs to redefine and modernize the SDA environment. The FY 2013 projection is decreasing due to the reduced level of system development costs during the fiscal year, as well as the operational efficiencies gained through the modernization effort.

Wholesale Securities Services: The Fiscal Service has achieved its target of 100 percent for the measure Percent of Auction Results Released in Two Minutes +/- 30 Seconds. This target has been met since implementation of the latest version of the Treasury Automated Auction Processing System in April 2008. It is essential that WSS releases auction results accurately and consistently to support Treasury's goal to manage the Government's finances in a fiscally responsible manner by issuing debt in a regular and predictable pattern. Ultimately, the accurate and timely release of the auction results contributes to the preservation of public confidence in Treasury securities and the stability of the financial market. WSS plans to continue to achieve its target by ensuring that upgrades to this software keep pace with technology changes.