



FDIC CONSUMER ALERT

E-MAIL CLAIMING TO BE FROM THE FDIC – JULY 2, 2010

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) has received numerous reports of a fraudulent e-mail that has the appearance of being sent from the FDIC. The subject line of the e-mails state: *"you need to check your Bank Deposit Insurance Coverage."* The e-mail tells recipients that, *"You have received this message because you are a holder of a FDIC-insured bank account. Recently FDIC has officially named the bank you have opened your account with as a failed bank, thus, taking control of its assets."* The e-mail then directs recipients to click on a link stating *"You need to visit the official FDIC website and perform the following steps to check your Deposit Insurance Coverage."*

This e-mail and associated Web site are fraudulent. Recipients should consider the intent of this e-mail as an attempt to collect personal or confidential information, or to load malicious software onto end users' computers and ***should not click on the link provided.***

The FDIC does not issue unsolicited e-mails to consumers. Financial institutions and consumers should NOT follow the link in the fraudulent e-mail.



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