

Department of Defense Purchase Card Program Management Office

5 February 1999

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF PC-PMO

MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY (RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND ACQUISITION)
ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE (ACQUISITION)
ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE NAVY (RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND ACQUISITION)
DIRECTORS OF THE DEFENSE AGENCIES

SUBJECT: Purchase Card Delinquencies

The Department of Defense continues to be seriously delinquent in purchase card payments to US Bank. The Department is currently delinquent by over \$10 million to this financial institution. On July 24, 1998, Ms. Eleanor Spector, Director for Defense Procurement, directed that all accounts in US Bank's Rocky Mountain Bank Card System be reconciled and paid in full no later than September 30, 1998. In addition, she directed full payment of all US Bank accounts under the previous contract (which expired November 29, 1998) no later than April 1, 1999.

I will be scheduling an early April 1999 In-Process Review with Ms. Spector and Ms. Alice Maroni, Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), advising them of the status of any remaining Departmental delinquent balances existing at that time. Components with delinquent balances at that time will be required to provide these senior officials with an explanation for non-compliance with the OSD direction previously cited.

I am attaching charts depicting current delinquencies within the Department for your information. US Bank will provide me with routine updates on your reconciliation and delinquency closeout efforts. These updates will be available on our web page at <http://purchasecard.saalt.army.mil/payments.htm>.

I highly encourage all Agency Program Coordinators to work closely with their Financial Management community partners in aggressively managing this issue. If you have any questions or require assistance in account reconciliation, please contact Capt Shawn Caldwell at (703) 681-0372, DSN 761 or email: shawn.caldwell@saalt.army.mil.

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