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The purpose of the Lenders Update is to provide a "heads-up" of new legislation and regulations affecting the mortgage lending industry. We provide summaries of new matters so our readers can judge whether the subject impacts their operations. We recommend that our readers review the entire new statute, regulation or other material in detail where it is relevant to them. For convenience, the applicable matter can be easily identified in the summary, and, where possible, a link is provided.

The Update includes information available to Alt & Associates as of November 2, 2009.

# FTC EXTENDS DEADLINE FOR ENFORCEMENT OF THE RED FLAGS RULE

On Friday October 30, 2009 the Federal Trade Commission ("FTC") announced that it was delaying enforcement of its "Red Flags" Rule. The new date will be June 1, 2010. As we know, this rule was promulgated by the FTC at the direction of Congress to identify and respond to activities that could indicate identity theft.

Implementation of the rule had previously been delayed to yesterday, November 1, 2009. As the FTC points out in its announcement of the new delay, it has taken significant action to provide guidance for these rules including the creation of compliance guidelines for businesses and of a template that enables low risk entities to create an identity theft program with an easy to use online form. For more information on the enforcement delay, and to find additional guidance for

compliance, the FTC suggests the materials posted on its dedicated Red Flags Rule website at <a href="https://www.ftc.gov/redflagsrule">www.ftc.gov/redflagsrule</a>.

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