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§363.3 [Reserved]

§363.4 How is TreasuryDirect[®] different from the Legacy Treasury Direct[®] system and the commercial book-entry system?

(a) *TreasuryDirect.* TreasuryDirect is a book-entry, online system maintained by Treasury for purchasing, holding and conducting permitted transactions in eligible Treasury securities in electronic form as a computer record on the books of Treasury. TreasuryDirect currently provides for the purchase and holding of eligible book-entry savings bonds, zero-percent certificates of indebtedness, and eligible marketable Treasury securities.

(b) Legacy Treasury Direct. The Legacy Treasury Direct system is a non-Internet-based book-entry system maintained by Treasury for holding and conducting permitted transactions in eligible marketable Treasury securities as book-entry products. The terms and conditions for the Legacy Treasury Direct system are found at 31 CFR part 357, subpart C.

(c) Commercial book-entry system. The commercial book-entry system is the book-entry system in which Treasury securities are held in a tiered system through securities intermediaries such as financial institutions or brokerage firms. The regulations governing the commercial book-entry system are found at 31 CFR part 357, subpart B, and may be referred to in that part as Treasury/Reserve Automated Debt Entry System (TRADES).

[70 FR 57442, Sept. 30, 2005, as amended at 76 FR 18064, Apr. 1, 2011]

§ 363.5 How do I contact Public Debt?

(a) You may use the "Contact Us" feature within TreasuryDirect[®] to communicate information to us over a secure Internet connection.

(b) Emails may be sent to: *treas-ury.direct@bpd.treas.gov*. We will reply by e-mail unless you request otherwise. We are not responsible for the security of e-mail messages you may send to us, or replies we may send to you.

(c) Letters should be addressed to the address provided on our web site at *http://www.treasurydirect.gov/write.htm*.

[67 FR 64286, Oct. 17, 2002, as amended at 70 FR 57442, Sept. 30, 2005; 74 FR 19416, Apr. 29, 2009]

§ 363.6 What special terms do I need to know to understand this part?

Account means a TreasuryDirect[®] account as described in §363.10.

Authentication means confirming that the person accessing a TreasuryDirect account is the same person whose identity was initially verified at account establishment.

Automated Clearing House (ACH) means a funds transfer system governed by the Rules of the National Automated Clearing House Association (NACHA). NACHA provides for the interbank clearing of electronic entries for participating financial institutions.

Beneficiary refers to the second individual named in the registration of a definitive savings bond, a converted definitive savings bond, or a book-entry security purchased through the TreasuryDirect system, registered, e.g., "John Doe SSN 123-45-6789 POD (payable on death to) Joseph Doe SSN 987-65-4321.

Book-entry security means a Treasury security maintained by us in electronic or paperless form as a computer record.

Business day means any day that funds may be settled through ACH.

Closed book period means a period of four business days prior to the date a scheduled marketable security interest and/or maturity payment is made, during which time certain transactions will be delayed until after the closed book period is completed. (See §363.210.)

Commercial book-entry system refers to the book-entry system in which you hold your Treasury securities in a tiered system through securities intermediaries such as financial institutions or brokerage firms. (See § 363.4.)

Court means a court of law with jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter.

Conversion account means a linked account in TreasuryDirect that contains only savings bonds that have been converted from definitive bonds to bookentry bonds.

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