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1. FY 22 Administrative Interagency Agreements

We would like to extend our appreciation to all our customers for a productive and successful fiscal year thus far. We also thank our customers for working with us to review and sign the FY 22 interagency agreements prior to October 1. We have 14 of 84 agreements totaling \$9.1M signed as of the end of July and we are still working toward getting the remainder completed.

If you have specific questions regarding your agreement please contact your Customer Service Representative.

2. Putting Customers at the Center of our Workflow

The project is on schedule as we prepare for the opportunity to consider next steps beyond Sprint 5. Roadmap development is still underway, and we continue to test our prototype with real customers and learn how we can make it better. If you missed Session 1 of the ARC Customer Meeting, check out this video to learn more about what we're doing, [Evolving to Meet Your Needs](#). Thank you for your interest and participation to make this a customer centric project.

Do you have questions or insights to share? Please reach out to Jacob Oberlin at Jacob.Oberlin@Fiscal.Treasury.Gov and/or Anda Coiner at Anda.Coiner@Fiscal.Treasury.Gov.

3. Newly Redesigned ARC Website Launches

On June 17, Fiscal Service launched the redesigned ARC website, featuring a modern look and feel, improved navigation and iconography, and a mobile-friendly responsive design. The success of the launch stemmed from the outstanding collaboration between ARC's Engagement and Onboarding Staff, ARC's content providers and testers, Legislative and Public Affairs, and Information Security Services, who worked together to produce the best website possible.

For questions or comments about the new ARC website, please send an e-mail to FSInternet@Fiscal.Treasury.Gov.

4. Negative Cash Position

ARC has evaluated our internal control structure in an effort to help address the requirement that agencies may not disburse an account into a negative cash position, which has been determined to be a violation of the Antideficiency Act when certain criteria are met. The requirement is found in the OMB circular A-11, which addresses the Preparation, Submission, and Execution of the Budget (section 145.2 and section 20.10).

ARC developed a list of considerations to assist our customers in complying with the previously mentioned sections of OMB circular A-11. For customers with franchise funds and revolving funds, consider whether services provided to partners under the Economy Act can alternatively be provided under other authorities, such as revolving funds or franchise funds, which may have the ability to maintain a cash reserve balance. Another useful practice is to ensure billing processes are performed timely and related cash is collected before related disbursements are made when advance payment terms are not used for Economy Act agreements. Some customers may have the option to require the collection

of advances for Economy Act agreements to reduce the risk of disbursing an account into a negative cash position. For reimbursable funds, ARC encourages our customers to a) ensure reimbursable agreements are completed and recorded appropriately before services or goods are provided and b) plan, monitor, and manage cash flow related to reimbursable authority to prevent a negative cash position from occurring. It could help every agency to begin a thorough review of monthly fund balance with Treasury reconciliations performed by ARC to identify any negative cash balances or identify any accounts that may need attention in order to maintain a positive cash balance.

If you have any questions, please contact your Customer Care Accountant.



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