

Alexandria, Va., October 8, 2008 – President George W. Bush signed into law the “Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008” on October 3, 2008, which temporarily increases federal deposit insurance coverage. The new law amends the share insurance coverage provided by the National Credit Union Administration (NCUA) through the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund (NCUSIF) and the deposit insurance provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). The NCUA Board also took action on October 3 to eliminate the concept of “qualified beneficiary” in determining NCUSIF share insurance coverage. The newly enacted rule serves to maintain parity between insurance coverage offered by NCUA and the FDIC. NCUA is working to update all related publications to reflect these changes.

Statutory Share Insurance Change: \$250,000

The new law became effective on October 3, 2008, and will remain in place through December 31, 2009. The law provides for an increase in the minimum NCUSIF coverage from \$100,000 to \$250,000 on member share accounts. This includes all account types, such as regular share, share draft, money market, and certificates of deposit. Individual Retirement Account and Keogh account coverage remains at up to \$250,000 separate from other types of accounts owned.