# MERS<sup>®</sup> and Federal Home Loan Bank eNote implementation checklist

#### We're glad you're interested in eNotes

To help guide you through the process of working with MERS<sup>®</sup> and your Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLBank), we've provided a checklist that outlines the three stages of MERS eRegistry integration: Pre-integration, Integration and Post-integration.

Your organization may be working simultaneously with MERS and your FHLBank on the tasks in each stage, this checklist will help you coordinate this.

## **Pre-integration**

MERS requirements	FHLBank requirements
If your organization is not yet a MERS System Member, refer to	<ul> <li>Contact your FHLBank to discuss pledging eNotes as collateral</li> </ul>
the following link for more information and to access the "Apply for Membership" page: <u>MERS® System   MERSINC</u>	<ul> <li>Review the Operational Requirements documentation to ensure your processes and systems follow the requirements</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Contact your <u>MERS Regional Director</u> to discuss implementing eNotes</li> </ul>	Complete the Advances Agreement Addendum for eNotes
Sign the MERS eRegistry addendum	
<ul> <li>Review and revise internal processes that will be impacted by eNotes with the FHLBank</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Identify and obtain technology resources, including an eVault</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Communicate with trading partners that will be impacted by your FHLBank eNotes</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Appoint an internal resource for MERS eRegistry integration. MERS will assign a consultant to work with them and your team</li> </ul>	

## **MERS eRegistry integration**

MERS requirements	FHLBank requirements
<ul> <li>Work with your assigned MERSCORP Holdings Integration Consultant who will help you:</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Coordinate testing with your FHLBank and your eVault provider</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Create, review and approve a templated Procedures document</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Perform test transactions in the MERS eRegistry based on use cases</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Establish a "Controller Acknowledges Secured Party" relationship with your FHLBank</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Complete and monitor the first production transaction</li> </ul>	

#### **Post-Integration**

MERS requirements	FHLBank requirements
Use MERS eDelivery to send copies of pledged eNote(s) to your	Identify the Note(s) you wish to pledge
FHLBank's eVault	Ensure the assets meet the operational requirements and all
Name your FHLBank as Secured Party for pledged eNote(s) in the	underwriting requirements
MERS eRegistry	<ul> <li>Your FHLBank will provide you with guidance on how to report</li> </ul>
Transfer the Location of the eNote(s) in the MERS eRegistry from	eligible eNotes as collateral to receive lending value
your eVault to the FHLBank eVault	Pledge assets to your FHLBank

Are you e-ready? Contact your MERS Regional Director to begin the MERS eRegistry integration process.

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