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## **SFH Origination News**

### **From the National Office in Washington DC**

#### **Single Family Housing Guaranteed Loan Program**

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#### **HUD to Terminate Telephone Access to the Credit Alert Interactive Voice Response System (CAIVRS)**

USDA Rural Development requires lenders to check CAIVRS and obtain a CAIVRS number for each borrower on an application submitted to USDA Rural Development for a Single Family Housing Guaranteed loan request. The following information is provided to make you aware of changes being made by the Department of Housing and Urban Development for accessing CAIVRS.

The Department of Housing and Urban Development will discontinue telephone access to CAIVRS on October 1, 2008. The hardware supporting the telephone access is obsolete and can no longer be repaired or maintained. The Federal Housing Administration will continue to offer access to CAIVRS via the Internet. See Mortgage Letter dated July 11, 2008 <http://www.hud.gov/offices/adm/hudclips/letters/mortgagee/files/08-18ML.doc>

For users that do not have access to FHA Connection for obtaining a CAIVRS number, attached are detailed instructions for gaining access and obtaining a CAIVRS number from FHA Connection.

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