



# Preparing Credit Unions for Faster Payments

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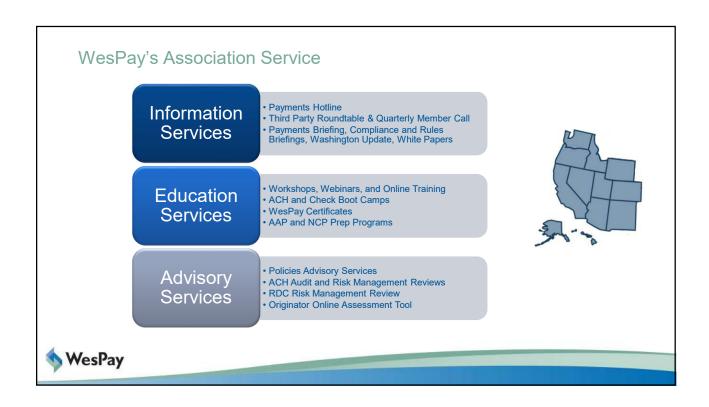


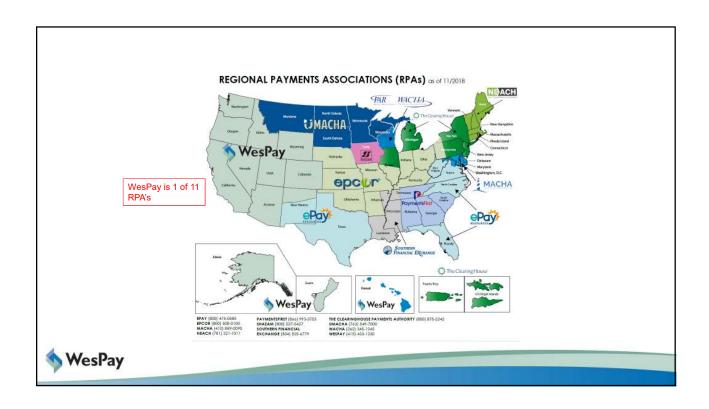


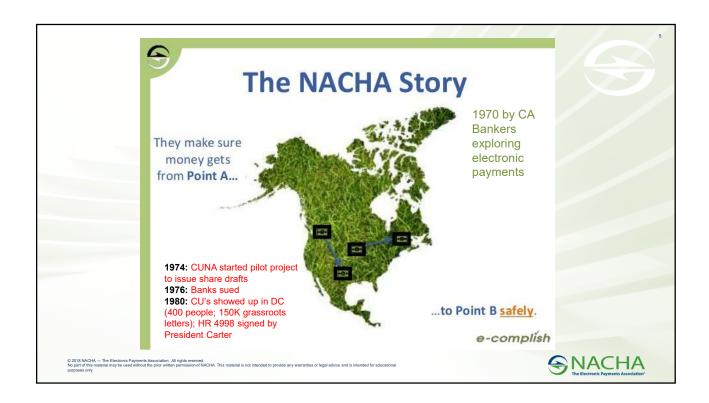
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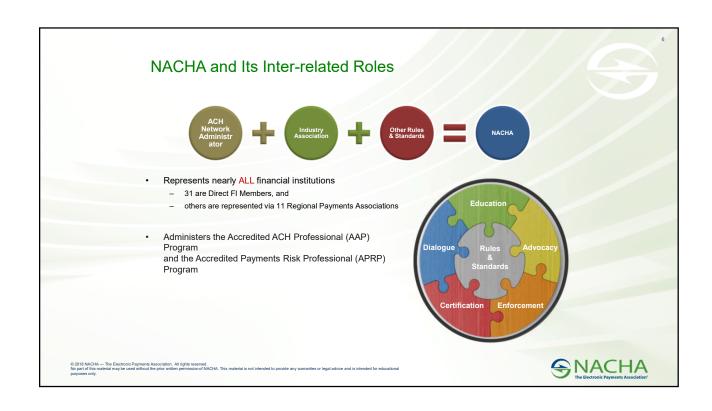


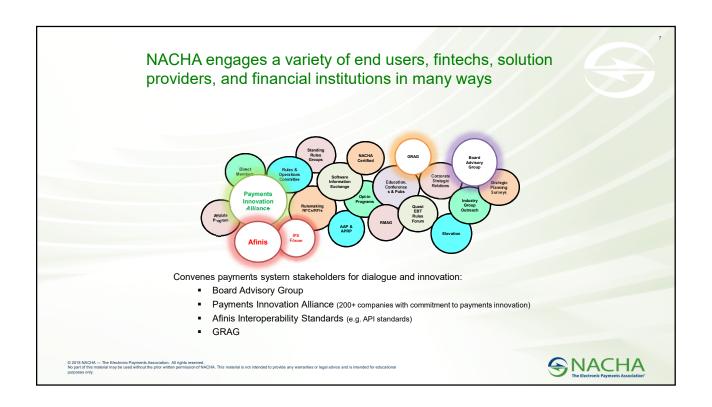
- Monitor, review, and advise CUNA staff & Make recommendations to the Advocacy Committee on operational & public policy issues related to:
  - Payments systems
  - Data security
  - Cybersecurity
  - Credit Unions' access and utilization of the latest developments in payments

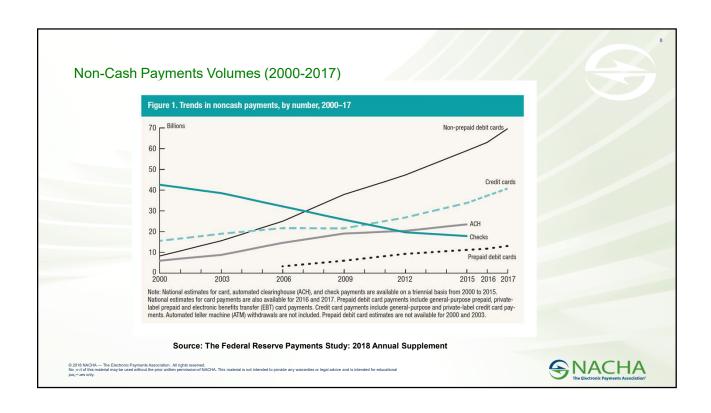


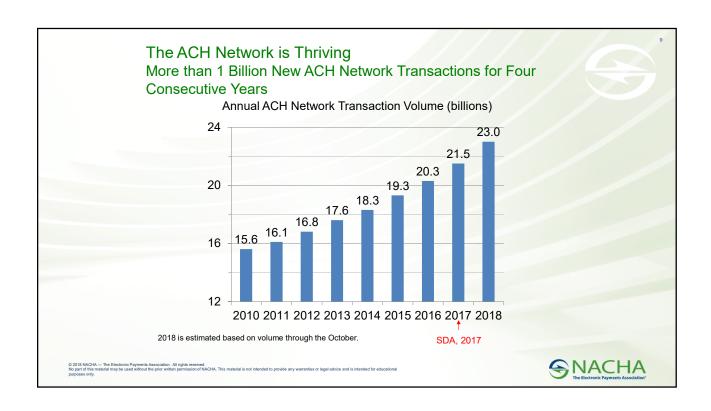


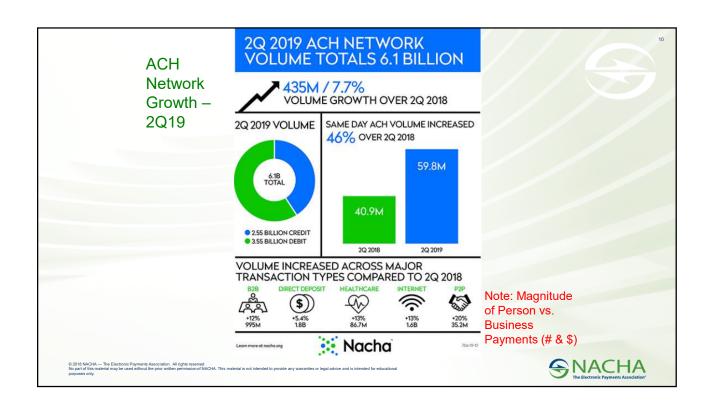
















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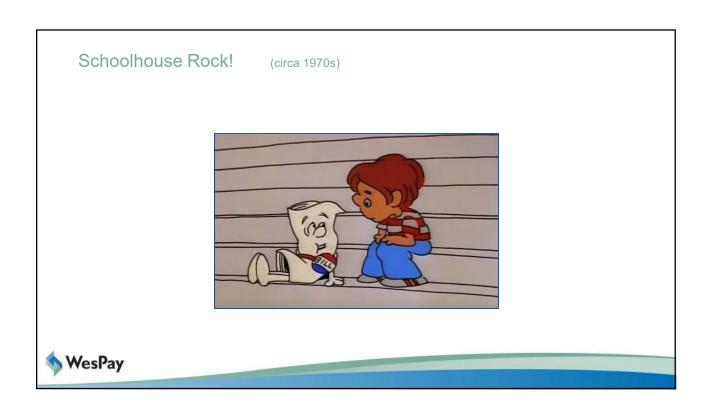
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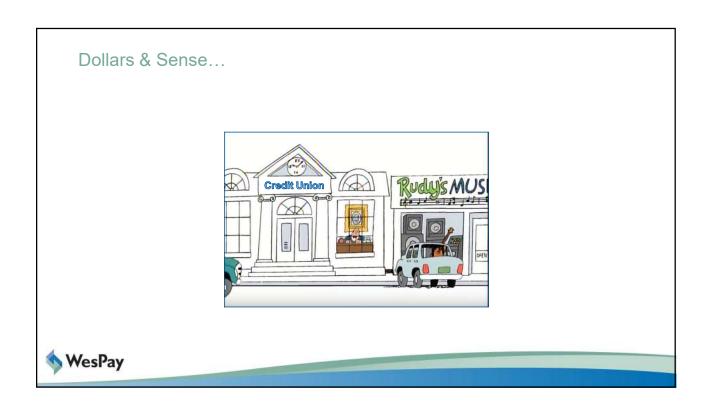
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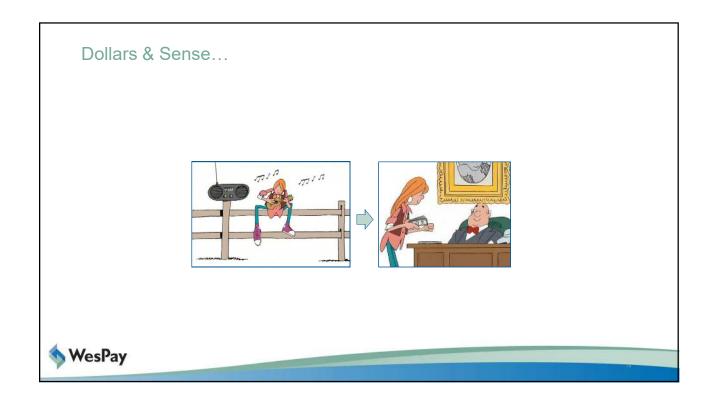
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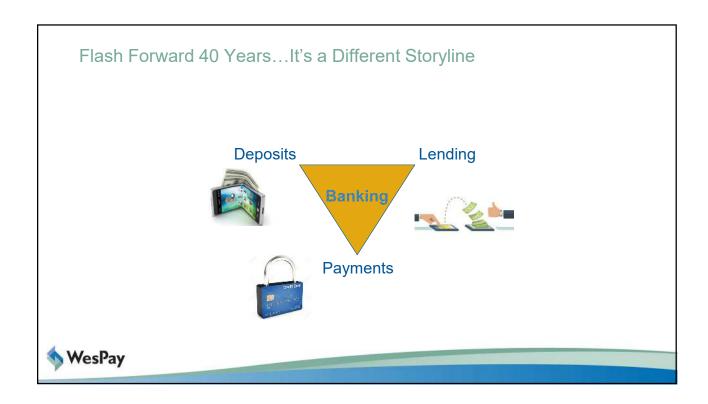


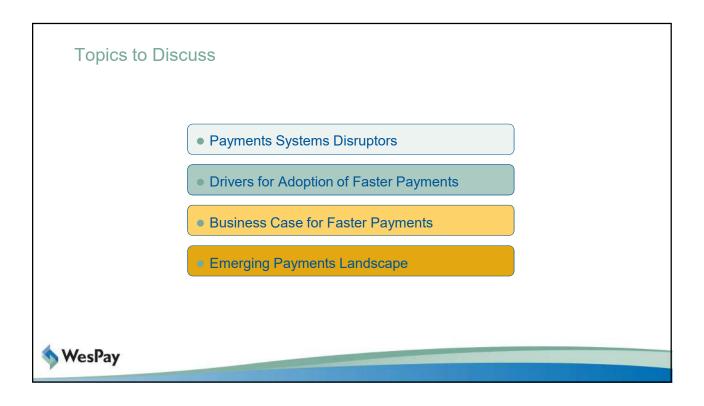


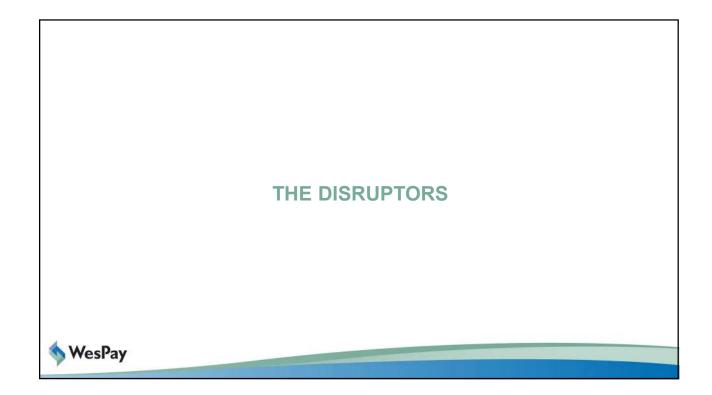


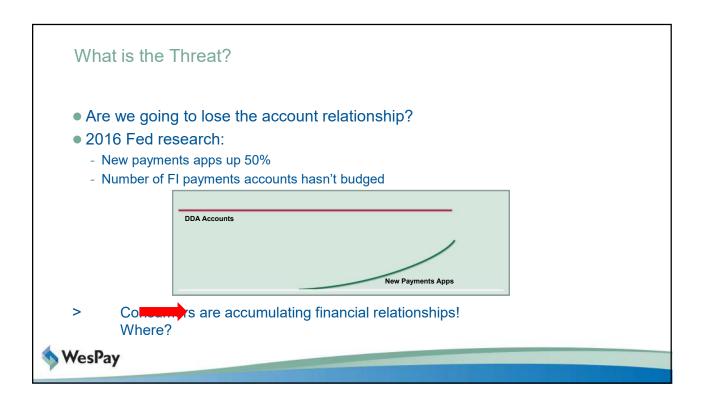














## **Second Generation Disruptors**



- Established in 1998
  - New ecommerce environment
  - Peer-to-Peer electronic payments
- Evolved to be a "Wallet" for commerce
  - Deteriorating deposits for FIs
  - For every \$3.00 transferred to PayPal
  - Only \$1.00 comes back



## **Fintech Disruptors**

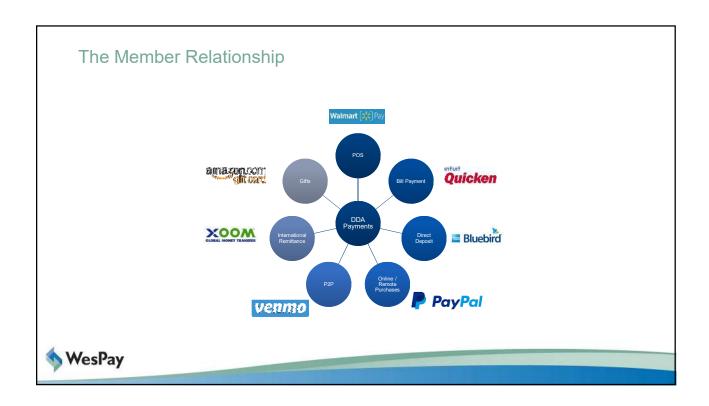
- Who is going to eat your lunch?
- Who do you worry most about?
  - Apple?
    - CryptoKit (Open Money)
    - Apple Pay?
  - Amazon?
  - Facebook?
    - Libra?
    - Calibra?

- Google?
  - Currencycloud?
  - Gpay?
- Square?
- Snapchat?
- Bitcoin?
- Alipay?









## THE DRIVERS



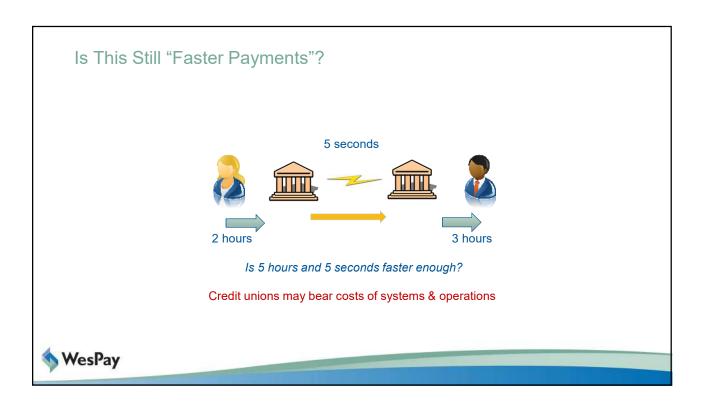


# Faster Payments – Some History

- Launched in the UK in 2008
- Growth fueled by online and mobile adoption
- A new phase of payments evolution
  - 24/7/365 real-time credit transfers
  - To virtually any UK account
- Brought opportunities and challenges
- Did not cannibalize wire revenue

The U.S. is lagging in payments innovation





## Faster Payments Momentum – Recent History

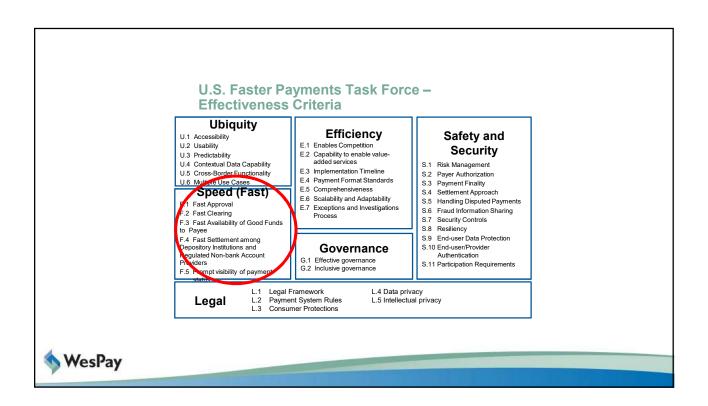
- There is global momentum
  - Nearly 20 countries have faster payments
  - Another 30 countries have programs in development
- Same Day ACH is the first <small> step in the U.S.
- Fed launched the Faster Payments Task Force in 2015
  - 300+ organizations participated
  - Supported by the Fed and McKinsey Consulting
  - Twenty-two organizations submitted proposals
  - Final study published in August 2017

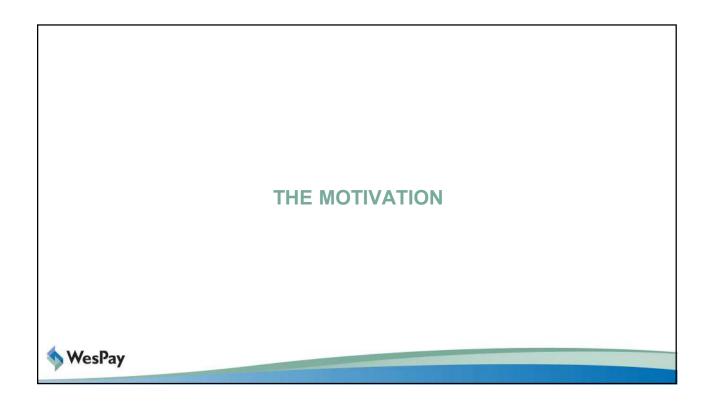
- Real-time payment systems
  - 2017 = 25 rtp systems
  - 9/2018 = 40 rtp rails were live
  - By 2020 = +16 more

# Real-time Gross Settlement (RTGS):

- RTGS Now in place:
  - Norway
  - Sweden
- U.S. Fed RFC for RTGS October 2018









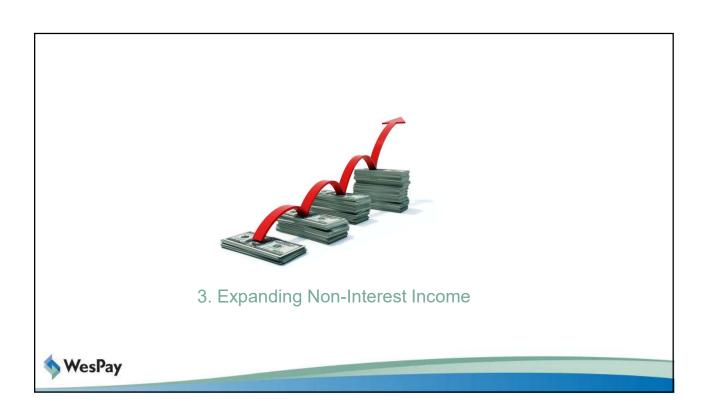
1. Retaining Member Relationships

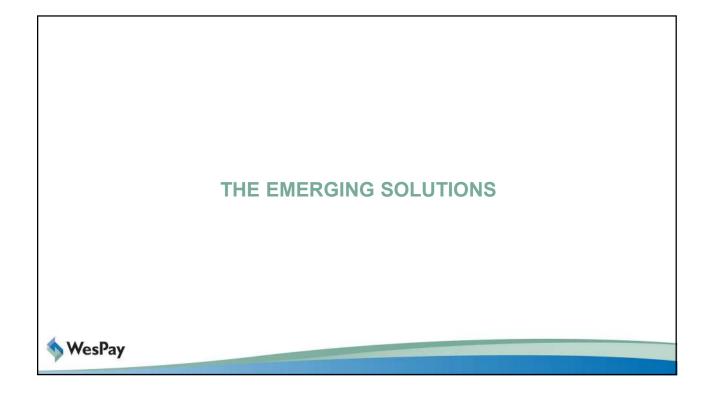


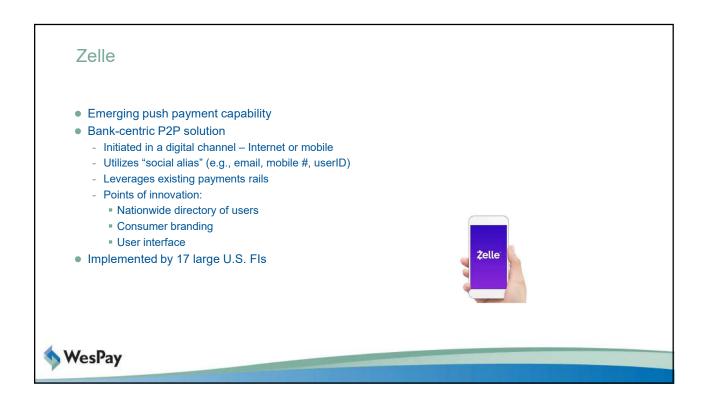


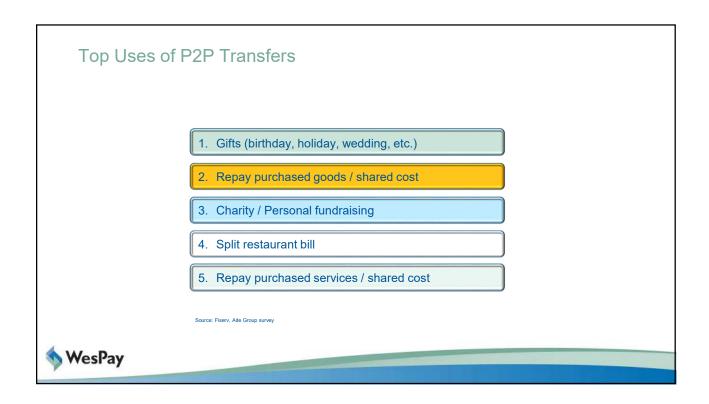
2. Retaining/Growing Core Deposits

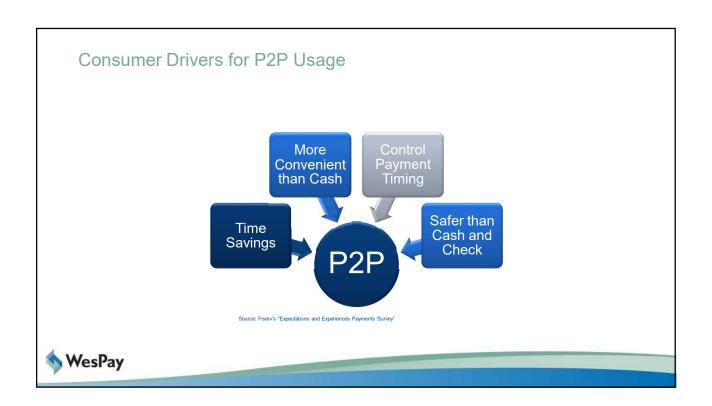


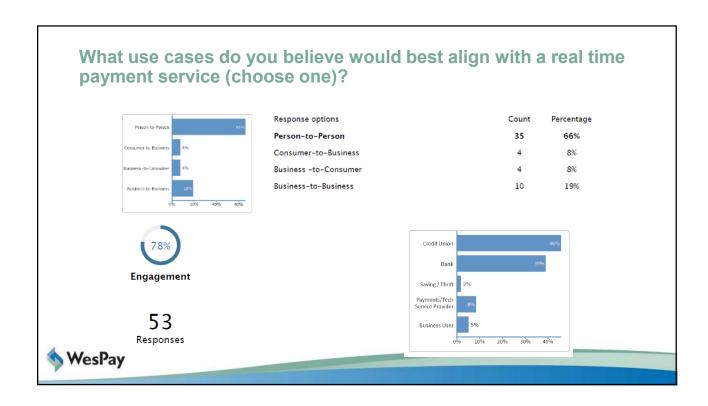












#### **REAL-TIME PAYMENTS**

In what timeframe do you expect your bank or credit union to offer a real time payments solution?

- A) Now
- B) Within 12 months
- C) 1 to 2 years
- D) 2 to 5 years
- E) > 5 years
- F) Not until the Fed offers a solution



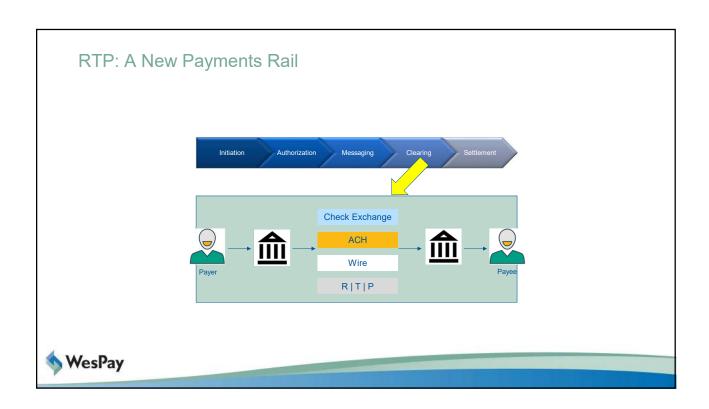
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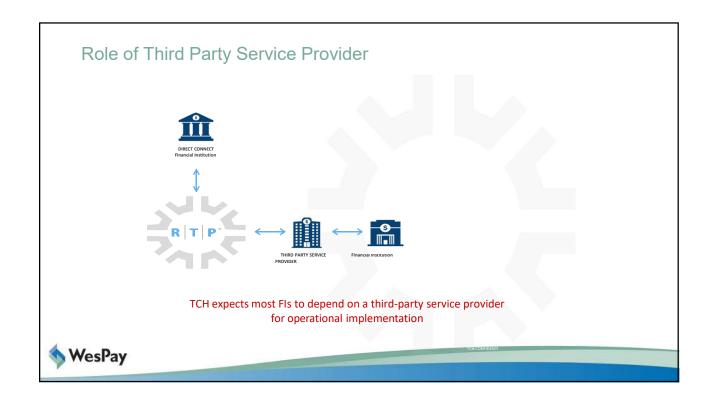
**REAL-TIME PAYMENTS (RTP)** 





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## Managing Fraud in "Real Time"

- Assumptions:
  - Credit-push is inherently safer
  - Real-time heightens risk sensitivity
  - Sender is first line of defense
- What are possible risks with the Sender:
  - Account Takeover #1 issue
  - Bad Payee
  - Instrument fraud N/A
- Approaches
  - KYC
  - Strong authentication

Thoughts about fraud as payments get faster?





# Federal Reserve: RFC on real-time payment service: (1) Real-Time Gross Settlement

#### Potential 24X7X365 RTGS Settlement Service

- Real-time, payment-by-payment interbank messaging and settlement in Federal Reserve accounts
- 24X7X365: Operating around the clock, every day (weekends and holidays)
- Full payment information (clearing and settlement) carried in payment message
- · Available to depository institutions eligible to hold a Federal Reserve account
  - Agents could submit payments on behalf of a depository institution
  - Access through Reserve Banks channels
- End-of-day balances recorded for each day of the week

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#### (2) Liquidity Management Tool

#### Potential Liquidity Management Tool

- A way to move money outside standard business hours between a master account and another Federal Reserve account used to support 24X7X365 real-time settlement service for faster payments
- Potential functionality:
  - Bank-initiated transfers
  - Agent-initiated transfers
  - Automatic transfers/standing instructions
- Thoughts about liquidity as payments get faster?

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#### NACHA's Response:

Remember the Role and Needs of ACH, as well as the broader Fed Role

- **Continue Fed enhancements to support more ACH settlement** options each day
- Design the liquidity management tool to support ACH
- If directories are considered, include more payment types
- Improvements to existing payment services can help the industry move forward incrementally and prepare for greater future change

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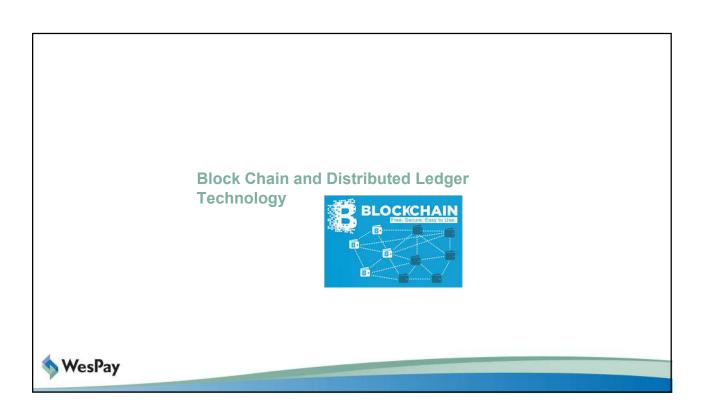
- Fed should play a role in faster payments
- Fed's proposed action to act as an operator will slow current faster payments momentum
  - Long term will aid broad adoption of faster payments in U.S.
- Fed's solution should not be restricted to the Faster Payment Service
  - Include ACH, wires, etc.
- Proposal will introduce significant complexity
  - Designed solution must be interoperable with other faster payments solutions
    - To allow community Fis to operate in safe and cost-effective manner



# CUNA's Response:



- Supports Fed developing real-time payments network:
  - Interoperable with private sector real-time payments rails
  - Require all FI's to develop capability to receive payments from Fed rtp network
  - Should include liquidity management tool
  - Continue to support legacy payments systems
  - Communicate quickly whether it will develop a real-time payments system
    - otherwise market is frozen

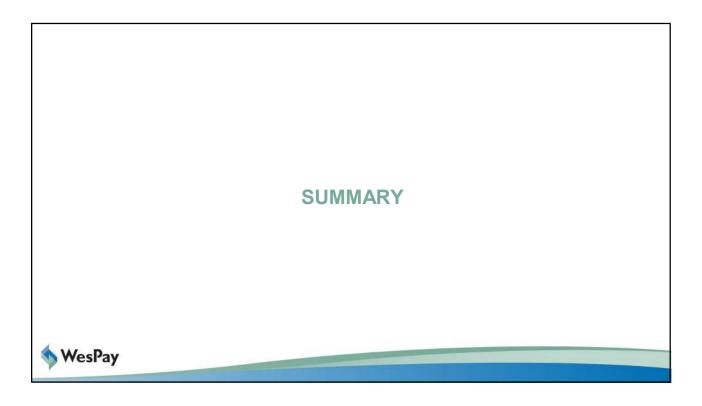


#### Blockchain

- What is blockchain?
  - Underlying technology
  - Many use cases; Bitcoin is one example
- Why it's getting so much attention
  - Uses Distributed Ledger Technology (DLT)
  - Records maintained in many places
  - Kept secure with sophisticated cryptography
- Simple way to remember
  - Blockchain is the rail
  - Bitcoin is the train riding the rails







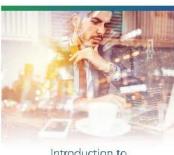


- Innovation There is no Lack of Choice
- Choose Wisely
  - Define your strategic frame
  - Look around you
  - Determine your timing
  - Choose your partners
  - Retain flexibility
- Keep a strategic focus





# NACHA and the Regional Payments Associations



Introduction to Faster Payments in the U.S.



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 Introduction to Faster Payments in the U.S.

- Foundational educational tool for FIs and businesses
- Provides base upon which to build ongoing education delivered by RPAs and NACHA
- Compares and contrasts various faster payment solutions by attribute



The Fed's "SIPS Report" and Their Industry Engagement Has Outlined Next Steps

(Strategies for Improving US Payment Systems)



- SIPS Report published January 2015
- Faster Payments Task Force Report Published July 2017
- Fed RFC on enhanced Settlement Services published October 2018

\* SIPS: Strategies for Improving Payment Systems

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- Education & Events
- Quarterly Member Updates
- Publications & Tools
- Connect Member Forum









- Payments Strategy Consulting
- Risk Management Reviews
- Treasury Management Services











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