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Chief Executive Officer / General Manager

All Banks
All Financing Companies
All Investment Firms Category 1 and 2
All Life Insurance Providers
All Trust Service Providers
Manama
Kingdom of Bahrain

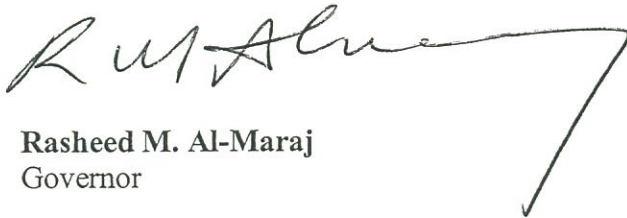
Dear Sir,

Re: Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) Registration

As a follow up to our earlier directives regarding the above subject, the Central Bank of Bahrain ("CBB") hereby instructs all licensees to register with the US Internal Revenue Service "IRS" as Foreign Financial Institutions "FFIs" under FATCA. The registration deadline has been extended from 25th April to 5th May 2014. All such licensees are required to register with the IRS before 5th May 2014 and to submit their Global Intermediary Identification Number "GIIN" to the CBB. The registration system can be accessed via: <http://www.irs.gov/Businesses/Corporations/FATCA-Registration>.

The GIINs must be sent to the CBB electronically to the attention of Mr. Ahmed Bumtaia, Director - Compliance Directorate at abumtaia@cbb.gov.bh. Should you have any queries in respect of any matter referred to herein, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Ahmed Bumtaia on Tel: 17 547 107.

Yours faithfully,



Rasheed M. Al-Maraj
Governor