or received them jointly as a gift, inheritance, or legacy or as a result of judicial proceedings, both persons must be named as coowners on the Series HH bonds.

(4) If the securities presented for exchange are in beneficiary form, the owner must be named on the Series HH bonds as owner or first-named coowner. If the owner is deceased, a surviving beneficiary must be named as owner or first-named coowner. In either case, a coowner or beneficiary may also be named.

(f) *Issue date.* Series HH bonds issued on exchange will be dated as of the first day of the month in which the eligible securities presented for exchange are redeemed by an authorized paying agent, as evidenced in the payment stamp on the securities and the exchange application.

(g) *Tax-deferred exchanges.* (1) Continuation of tax deferral. Pursuant to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, an owner who has not been reporting the interest on his or her Series E or EE bonds and savings notes on an accrual basis for Federal income tax purposes, and who exchanges those securities for Series HH bonds, may continue to defer reporting the interest on the securities exchanged until the taxable year in which the Series HH bonds received in the exchange reach final maturity, are redeemed, or are otherwise disposed of, whichever is earlier. A reissue transaction that affects any of the persons required to be named on the Series HH bonds, as set forth in paragraph (e) of this section, may result in termination of the tax deferral privilege.

(2) *Tax deferral legend.* Each bond issued in a tax-deferred exchange shall bear a legend showing how much of its issue price represents interest on the securities exchanged. This interest must be treated as income for Federal income tax purposes and reported in accordance with paragraph (g)(1) of this section.

(3) *Reporting of interest paid to owner.* To the extent that it represents interest earned on the securities presented for exchange, an amount paid to an owner in accordance with paragraph (d) of this section is reportable as income for Federal income tax purposes for the year in which it is paid. Pursuant to 26 CFR 1.6049.4, a paying agent is required to report interest income of $10 or more included in any amount paid in an exchange transaction to the payee and to the Internal Revenue Service on Form 1099-INT or an approved substitute. A separate report may be made for each exchange transaction in which interest in the amount of $10 or more is paid, or all interest paid in both cash redemption and exchange transactions may be aggregated and reported annually should the total amount be $10 or more.

(h) *Exchanges without tax deferral.* The rules prescribed for exchanges under paragraphs (a) through (f) of this section also apply to exchanges by owners who report the interest earned on their bonds of Series E and EE and savings notes annually for Federal income tax purposes, or elect to report all such interest that was not previously reported for the taxable year of the exchange. Series HH bonds issued in a nontax-deferred exchange shall show a ''0'' in the tax-deferral legend.

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§ 352.8 Reinvestment of matured Series H bonds.

(a) *General.* The proceeds of matured Series H bonds, whether purchased for cash or issued in exchange for other securities, may be reinvested in Series HH bonds. Tax deferral granted to interest earned on securities exchanged for Series H bonds may not be continued when the Series H bonds reach final maturity and their proceeds are reinvested in Series HH bonds. The amount appearing in the legend on a matured Series H bond on which tax deferral was granted must be reported for Federal income tax purposes for the year of such final maturity.

(b) *Rules.* The reinvestment transaction will be subject to the rules governing exchanges, as set forth in § 352.7 of this Circular, and the Series HH bonds issued on reinvestment will be identical in all respects with those issued in a non-tax-deferred exchange.

§ 352.9 Delivery of bonds.

Authorized issuing agents will deliver Series HH bonds by mail at the

risk and expense of the United States to the address given by the applicant, if it is within the United States, one of its territories or possessions, or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. No mail deliveries elsewhere will be made. Bonds acquired by a citizen of the United States residing abroad will be delivered only to such address in the United States as the applicant directs.

§ 352.10 Taxation.

The interest paid on Series HH bonds is subject to all taxes imposed under the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended. The bonds are subject to estate, inheritance, gift, or other excise taxes, whether Federal or State, but are exempt from all taxation now or hereafter imposed on the principal or interest by any State or any local taxing authority.

§ 352.11 Reservation as to issue of bonds.

The Commissioner of the Public Debt, as delegate of the Secretary of the Treasury, reserves the right to reject any application for Series HH bonds, in whole or in part, and to refuse to issue or permit to be issued any bonds in any case or class of cases, if the action is deemed to be in the public interest. The Commissioner's action in such respect is final.

§ 352.12 Waiver.

The Commissioner of the Public Debt, as delegate of the Secretary of the Treasury, may waive or modify any provision of this Circular in any particular case or class of cases for the convenience of the United States or in order to relieve any person or persons of unnecessary hardship if:

(a) Such action would not be inconsistent with law or equity;

(b) It does not impair any existing rights; and

(c) The Commissioner is satisfied that such action would not subject the United States to any substantial expense or liability.

§ 352.13 Fiscal agents.

(a) Federal Reserve Banks and Branches, referred to below, as fiscal agents of the United States, are authorized to perform such services as may be requested of them by the Secretary of the Treasury, or his or her delegate, in connection with the issue, servicing, and redemption of Series HH bonds.

(b)(1) The following Federal Reserve Offices have been designated to provide savings bond services:

Servicing office	Reserve districts served	Geographic area served
Federal Reserve Bank, Buffalo Branch, P.O. Box 961, Buffalo, NY 14240.	New York, Boston	CT, MA, ME, NH, NJ (northern half), NY (City & State), RI, VT, Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands.
Federal Reserve Bank, Pittsburgh Branch, P.O. Box 867, Pittsburgh, PA 15230.	Cleveland, Philadelphia.	DE, KY (eastern half), NJ (southern half), OH, PA, WV (northern panhandle).
Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, P.O. Box 27622, Richmond, VA 23261.	Richmond, Atlanta	AL, DC, FL, LA (southern half), MD, MS (southern half), NC, SC, TN (eastern half), VA, WV (except northern panhandle).
Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, 250 Marquette Avenue, Minneapolis, MN 55480.	Minneapolis, Chicago.	IA, IL (northern half), IN (northern half), MN, MT, ND, SD, WI.
Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, 925 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64198.	Dallas, San Francisco, Kansas City, St. Louis.	AK, AR, AZ, CA, CO, HI, ID, IL (southern half), IN (southern half), KS, KY (western half), LA (northern half), MO, MS (northern half), NE, NM, NV, OK, OR, TN (western half), TX, WA, WY, UT and GU.

(2) Until March 1, 1996, other Federal Reserve Offices may continue to provide some savings bond services, but such services will be phased out over the period prior to that date.

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§ 352.14 Reservation as to terms of offer.

The Secretary of the Treasury may at any time or from time to time supplement or amend the terms of this offering of bonds.