

## **UPDATE REGARDING AUTHENTICATION OF EXPOSURE EVIDENCE AND RELEASES**

For purposes of this update, “Electronically Signed” shall mean any document that has been signed utilizing DocuSign or similar Trust-authorized electronic signature program.

### **AUTHENTICATION OF EXPOSURE EVIDENCE**

The Trust will accept exposure evidence that is submitted pursuant to Section 5.6(b) of the TDP that includes all of the following: (i) it expressly states that it is made under penalty of perjury; and (ii) it is Electronically Signed; and (iii) it includes a certificate from the electronic signature program that provides an audit trail summarizing the electronic signature history.

The Trust will also continue to accept either: (i) affidavits in compliance with applicable state law; or (ii) declarations in the format prescribed by 28 U.S.C. § 1746.

### **RELEASE REQUIREMENTS**

The Trust will accept a release that is Electronically Signed provided that it includes a certificate from the electronic signature program that provides an audit trail summarizing the electronic signature history.

If the claimant does not provide a release that is Electronically Signed, the claimant’s signature must be authenticated by either: (i) a notary public; or (ii) the signature of one person (who may be related to the claimant by blood or marriage) who witnessed the signing of the release.