

# Positive Pay

By

People's United Bank

The goal is to protect the funds in our primary account with People's United Bank. The Bank offers 2 features that can assist in providing this protection: a) Check Payee Positive Pay and b) ACH Positive Pay.

## Check Payee Positive Pay

This is accomplished by providing the Bank with an electronic file associated with each warrant that contains the check number, amount of the check and the payee name. This information is compared with each check presented to the Bank for payment. Notification of exceptions is emailed to us to determine whether to pay or not pay. The cost of this feature is \$75 per month plus \$0.13 per check. We average approximately 75 checks per month. The estimated cost is \$1,017 per year.

## ACH Positive Pay

Similarly, ACH transactions are compared to previously authorized transactions. We maintain a list of authorized institutions with which we anticipate ACH transactions. We are notified of any unmatched items to determine whether to pay or not pay. Initially, the Bank will provide a list of institutions with whom we have done business in the past. We can add to and delete from this list. With time, the number of exceptions should be minimal. The cost for this feature is \$19 per month and \$5 per exception. The estimated cost is \$250 per year.

Since we maintain approximately \$1.5 million in this account and the existence of continuous attempts to access all electronic records, the cost above is a reasonable cost for protecting our financial assets.

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