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Your comment: I do not support the proposed increased hours of operations for wire transfers. Community banks would have a huge burden attempting to service the operational needs of processing wire transfers, including the cost of hiring staff for a second and third shift plus weekends and holidays. It's not just wire processing itself. Who would take those requests, who would handle fraud suspects? It's very systemic across an organization. Most core's do not process 24/7 or in real time. Settlement would be challenging. It would make balancing our cash position a nightmare, not to mention maintaining reserves in our Fed Account. I feel this is too late in game, with the evolution of TCH real time payments and FedNow instant payments. Although wires don't have the same restriction of dollar limits, most wires are generated by businesses and for a business purpose and align well with the M-F philosophy. Thank you for allowing us to share our concerns.