U.S. Bancorp Enterprise Preparedness Program Overview

U.S. Bancorp’s Enterprise Preparedness Program establishes and supports the organization’s Business Continuity and Contingency Planning Program. The program is designed to evaluate the impact of significant events that may adversely affect customers, assets, or employees. This program helps ensure that U.S. Bancorp can recover its mission-critical functions and applications, thereby, meeting its fiduciary responsibility to its stakeholders and complying with the requirements of the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council (FFIEC), the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) and the Office of the Superintendent of Financial Institutions (OSFI). In addition, U.S. Bancorp has met all recovery criteria as prescribed by the Interagency White Paper on Sound Practices to Strengthen the Resilience of the U.S. Financial System.

The U.S. Bancorp Board of Directors approve the U.S. Bancorp Enterprise Preparedness Policy annually, and key issues and status are reported to the Board and Senior Executives on a periodic basis.

Crisis Management (CM) manages and coordinates the enterprise response to adverse events that threaten to harm the organization, its stakeholders, employees, assets or reputation. The enterprise response focuses on the safety of all employees, customers and assets of U.S. Bancorp; minimizing disruption of service and/or inconvenience to customers; returning to a business as usual state as quickly as possible; and limiting any potential liability of the organization.

Additionally, CM maintains situational awareness and facilitates CM planning, conducts training, tests, exercises and maintains the emergency notification system. Crisis Management oversees the information flow between Lines of Business, tiered response teams and executive management. The tiered incident response teams consist of the following:

• Executive Crisis Management Team (ECMT)
• First Response Executive Team (FRET)
• International Response Team (IRT)
• Emergency Response Team (ERT)

The U.S. Bancorp Pandemic Preparation and Response Plan was developed in partnership with U.S. Bank executives, senior leaders, and other critical support departments to prepare for the possibility of pandemic flu in the same way that we
prepare for other events that could affect our employees, customers and our communities. The plan was prepared in communication with public officials, pandemic planning experts, various state and local organizations, and other financial institutions and businesses. The plan augments procedures already in place as part of existing U.S. Bancorp’s Enterprise Preparedness Program and outlines strategies to mitigate the impact of a pandemic upon the company, its employees, and customers.

U.S. Bancorp has resources dedicated to the Enterprise Preparedness Program and detailed Business Continuity Plans and Disaster Recovery Plans for the restoration of critical processes, applications, infrastructure, and operations. Key features of U.S. Bancorp’s planning process include:

• Employee safety strategies and communications/notifications
• Systems and telecommunications accessibility
• Alternate physical site location and preparedness
• Emergency notification processes and systems
• System and data backup and recovery
• Pandemic and high employee absenteeism

The Enterprise Readiness Services Department coordinates strategy, planning, testing, reporting and monitoring of the U.S. Bancorp’s Enterprise Preparedness Program across U.S. Bancorp. The Enterprise Readiness Services Department has set forth guidelines which incorporate industry best practices for: recovery of critical business units, recovery of technology and emergency and crisis management response and integrates the program into the overall U.S. Bank Risk Management framework.

• **Criticality Assessments** – The Criticality Assessments are used in the determinations of business process and application recovery time objectives which addresses impacts based on financial, operational, reputational and regulatory risk factors.

• **Business Impact Analysis (BIA)** – The BIA measures the effects of resource loss and escalating losses over time, in order to provide management with reliable data upon which to base risk mitigation and continuity planning. BIA is reviewed biennially in conjunction with plan.

• **Threat Vulnerability Assessment** – U.S. Bancorp's Enterprise Preparedness Program utilizes a Threat Vulnerability Analysis (TVA) process, biennially, to assess the risk of major natural hazard events and the impacts of those events on U.S. Bancorp corporate locations and the mission critical processes/technologies executed at those locations. This analysis drives strategic recovery planning for continuity of operations for these processes and technologies at the selected locations. The planning process assists in mitigating the potential concentration risk exposure of a single natural hazard or man-made event to any particular location or process.
• **Business Continuity, Disaster Recovery, and Vendor Service Plans** – The Plans are a documented collection of procedures and information that is developed and maintained to enable U.S. Bancorp to provide products and services at an acceptable predefined level in the event of a business, technology, or third party disruption. Recovery Plans are reviewed/approved, by senior management, biennially at a minimum or as changes occur to mission critical functions and applications or as a result of issues discovered during exercises/test.

• **Exercising/Testing** – All aspects of the plans are exercised/tested in accordance with regulatory requirements and U.S. Bancorp Enterprise Preparedness Policy Guidance, and to demonstrate the level of recoverability. This includes plan activation simulation, including recovery strategies, crisis management and response, business continuity processes, and critical infrastructure disaster recovery. Key mission critical applications are exercised on a quarterly basis. Business Continuity Plans are exercised on an annual basis. Mainframe data is mirrored and replicated to the hot site and server backups are stored off-site in a secured climate-controlled environment. All exercise testing is measured and reported with identified issues documented and remediated.

• **Audit** – Annual internal audits and periodic OCC/Federal Reserve exams are conducted on the U.S. Bancorp’s Enterprise Preparedness Program.

• **Board of Directors Updates** – Enterprise Readiness Services provides annual updates at a minimum on the status of U.S. Bancorp’s Enterprise Preparedness Program to the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of U.S. Bancorp.

• **Employee Training and Awareness** – Employee Training and Awareness includes biennial training courses, evacuation procedure awareness, and identifying employees’ roles and responsibilities during an adverse event. Clear communication during an event is vital. U.S. Bancorp employees who support mission critical operations and technologies are trained through participating in functional exercises of recovery plans.

U.S. Bancorp’s Business Continuity Plans are developed and maintained to address recovery strategies for such events as: pandemic/high employee absenteeism, technology outages, natural hazard impacts, etc. Below are examples of what might occur during an interruption of normal business operations.

In the event a business site becomes inaccessible, U.S. Bancorp presently employs the following recovery strategies for mission critical functions:

• **Transfer Work:** Work is transferred to another location that does the same business function or has been cross trained.
• **Relocate People within Business:** Team members are relocated to another site.
• **Relocate to Regional Recovery Center:** A location, other than normal facility, will be used to process data and/or conduct critical or necessary business functions.
• Vendor Work Area Recovery: An external site will be used for the recovery of mission
critical personnel and processes utilizing a third party owned location.
• Work from Home: Team members will work from home on a bank-owned device.

In the event of a Data Center outage, U.S. Bancorp utilizes an internal alternate data
center, which is geographically disbursed, and utilizes near real-time data replication on
an encrypted WAN connection to our recovery data centers within the prescribed
Recovery Point Objectives.

In the event of a major disaster at U.S. Bancorp that impacts your product or service, a
member of the Product/Service Customer Support Team will communicate with you.

Since it is impossible to anticipate every type of potential disaster, there can be no
assurance that there will be no interruption of the U.S. Bancorp’s business functions in
all circumstances. The mission of the U.S. Bancorp Enterprise Preparedness Program
is to minimize the impact of any disruption.

This overview is subject to modification by U.S. Bancorp at any time.