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### OTS LAUNCHES INTERNET SERVICE WITH AGENCY, INDUSTRY INFORMATION

WASHINGTON, D.C., Dec. 13, 1996 -- The Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) today announced its home page on the Internet, where users will be able to access information on the agency and the thrift industry it regulates.

"The new OTS Internet service is another step in our on-going commitment to improving customer service," said OTS Director Nicolas Retsinas. "The OTS web site provides quick, simple access to information useful to the public, the press and the thrift industry," he said.

The OTS home page is located at: <http://www.access.gpo.gov/ots/>.

Users can point and click to get:

- Quarterly industry financial data
- Descriptions of publications offered by OTS and instructions on how to order them
- An index of the news releases, legal opinions and other documents available from the OTS PubliFax (fax on demand) service.
- Asset & liability price tables, used by savings institutions to calculate interest rate risk.
- Recent OTS regulations via a link to the Federal Register.
- Key agency phone numbers
- Customer service plans, and
- Links to other financial institutions regulatory agencies.

OTS' Internet service was developed by a team headed by Catherine Teti, director of OTS Records Management & Information Policy Division. "This is just the first step in the evolution of the OTS web site," said Ms. Teti. "We hope users take advantage of the comment form provided on our home page or send comments to [web.master@OTS.treas.gov](mailto:web.master@OTS.treas.gov)."

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The Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS), a bureau of the U.S. Treasury, regulates and supervises the nation's thrift industry. OTS' mission is to ensure the safety and soundness of thrift institutions and to support their role as home mortgage lenders and providers of other community credit and financial services. For copies of news releases or other documents call PubliFax at 202/906-5660, or visit the OTS web page at [www.ots.treas.gov](http://www.ots.treas.gov).