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Loans containing alternative credit documentation have a much higher incidence of fraud and default when compared to loans with traditional credit references. Today's technology makes alternative credit documentation easier to produce with fraudulent intent. As a result, **UH Wholesale** has modified its policy as it relates to "Alternative Credit Procedures" in order to mitigate further risk to **UH Wholesale**.

Based upon the recommendations of FHA and previous audits, we have instituted the following policies which must be adhered to:

- 1. All original alternative credit letters must be signed by the individual who wrote the letter and must appear on letter-head or must clearly indicate the company name, address, access phone number and title of the signing party. **Email credit reference letters are not acceptable.**
- 2. If any company refuses to sign a credit letter such as Columbia Gas, a Processor certification may be acceptable as a "Limited Scope Exception". This exception will be on a case by case basis and must be acceptable to Underwriting.
- **3. UH Wholesale** does not accept print-outs showing the borrower's payment history. In lieu of, Processors may assist with certifications with major utility companies only.
- 4. Credit Agencies may update your credit report with alternate credit references with a credit score update file, provided documentation is forwarded to assist in completing the verification.
- 5. Continue to perform Processor Certifications as required to verify the authenticity of the letter. If anything falls within the "gray area", **UH Wholesale** will take a conservative approach.