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Sir Winston Churchill once said "if you are going through hell, keep going. If you have found yourself in this position the past year, just keep going, because "things are a changing".

FICO 08

The new FICO 08 scoring model is now available at all three of the bureaus. Here are some of the new features:

- Those with small blemishes on their record should benefit, while high-risk borrowers are likely to be losers.
- Minor delinquencies will be overlooked in calculating credit worthiness.
- Collections with original amounts of less than \$100 or less will no longer damage your credit score.
- There is more flexibility with missing a payment. Consumers are less likely to be penalized for any single delinquency if it occurred two or more years ago and if their credit history is otherwise unblemished.
- If you have a more habitual pattern of paying late, you are more likely to get penalized.
- The practice of "piggybacking", commonly used by credit repair companies, allows a person with a good trade to be paid to let a stranger also use that good trade by becoming an authorized user. FICO 08 will seek out these deceptive users and their score will not increase.

Even though it appears the FICO 08 will be beneficial, right now it has not been approved by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac. Hopefully, approval is just a matter of time.

Industry Trivia – submit a correct answer to the question below and receive a free credit report!

The sole purpose of the Red Flag Rule Compliance Program is to identify fraud.
True or False

Email response to news@onesourcecr.com

Little Known Facts:

The cruise liner, Queen Elizabeth II, moves only six inches for each gallon of diesel that it burns.

REMINDER, "RED FLAG RULE" Compliance Program

Just a reminder that the enforcement of the Red Flag Rule Compliance program will become effective November 1, 2009.

FYI - DISPUTED TRADE LINE

Increasingly we are hearing that if a tradeline has a consumer dispute notice, the file will not be approved until the dispute has been resolved.

- Consumer disputes must be dealt with directly by the consumer with the credit grantor.
- To have the dispute removed from the credit bureaus' data base, the consumer must obtain a letter from the credit grantor specifically stating:
 - "Account is no longer in dispute. Dispute notice will be removed from the account and the credit bureaus will be notified."
- With this letter, we can request the bureaus to update their data base and a new report can be pulled within 48-72 hrs.

THE LIGHTER SIDE



P.E.T.P.U.
People for The Ethical Treatment of Pumpkins

Pronounced pet-poo, an organization dedicated to the rights of pumpkins

