# **A2A Transfers**

# Transferring Funds between Financial Institutions

## **INTRODUCTION**

Account-to-Account (A2A) transfer capabilities in CU\*BASE, **It's Me 247** Online Banking, and **BizLink 247** allow members to initiate transfers between their credit union accounts and accounts at other financial institutions. A third-party vendor, Magic-Wrighter will provide the ACH system which will handle the movement of funds. Magic-Wrighter's tool is referred to as "On Demand Transfers" or ODT.

In order for a credit union to offer A2A transfer services, the credit union must be an ODFI (Originating Depository Financial Institution). Additionally, it is the credit union's responsibility to define the process by which it validates the other financial institutions information, such as R&T number to ensure accuracy in transfer of funds.



Want a quick snapshot of A2A features and the sign-up process? Check out the A2A brochure, available here: <a href="https://www.cuanswers.com/wp-content/uploads/A2ABrochure.pdf">https://www.cuanswers.com/wp-content/uploads/A2ABrochure.pdf</a>

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### Overview

Now your members can use It's Me 247 Online Banking and BizLink 247 to transfer money between their credit union accounts and their accounts at other financial institutions!

Account-To-Account (A2A) transfer capabilities are now available both in CU\*BASE, It's Me 247 online banking or BizLink 247. We have developed an interface to a third-party partner, Magic-Wrighter, which uses the ACH system to handle the movement of funds.

#### **CONFIGURATION OPTIONS**

A2A services can be activated via **Tool #569 Online/Mobile/Text Banking VMS Config.** You can activate either incoming or outgoing transfers, or both, setting maximum dollar amounts per day and per the last 30 days.

Member fees can also be configured, including the usual standard fee waivers for things like age, aggregate balance, and OTB accounts. You can charge fees separately for incoming and outgoing A2A transfers (you could, for example, make incoming transfers free or cheaper than outgoing transfers). Both Tiered Services and Marketing Clubs will include fee waiver options so you can control fees based on member relationships.

#### **MEMBER ENROLLMENT**

In order for a credit union to perform A2A transfers, a member first needs to work with a credit union MSR to set up the **relationship account**. This is a configuration in Tool #14 Member Personal Banker that includes the R&T and other details about the account at the other financial institution. Authentication is simply a matter of the credit union employee "approving" the relationship and setting up the record in CU\*BASE. Once this process is complete, the member can initiate transfers at any time with no further authentication needed.

- At this time transfers can only be made to financial institutions in the United States-transfers to non-domestic financial institutions are not allowed and your credit union will need to have a policy in place not to create these sorts of relationships.
- An OFAC Scan is run at the time the relationship is configured and an Audit Tracker is automatically created for the OFAC scan.
- Your credit union should establish and follow internal procedures for A2A transactions.

#### TRANSFERRING MONEY

You can configure whether your A2A program allows members to initiate debits (withdrawals from a CU account), credits (deposits to a CU account), or both. Then a member simply logs in to online banking and clicks Transfer Money to initiate a transfer, using the transfer wizard. There is also a separate feature in the CU\*BASE Phone Operator software so that a Call Center employee can initiate a transfer for a member as requested.

#### **PIB CONTROLS**

Access to A2A can be controlled by a member's PIB profile, including the ability for the member to set dollar limits and require a confirmation code before initiating a transfer. We have also added an A2A flag to the CU Default PIB Profile.

#### SETTLEMENT

Like other ACH Transactions, the A2A process is handled through your general ledger. Funds are transferred into and out of your ACH Settlement G/L Account as ACH files process. Funds transferred out of a member's account will be immediately evident. The actual transaction is held in your G/L Account until the ACH file is processed. Money transferred into a member account is not visible until the ACH deposits the funds two or more days later.

#### **CUT OFF TIMING**

Your credit union will work with Magic-Wrighter to choose a daily cut-off time for ACH transactions initiated through A2A. In the past the only choice was a cut-off of 12:00 noon ET, but recently Magic-Wrighter began offering later cut-off times, such as 7:00 PM ET.

CU\*Answers will transmit activity directly to Magic-Wrighter throughout the day immediately as it is posted by members in online banking. (This has nothing to do with Magic-Writer transmitting items to the Fed.

• Because it is immediately transmitted to Magic-Wrighter, it is difficult to cancel a transfer once it is posted, for example.

Then Magic-Wrighter will submit your credit union's items to the Fed based on your cut-off time. (The times available at the time of this manual's update are 4PM ET and 7PM ET.)

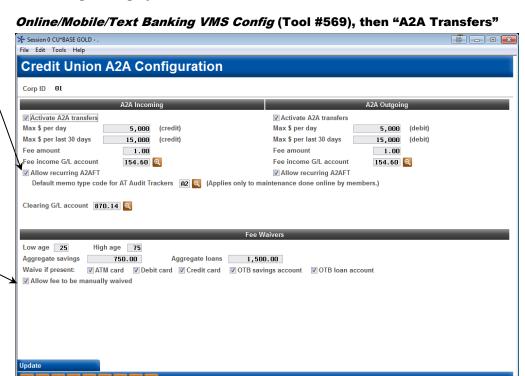
Contact Magic-Wrighter directly (<u>ieff.dean@mvpbanking.com</u>) to discuss choosing an appropriate cut-off time for your A2A activity.

# **CREDIT UNION CONFIGURATION**

Credit unions will need to activate A2A transfers to offer this service to their members. Within the configuration, credit unions can define separate minimum and maximum amounts for incoming and outgoing transfers, as well as separate settings for maximum daily and monthly transfers. Credit unions can offer one type of transfer free of charge, while charging for the other. Setting a maximum monthly threshold can work against money laundering through your credit union.

If this is checked, credit union employees and members will be able to set up Automated Funds Transfers (AFTs) to and from the member's A2A accounts. The tracker is used only to record changes made to the AFT by the member online, and the Tracker note will be attached to the account suffix where the funds are being pulled from (or being deposited to). You can activate A2AFT separately for incoming and outgoing AFTs, but the same memo type would be used in either case)

If this checkbox is checked, tellers will be able to waive fees, if any are configured to be charged, when processing A2A transfers using Phone Operator.



NOTE: Prior to activating this feature at the credit union level, it will need to activated in the Credit Union Master Profile in OPER. An "M" for Magic-Wrighter must be entered in the A2A Interface field.

The above screen allows the credit union to activate A2A for its members and to set default minimum and maximum transfer amounts, as well as fees for these transfers. The credit union must configure a G/L for the incoming and outgoing funds, as well as one for the fee income.

Refer to CU\*BASE Online Help for more information on the fields on this screen. To access the online help, click the bottom of the CU\*BASE screen.

This screen will activate A2A transfers for Phone Operator and is required for A2A transfers. You cannot offer A2A transfers in **It's Me 247** or **BizLink 247** without offering it in Phone Operator.

To offer this option to members in **It's Me 247** and **BizLink 247**, use **Tool #569** *Online/Mobile/Text Banking VMS Config*, and then select *A2A Transfers*. To activate the feature, check the boxes next to *Activate A2A* 

transfers. There are separate activation settings for incoming and outgoing A2A transfers, as well as to activate the AFT feature.

NOTE: A2A Transfers must first be activated in the CU Master Profile (OPER #10, #3) by typing an M (for Magic-Writer) in the A2A Interface field on the first configuration screen.

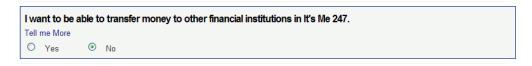
The credit union can also activate the ability for members and credit union employees to set up repetitive Automated Funds Transfers (AFTs) to and from A2A accounts. Additionally, the credit union can set up fee waivers for selected members.

NOTE: For members to set up AFTs with A2A accounts, your credit union must allow AFT in online banking.

### Session 0 CU\*BASE GOLD Edition - BEDROCK COMMUNITY CREDIT UNION File Edit Tools Help **Credit Union Default PIB Configuration** Corp ID 01 ▼ Transfer to other base accounts Max amount 999,999,999 ▼ Transfer within base account Max amount 999,999,999 Max amount 250,000 A2A transfers Max amount 999,999,999 (per day) ▼ Manage AFT transactions ▼ Manage CFT transactions Apply for loans Open checking/savings accounts Open certificate (CD) accounts ▼ View cancelled checks ✓ Manage personal information ▼ Pay bills online Please select the features you wish to include in your default PIB profile

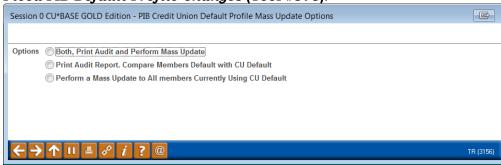
#### Online/Mobile/Text Banking VMS Config (Tool #569), then "PIB," third screen

Since the credit union has elected to offer A2A transfers, members have the option to allow or restrict A2A transfers in their PIB. However, if an individual member's PIB profile has this option turned to No (not allowing the transfers) and this sort of transfer will not be allowed.



Because of this the members cannot make transfers to other financial institutions. Therefore, the credit union must change the option to Yes and the credit union can do this using Tool #378 Flood PIB Default Profile Changes.

Flood PIB Default Profile Changes (Tool #378).



This option will allow you to make batch adjustments to existing PIB profiles and/or view a report of the members affected by the change. The mass update will affect only members who have accepted the default profile but have not customized their PIB profile and members who had their PIB profile set up by a credit union employee. If the member sets up a customized PIB profile online, this feature will not update their profile.

#### Three Options of Tool #378 Flood PIB Default Profile Changes

Description
Both, Print Audit and Perform Mass Update (B)
Print Audit Report, Compare Members with CU Default (P)
Perform a Mass Update to All Members currently using the default (U)

Using the options listed above, credit unions can change the member's PIB option to Yes, allowing the member to make A2A transfers. Once you have reviewed the members who will have their profile changed and are ready, use Perform a Mass Update to All Members currently using the default (U) or Both, Print Audit and Perform Mass Update (B) to flood the members to change the setting to the following:

• If member have elected not to allow A2A transfers (by manually adjusting their member PIB profile—if allowed), the credit union MSR will manually change this setting to allow them at the time the member is set up for A2A transfers. More about this on page 17.

### **MEMBER FEES**

The configuration is designed so that credit unions can offer different fees for incoming and outgoing transfers, for example making incoming transfers free or cost less than an outgoing one. The fee is taken from the same account from which the funds are outgoing or incoming; this fee cannot be taken from a different sub-share. A fee can bring an account to a negative balance, and standard fees (such as NSF fees), therefore, may be assessed.

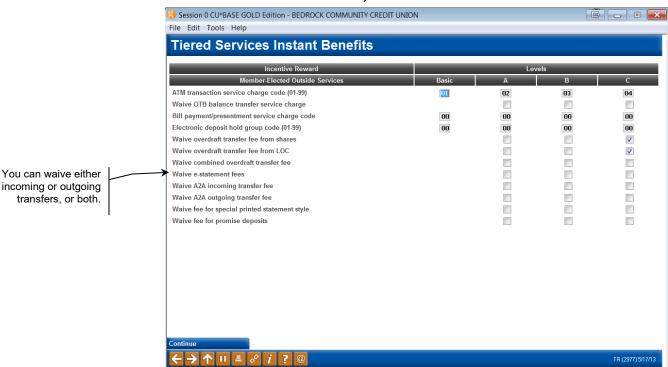
• In the case of an incoming loan payment, however, no fee is assessed.

Through the use of Tiered Services or Marketing Clubs, the credit union can waive that fee for selected members. Additionally, if this authority has been given, the teller can even manually waive the fee for the transfer when making the transfer in Phone Operator.

In the fee posting programs, Tiered Services or Marketing Club will be recorded as the reason for the waived fee if that is what caused the fee not to be charged. Any time the fee is waived this waived fee record is recorded in the Fee Waiver Information File (FWHIST) and can be viewed using **Tool** #371 Fee Waiver Information Report.

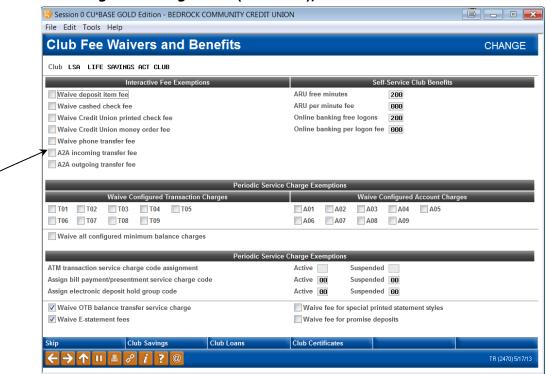
Waiving incoming and outgoing A2A transfer fees have separate settings, so a credit union can choose to offer one option but not the other. The option to waive fees with Tiered Services defaults to being unchecked (fees not waived), so use this setting if you wish to waive fees.

# Tiered Service Levels Program Config (Tool #853), then "Assign Tiered Service Level Instant Benefits," screen 2



As with waiving fees in Tiered Services, credit unions can use Marketing Clubs to make different waivers for incoming and outgoing A2A transfers. These options also default to unchecked (fee not waived), and must be activated in order for the waiver to be active.

#### Marketing Club Configuration (Tool #486), then "Fee Waivers and Benefits"

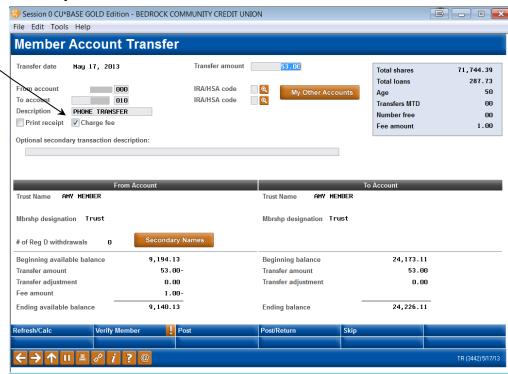


You can waive either incoming or outgoing fees, or both.

This credit union in the following image has given the teller authority to waive the fee during the transfer. This option can be selected when A2A transfers are configured for the credit union.

#### **Phone Operator Transfers**

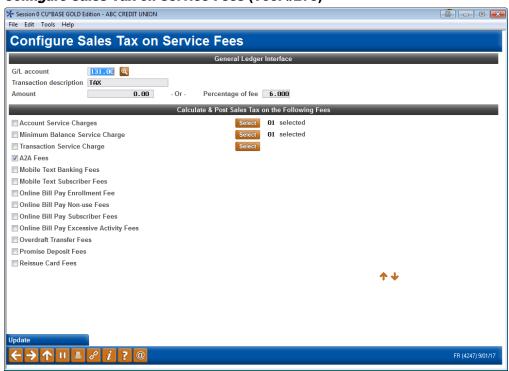
Here the teller can choose to uncheck the Charge Fee checkbox and remove the fee.



#### **SALES TAX**

If you are in a state where such tax rules apply, you can charge sales tax on fees. Taxes will then be charged to transfers initiated in CU\*BASE and in online banking. To configure sales tax use **Tool #273** *Configure Sales Tax on Service Fees.* (Shown below.) Refer to online help for more information.

#### **Configure Sales Tax on Service Fees (Tool #273)**



# **ENROLLMENT/SETUP PROCESS**

In order for the member to use A2A to transfer funds to another financial institution, the financial institution's information must be entered into CU\*BASE to form a **relationship** between the credit union member's account and the account at the other financial institution. These relationships will create an **A2A transfer control list** which will drive the teller's options when transferring funds in Phone Operator, as well as the member's options in **It's Me 247** and **BizLink 247**.

Relationships are designed to allow the member to either transfer money **to** another institution or receive funds **from** another institution, but not both in the same transfer. A separate fee is configured for incoming and outgoing transactions to allow the credit union to charge differently for each type of transfer. An OFAC scan is run once the relationship is set up.

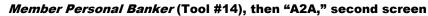
This sensitive information, such as account and R&T numbers will not be visible to the teller when making a transfer. Only the description is available when selecting the correct account.

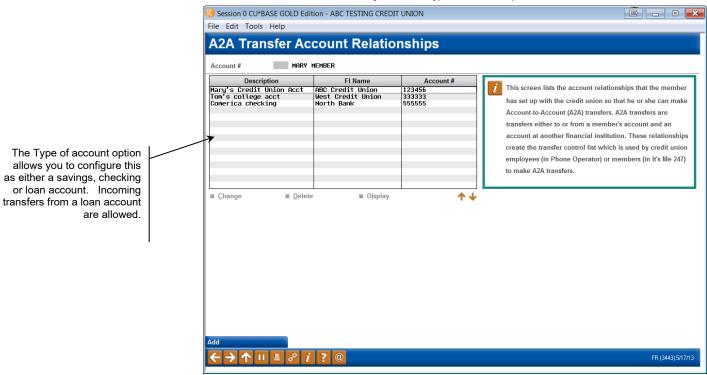
The credit union employee configures the relationship for the member using **Tool #14** *Member Personal Banker*. The member must work with a credit union employee to set up the relationship. Once it is created, the member can use **It's Me 247** or **BizLink 247** to make the transfer. Members cannot, however, create these relationships themselves in online banking.

#### Session 0 CU\*BASE GOLD Edition - ABC TESTING CREDIT UNION File Edit Tools Help **Member Personal Banker** Account # Date opened Jan 18, 1965 MARY MEMBER Agreement accepted May 09, 2013 F. Statements 000000 ☑ PIB 000000 eAlerts/eNotices E-statements (enroll or change enrollment status) Choose style for printed statements Bill Payment (enroll or change enrollment status) Bill Payment PIN reset Online banking/ARU (activate, change PIN/password; view password history) Online banking/ARU Transfer Control (update or add transfer accounts) See/Jump relationships (allow other members to access your account online) Personal Internet Branch (enroll or change PIB settings) PIB password reset (change PIB password or view PIB username) eAlerts/eNotices (subscribe or change settings; view eAlert history) A2A account relationships (add, modify, or remove relationships) Email address maintenance Reset online banking security questions Mobile banking (view member access and mobile devices) Debit card round up (enroll or change transfer account) Reg E opt in/out preference Promise deposits (subscribe or change status) FR (2640) 5/17/13

#### Member Personal Banker (Tool #14), then "A2A"

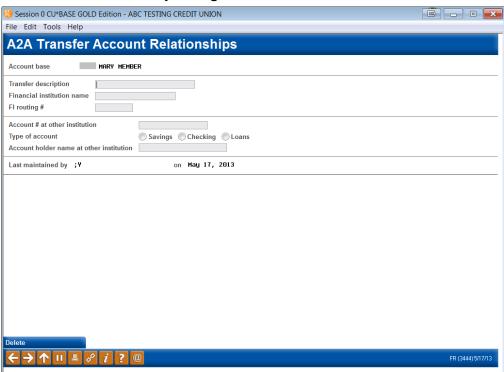
On the previous screen, check the box in front of *A2A account relationships* (add, modify, or remove relationships) and press Enter to move to the second screen to view a list of the relationships that the member already has configured.





To create a new account relationship, simply use Add (F6).

#### **A2A Account Relationship Configuration Screen**



Refer to CU\*BASE Online Help for more information on the fields on this screen. To activate the online help, click on the bottom of the CU\*BASE screen.

Using this screen the credit union employee first will enter a description that tellers and the member will use when making the transfer. This secures the rest of the financial information needed for this relationship since it is the only information the teller or member sees when making an A2A transfer. All of the other information is used only for the configuration.

The member must provide the information about the other financial institution, including the financial institution's name, routing number, and the account number of the person at the other institution. The type of account (savings, checking, loan) is also needed at this time as well as the name of the person at the other institution.

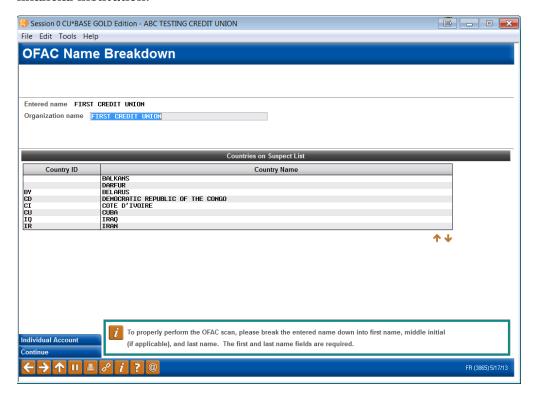
**Note**: Be sure to add both the account number and suffix in this screen. Signifying an account as a checking account does not automatically enter your suffix range.

**Note:** The system will allow a member to transfer money to an outside loan account. It will not, however, allow a member to transfer money out of a loan account. If a relationship is designated as a loan account, the account will not appear as an option when a teller or member selects the **transfer from** account.

Once the relationship has been configured, this relationship can be used by a credit union employee in Phone Operator. It can also be used by a

member in **It's Me 247** or **Bizlink 247** to transfer money in and out of an account at another financial institution.

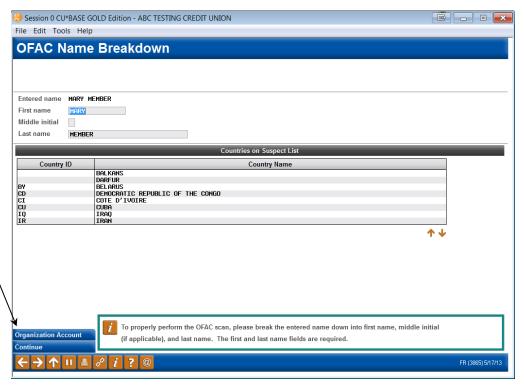
Once you press Enter CU\*BASE will run an OFAC scan on the outside financial institution.



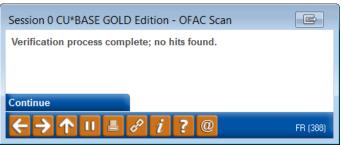
Press Enter to verify this institution.



Next, Press Enter to run an OFAC scan on the individual. Press Enter to run the verification.



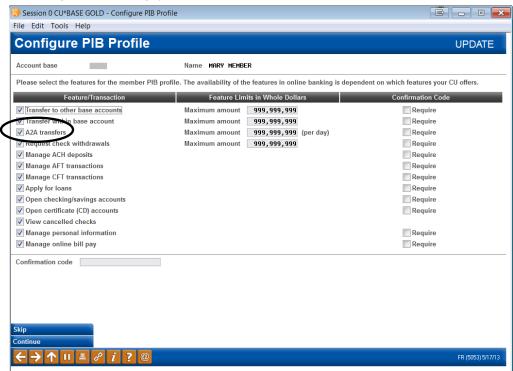
If the organizational OFAC screen is needed, use Organizational Acct (F9).



#### **Ensuring the Member's PIB Controls Allow A2A Transfers**

Now that the relationships are created, there is one additional step that to ensure that the member can make the A2A transfers online in **It's Me 247** or **BizLink 247**. Return to **Tool #14 Member Personal Banker**. This time select *Personal Internet Branch (enroll or change PIB settings)*.

Member Personal Banker (Tool #14), then "Personal Internet Branch (enroll or change PIB settings)," third screen



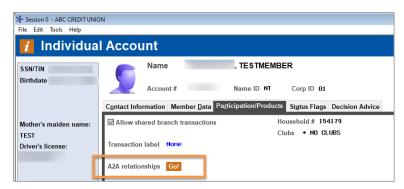
Make sure that the checkbox next to A2A transfers is checked.

This is also the location to enter a confirmation code if the member wishes to add one at any time.

**Press Enter twice** to move to the PIB confirmation page. Then click *Apply and Send* (F5) to save any changes that are made or to exit this screen.

#### QUICKLY KNOW IF YOUR MEMBER IS USING YOUR A2A SERVICES

Your tellers and MSRs can quickly access a member's Account-to Account relationships they have with your credit union by the **A2A relationships** in the **Participation Products** section of the Inquiry, Phone Operator, Member Transfers (Tool #516) and standard Teller (Tool #1). This will take them to a view-only version of the A2A transfer screen shown on page 13.



If the member does not have an A2A relationship, this will be indicated by the word "NONE."

# Incoming/Outgoing Transfers (CU\*BASE)

Once A2A transfers are activated by the credit union and the relationships are configured, both tellers (in Phone Operator only) and members (in **It's Me 247** online banking and **BizLink 247** will be able to initiate transfers with other financial institutions. This section will cover the actual transfers and how they are made in CU\*BASE, **It's Me 247**, and **BizLink 247**.

With outgoing transfers, the money will immediately be removed from the members account. The member will immediately see a record in **It's Me 247** or **BizLink 247** (or transaction history in CU\*BASE) documenting the transfer, as well as a record for the fee (if one was charged). Transfers will not be made if the member's account does not contain sufficient funds for the transfer, but the transfer will still be made even if the transfer **fee** takes the member's account to a negative balance. The person receiving the transfer will receive the money according to normal ACH activity.

With either incoming or outgoing transfers, the transfer is made by the system immediately. If the transfer is an outgoing transfer, the money is transferred out of the members account immediately and is placed in the G/L account (that was configured when A2A processing was configured for the credit union) and then transferred during normal ACH processing. Incoming funds are not credited to the members account until they arrive from the other financial institution, but the fee is debited at the time of the transfer. Incoming transfers will also follow standard ACH activity.

With incoming transfers, a \$0 transaction entry will appear in the member's transaction history in CU\*BASE when the transfer is made. Use Phone Operator History, then Additional Transaction Information to view the details.



When the actual transfer is made by the other financial institution, the member will see a record of the transfer itself. If a fee is charged for the transfer a fee transaction will immediately appear in the account summary.

Once the transfer is made, the credit union cannot cancel the transfer via CU\*BASE. Because of this, transfers cannot be reversed. The member will receive a warning about this when making a transfer online. *Depending on* 

the timing of the transfer, Magic-Wrighter may be able to help you set up a return transaction. Contact your Magic-Wrighter representative for assistance.

#### **Note on Transfers (ACH and Failed Transfers)**

If for some reason the ACH transfer does not process correctly and bounces back (perhaps a number was incorrectly keyed when the relationship was set up), Magic-Wrighter will return the transfer request to avoid complications with the other financial institution. These failed transfers are recorded on the LMBRA2AEXP report in CU\*SPY. Fees for these transfers must be manually reversed.

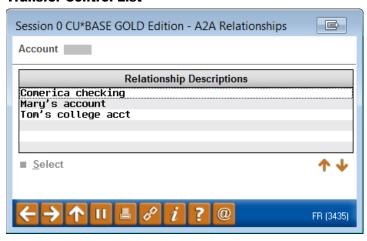
#### **CU\*BASE Transfers with Phone Operator**

Tellers will only be able to process A2A transfers in Phone Operator. First the teller enters Phone Operator and selects the member account that is involved in the transfer and selects the Transfer option. From this screen the teller selects to make an incoming or outgoing transfer by selecting the function keys to the right: A2A In (F11) or A2A Out (F12).

#### **Transfer Screen** ⇔ Session 0 CU\*BASE GOLD Edition - ABC TESTING CREDIT UNION B - 0 X File Edit Tools Help **Member Account Transfer** Transfer date May 17, 2013 Transfer amount IRA/HSA code 046 **Q** To account 000 IRA/HSA code Description PHONE TRANSFER Print receipt Charge fee Use A2A In (F11) or **A2A Out (F12)** to make incoming or outgoing A2A transfers. FR (3442) 5/17/1

Once either A2A In (F11) or A2A Out (F12) is selected, the transfer control list for the member appears so that the teller can select the correct account to either transfer funds from or funds to.

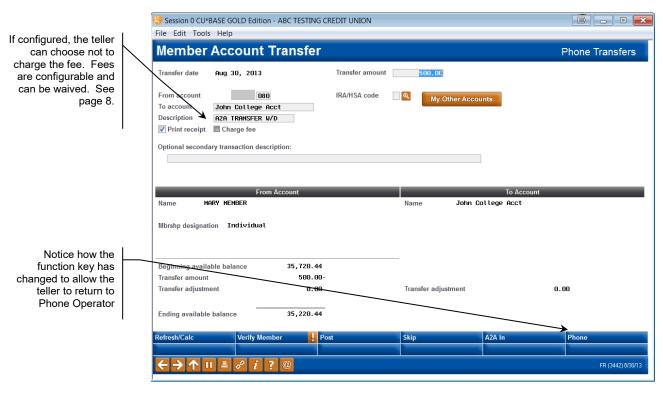
#### **Transfer Control List**



If the transfer is an incoming transfer, accounts that have been configured as loan accounts will not appear on the list.

The credit union simply selects the account at the other financial institution involved in the transfer by double clicking on the selection or by selecting the account and choosing Select. The teller can only see the description that was entered when the relationship was configured. No financial information appears in the list.

The Phone Operator transfer screen returns and the teller then can enter the amount of the transfer. If a fee will be charged, the fee will appear in the calculation. If the teller can override the fee, the checkbox will not be grayed out and the teller can uncheck it.



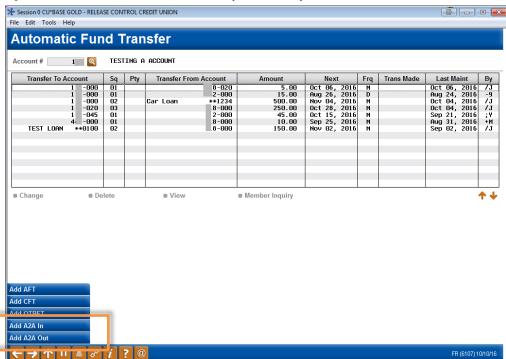
The teller simply posts the transaction as usual and the transfer is processed using normal ACH processing. If the transfer is an outgoing transfer, the funds will be removed immediately and the member will see a

record of the transfer, plus any fee that was assessed on his or her account summary page. If the transfer is an incoming transfer, a zero (0.00) dollar transfer record is recorded in the transfer history until the money is deposited from the other financial institution's account. When the money arrives from the other institution, it is deposited in the member's account and the zero (0.00) dollar transaction record is removed from the account transaction history and is replaced with a record for the amount of the deposit.

# SCHEDULED TRANSFERS USING CU\*BASE AUTOMATED FUNDS TRANSFERS (AFTs)

If configured in the Account-to-Account configuration, employees can set up scheduled AFT transfers to accounts with A2A relationships. (Separate controls in the A2A configuration activate transfers in and transfers out. This screen is shown in page 5.)

- Refer to the Member-facing section of this booklet to see what members see when they set up transfers in online banking. A special message is provided to members scheduling incoming AFT transfers.
- The Member-facing section also covers the Audit Trackers that are made when members make, edit or delete an AFT with an A2A account. These Tracker entries are not generated when an employee sets up an AFT for a member.



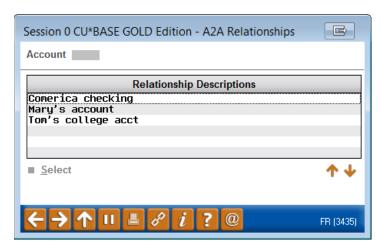
#### **Update Auto Transfer Information (Tool #884)**

The screen shown above is the first screen used to create or modify instructions for Automated Funds Transfer (AFT) records. Additional buttons conditionally appear once an account number is entered and Enter is used. (These are shown in the example.) "Add A2A In" and "Add A2A Out"

buttons appear only if the member has an account with an Account-to-Account (A2A) feature relationship.

• AFTs with A2A accounts appear with asterisks in front of the account number on the previous screen.

If either the "Add A2A In" or "Add A2A Out" buttons is selected, the employee will first advance to a screen allowing them to select the A2A account associated with the transfer.



If the transfer is an incoming transfer, accounts that have been configured as loan accounts will not appear on the list.

Once the account is selected, the employee will advance to the other AFT screens. Learn more detailed information about AFTs in the <u>Automated</u> Funds Transfer/Check Funds Transfer booklet.

#### **Processing**

These AFTs are processed according to your configuration on when AFTs are processed. However, AFTs with A2A accounts are processed after AFTs with accounts at your credit union. Refer to the Answer Book items below for more information.

#### **Related Answer Book Items**

I hear Account to Account (A2A) transfers are processed differently if they are sent "Right Away" versus if they are scheduled for a future date. Please explain the difference.

Members and staff can transfer funds with Account-to-Account (A2A) transfers two different ways.

- "Right away"
- Scheduled for a future date. These transfers use the Automated Funds Transfers (AFT) feature.

A2A transfers may need to be initiated or scheduled <u>before</u> the day the member wishes for them to be processed. (See below for details.)

#### **Right Away Transfers**

"Right away" items are moved to the A2ATRANS file which is monitored approximately every 15 minutes for new transfers. When a transfer is found, it is sent to Magic-Wrighter for processing. If the transfer is received by Magic-Wrighter before 12:00 PM ET, the transfer may be posted (depending on the credit union configuration) in the third daily ACH batch file posting processed by CU\*BASE. Transfers received by Magic-Wrighter after 12:00 PM ET are not processed until the next day. (SEE ALSO: Additional Considerations)

#### **Scheduled Transfers**

These items are processed during end-of-day or beginning-of-day processing, depending on when the credit union is configured to process AFTs. Transfers are sent in a batch to Magic-Wrighter at this time. Because of this, the transfer may be processed by Magic-Wrighter on the day after the scheduled transfer date of the AFT. (SEE ALSO: Additional Considerations)

#### **Additional Considerations**

As mentioned above, several factors affect the transmission of A2A transfers. In addition, since A2A transfers are processed via ACH, A2A transfers are not transmitted to other financial institutions on weekends or federal holidays observed by the Federal Reserve. Finally, other financial institutions' procedures for handling ACH transactions can vary, and this may also cause delays.

Also refer to these Answer Book items:

• How is the Priority setting in Automated Funds Transfer (AFT) handled when the transfer is to or from an account that is not a CU\*BASE account?

AFTs with A2A accounts are processed after regular AFTs (ones with accounts within your credit union). Read more in the Answer Book item above for more information.

• What happens when there are insufficient funds for a scheduled recurring Automated Funds Transfer (AFT) when the transfer is to an "off the books" (A2A or OTB) account? What happens when there are insufficient funds for the desired transfer amount?

A2A AFTs require that the full funds are available for the transfer to be made. Read more in the Answer Book item above for more information.

 How should I handle outgoing AFTs to an account set up with the Account to Account (A2A) feature if the From account is a certificate, IRA, or HSA account?

AFTs from these types of accounts require the use of a sweep account. Read more in the Answer Book item above for more information.

What reports can I use to monitor my Automated Funds Transfers (AFTs) with accounts that are not on CU\*BASE?

Instead of finding A2A AFT records in the TAT reports (which list regular AFTs), separate reports TATA2A records A2A AFTs. Read more in the Answer Book item above for more information.

How do I identify transactions in the TRANSF file that are to or from A2A or OTB accounts?

A2A AFTs can be identified easily in the TRANSF file. The TRANSF1 file records that are associated with A2A accounts are listed with all 9s followed by a 7 in the account field (999999997). This could be in the To or From field.

My credit union has activated scheduled Automated Funds Transfers (AFTs) with the CU\*BASE Account to Account feature. How do I turn this feature off?

Careful consideration should be taken when turning on this feature, and deactivation requires CSR assistance. Read more in the Answer Book item above for more information.

# WHAT THE MEMBER SEES

If A2A relationships are set up by the credit union members can also transfer money to and from accounts at other financial institutions. They cannot, however, set up the relationships themselves in **It's Me 247**. They must contact their credit union and have a credit union service representative configure the relationship.

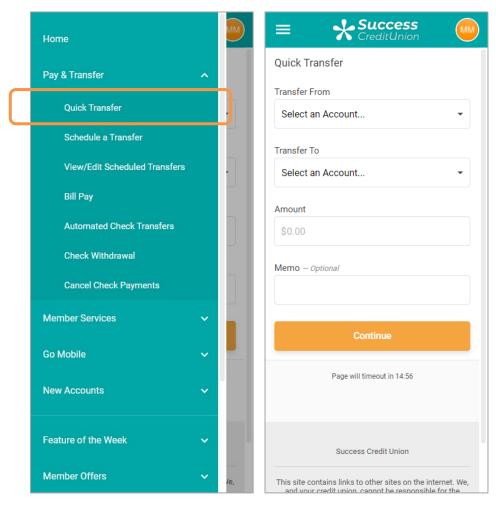
In order to make an Account-to-Account transfer, the member must go to the Transfer page, which walks the member through the four steps of creating a transfer.

NOTE: The experience of picking an external account for an Account to Account transfer (A2A) in **BizLink 247** is the same as this experience.

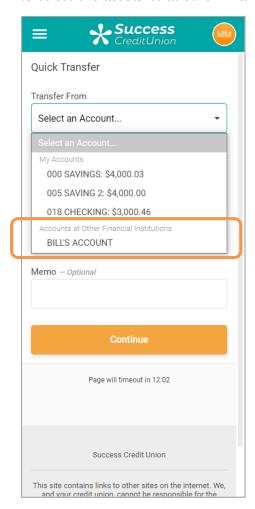
#### "RIGHT AWAY" TRANSFERS VIA THE TRANSFER WIZARD

(Also see Answer Book item on page 23 that discusses "right away" versus scheduled A2A transfers.)

Credit unions can elect to allow members to make "Quick Transfer" transfers (although behind the scenes ACH processing rules apply). In the first step the member selects "Quick Transfer."

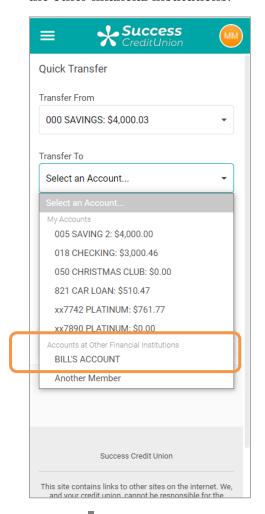


Next the member to select the account the money is coming from. If the member scrolls to the bottom of the available accounts, he or she will be able to select the accounts at other financial institutions.

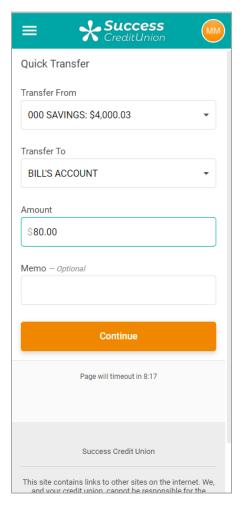


The system will not allow a member to make an outgoing transfer from an account configured as a loan account. An account configured in this manner will not appear on the list of "from" options.

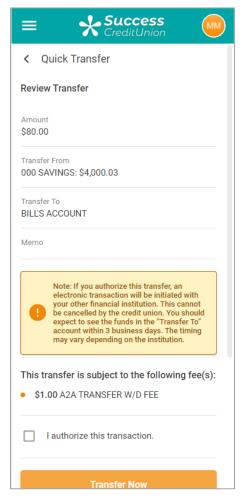
In the next step the member selects the account to transfer to. Again, if the member scrolls to the bottom of the list, he or she will see the accounts from the other financial institutions.



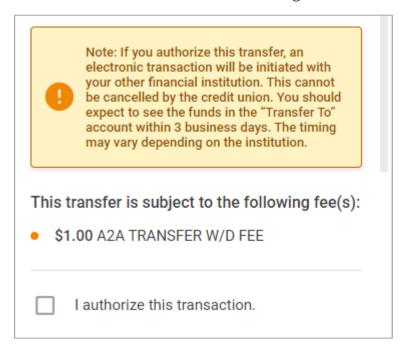
The system will not allow transfers between two outside financial institutions. At least one account must be at your credit union. The member will receive an error message if he or she tries to do this asking the member to pick at least one account from your credit union. In the final step the member enters the amount of the transfer.



At this point the member enters and amount and scrolls to the bottom of the page and select *Continue*.

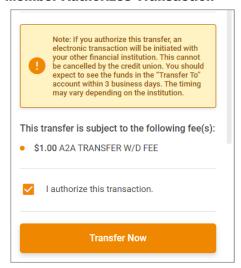


On this page, the member will be able to read the instructions for cancelling the AFT as well as see the fee if one is charged:



The member will then check a box in front of the sentence "I authorize this transaction" to authorize the transfer.

#### **Member Authorizes Transaction**



Then the member clicks Transfer Now. (If the member has a confirmation code from a PIB (Personal Internet Branch) configuration, the confirmation code will need to be entered at the top of this screen.)

NOTE: The transfer is automatically sent to Magic-Writer at this time. Magic-Wrighter will submit your credit union's items to the Fed based on your cut-off time. (The times available at the time of this manual's update are 4PM ET and 7PM ET.)

#### SCHEDULED AFT TRANSFERS IN ONLINE BANKING

(Also see Answer Book item on page 23 that discusses "right away" versus scheduled A2A transfers.)

#### **Activation**

If activated in the A2A configuration (shown on page 5), members can set up scheduled incoming and outgoing AFTs (to and from accounts with A2A relationships). The same separate controls that activate incoming and outgoing AFTs in CU\*BASE also activate the ability for members to create AFTs.

• NOTE: Additionally, your credit union must allow members to create AFTs in online banking.

The A2A configuration (shown on page 5) requires that the credit union create a special Memo Type for online A2A AFTs. This is used to record changes members make to AFTs with A2A accounts. Tracker records on the members Audit Tracker record when the member creates, edits or deletes the AFT. See the following page for examples.

#### Member Setup

To schedule an AFT, the member picks any frequency other than "Right Away." The process then for scheduling the AFT follows the same directions as setting up a "Right Away" transfer with one exception that applies to incoming AFTs only.

On the confirmation page, the directions for incoming AFTs are different than the ones for incoming AFTs. This is due to the fact that there may be a time difference as the money comes from the other financial institution into your member's account.

#### **Outgoing (same as Right Away)**



Note: If you authorize this transfer, an electronic transaction will be initiated with your other financial institution. This cannot be cancelled by the credit union. You should expect to see the funds in the "Transfer To" account within 3 business days. The timing may vary depending on the institution.

#### Incoming



Note: If you authorize this transfer, electronic transactions will be initiated with your other financial institution according to the instructions shown above. You should expect to see the funds in the "Transfer To" account within 3 business days of the date on which the transfer is initiated. Timing will vary depending on the institution. Automated transfers may be initiated on the first subsequent business day following a holiday or other non-business day. If you wish to cancel a future transfer, you must do so at least one day before the next regularly scheduled transfer date. Once a transfer is initiated, it cannot be cancelled by the credit union.

• Refer to page 24 for Answer Book items that cover other special circumstances that apply to AFTs with A2A accounts. (This is included in the section on setting up an AFT in CU\*BASE.)

#### Tracker Record in the Member's Audit Tracker

As mentioned previously, your credit union is required to enter a Memo Type in the A2A configuration when activating scheduled Automated Funds Transfers (AFTs) with A2A accounts. This is used to record a Tracker entry on the member's Audit Tracker each time they add, change or delete an AFT to or from an account with an A2A relationship. Below are examples of these Trackers.

#### Created

```
Contact - Date: 10/11/2016 Time: 10:16:07 By Emp: 96

Name: TESTING A ACCOUNT Memo Type: A2 a2a

Recurring A2AFT CREATED on 10/11/2016 (Incoming) ****1234 by 96.

Transfer Amount: $100.00, processed: MONTHLY, transfers made 0 of 999.

Seq#: 3, Priority#: 1, next transfer date: 10/15/2016.

Transfer last maintenanced 10/11/2016 by 96.
```

#### **Changed (Adjusted amount of transfer)**

```
Contact - Date: 10/11/2016 Time: 10:16:39 By Emp: 96
Name: TESTING A ACCOUNT Memo Type: A2 a2a
Recurring A2AFT updated on 10/11/2016 (Incoming) ****1234 by 96.
Transfer Amount: $200.00, processed: MONTHLY, transfers made 0 of 999.
Seq#: 3, Priority#: 1, next transfer date: 10/15/2016.
Last Transfer Amount $.00 .
Transfer last maintenanced 10/11/2016 by 96.
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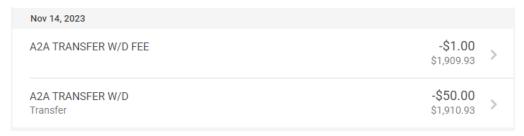
#### **Deleted**

```
Contact - Date: 10/11/2016 Time: 10:16:47 By Emp: 96
Name: TESTING A ACCOUNT Memo Type: A2 a2a
Recurring A2AFT DELETED on 10/11/2016 (Incoming) ****1234 by 96.
Transfer Amount: $200.00, processed: MONTHLY, transfers made 0 of 999.
Seq#: 3, Priority#: 1, next transfer date: 10/15/2016.
Last Transfer Amount $.00 .
Transfer last maintenanced 10/11/2016 by 96.
```

NOTE: These Tracker entries are only made when a member make changes to an AFT. If an employee sets up an AFT with an A2A account, Tracker entries are not recorded. The Audit Tracker will be attached to the suffix where the funds are being withdrawn (for an outgoing A2A) or deposited (for an incoming A2A). The "Reference" ID for the Tracker Entry will display as PAHTC750, which represents the online banking A2A transfer program that posted the Tracker note.

#### **TRANSACTION HISTORY RECORDS**

If the member makes an outgoing transfer, there will be a record of the withdrawal reading "A2A Transfer W/D" followed by the Description of the relationship and the date the transfer request was made. Additionally if the member is charged a fee for the withdrawal, he or she will see a record for the fee with a description of "A2A Transfer W/D Fee."



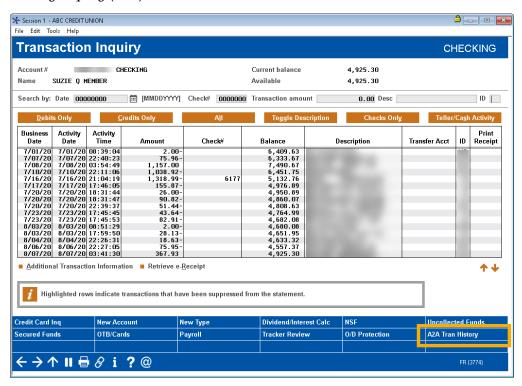
If the member makes an incoming transfer, he or she will have a zero dollar record the day the transfer is scheduled. Additionally, if a fee is charged for the transfer the assessed fee will appear in the account summary. An incoming transfer will read "A2A Transfer Deposit," followed by the description of the relationship and the date the transfer **request** was made, not the date the money actually was deposited. The fee will read "A2A Transfer Dep Fee" (not shown).



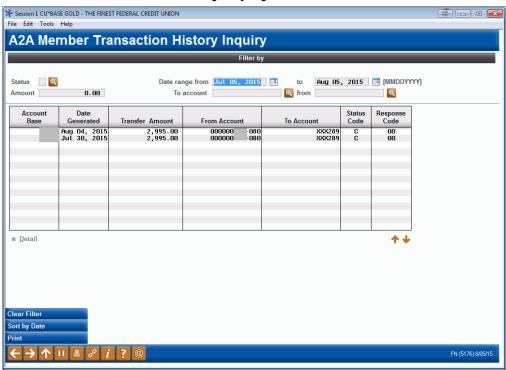
# A2A HISTORY AND EXCEPTION REPORT

#### **A2A TRANSFER HISTORY FOR A MEMBER**

You can review Account to Account Transfers made by a member on the *A2A Member Transaction History Inquiry* screen. To access this screen use Phone Operator, navigate to the History of the selected account, and use *A2A Tran History Inquiry* (F23).



#### **A2A Member Transaction History Inquiry Screen**



You can filter this screen by the following selectors

- Status (see definition below)
- Date range
- Amount
- To or from account

Documentation including status and common response codes are listed following below.

#### **Column Descriptions**

Column	Description	
Account base	The account base of the member.	
Date generated	The date the A2A transfer request was sent to Magic-Wrighter.	
	Refer to the cut-off times on Page 4. This may not be the same day the member made the request.	
From account/To account	The from and to accounts for the transfer. One account will be the member's account. The other side will come from the A2A relationship configuration. (Refer to page 12.)	
Status code	This is the status of the A2A transfer record. Selections include:  • A—Active-Created • S—Sent Directly to ODFI • C—Confirmed-Rcvd by ODFI	

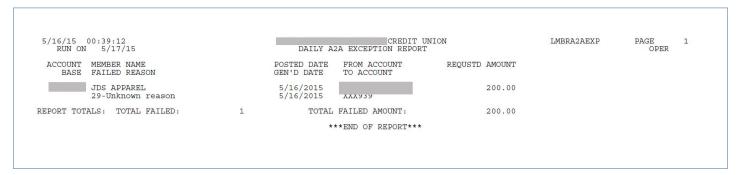
Column	Description
	F—Failed-Incorrectly formatted
	X—Standin Created in Standin
Response code	This is the Accept/Reject reason codes provided by Magic-Wrighter. Common codes include:
	00 - payment accepted
	01- invalid bank routing number
	02 - invalid checking account number
	07 - algorithm code invalid
	08 - invalid alternate company
	09 - missing or incomplete data in URL
	10 - invalid date format
	• 11- invalid access number
	• 16 - bad password
	• 17 - invalid user ID
	18 - transaction already processed
	• 19 - account info does not match
	20 - invalid credit card number
	21 - invalid credit card expiration date
	22 - credit card declined
	23 - credit card timed out
	24 - Verification fields do not balance
	25 - invalid transaction code
	26 - invalid name (blank or unidentified content in the originating account holder name or receiver account holder name)
	• 27 - invalid amount (neg. etc.)
	• 28 - service blocked
	29 - duplicate transaction
	99 - MW servers unavailable, will retry

### **A2A HISTORY FOR ALL MEMBER TRANSACTIONS**

When a member authorizes an A2A request in It's Me 247 or BizLink 247, that request is written to A2ATRANS file. The time of the authorization is the Generated Date and Generated Time. For retention purposes this file is not purged.

#### **DAILY EXCEPTION REPORT**

The Daily A2A Exception Report (LMBRA2AEXP) lists all exceptions for the A2A transfers your credit union sent to Magic-Wrighter for the previous day and current day. It includes previous day and current day to ensure A2A AFT exceptions (due to timing of EOD/BOD processes). For this reason, the same exceptions will appear on 2 consecutive reports. Be sure to review this report carefully.

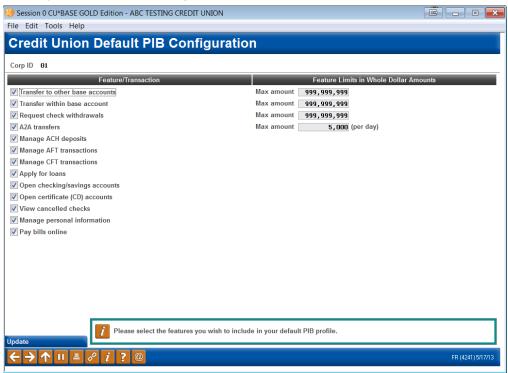


## **PIB CONTROLS**

A2A transfers must be allowed in the Default PIB Profile at both the credit union and the member levels in order for the member to be able to make A2A transfers in **It's Me 247** or **BizLink 247**. If the credit union setting allows the A2A transfer, but the member setting does not, the member will not be able to make Account-to-Account transfers.

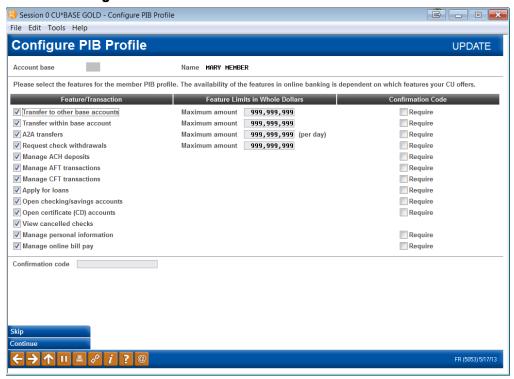
Ensure that the checkbox for A2A transfers is checked on **both** of the following two screens:

# Online/Mobile/Text Banking VMS Config (Tool #569), then "PIB" (third screen) Credit Union Setting



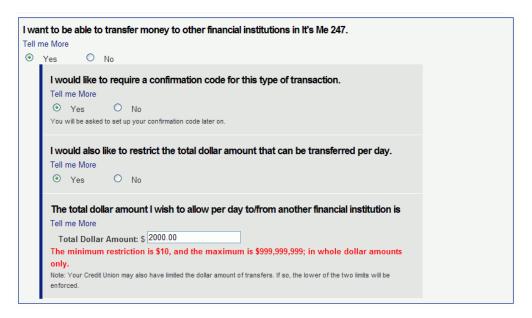
# Online/Mobile/Text Banking VMS Config (Tool #569), then "Personal Internet Branch (enroll or change PIB settings)," third screen

#### **Member Setting**



#### PIB CONTROLS-WHAT THE MEMBERS SEE FOR A2A TRANSFERS

Additionally, if the member can adjust his or her PIB profile, the member can select to restrict this option by requiring a confirmation code. Or the member can decide to activate or deactivate this option so that A2A transfers cannot be made in his or her account. If the member chooses to allow the feature, he or she can choose to have a required confirmation code and/or an amount restriction.



If the member required the entry of a confirmation code for A2A transfers, then the member will need to enter this confirmation code prior to saving the new PIB profile.

Confirmation code	
If you decided to use a confirmation code to restrict any o Tell me More	f the above features, you must set it here.
You have selected to restrict certain features by requiring Confirmation Code:  Re-enter Confirmation Code:	g a confirmation code. Please enter the confirmation code you would like to use.

If the confirmation codes is required, the member will be prompted to enter the confirmation code when making the transfer.

# **APPENDIX B: SIGN-UP FORMS**

Included on the following pages are the forms needed to begin the A2A relationship with Magic-Wrighter. When you're ready to offer Account-to-Account services to your members, complete and sign the three forms listed below and fax the forms to CU\*Answers at 616.285.7285.

#### Forms Needed to Complete Sign-Up

- Magic-Wrighter Electronic Payment Service Agreement
- Federal Reserve Bank FedACH Participation Agreement—Service Provider Designation
- Magic-Wrighter Non-Disclosure Agreement

Need help? We've got an easy helpline too. Email us directly at: <u>csr@cuanswers.com</u>. If you prefer a phone contact, call a CSR at 800.327.3478.