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Good Morning, Leadership of Federal Reserve of Richmond

I am Catherine Walton, South East Region Vice President for SCORE. SCORE is a national volunteer organization supported by the Small Business Association (SBA). We are a non profit 501.3C with the mission to foster vibrant small business communities through mentoring and education. SCORE's mission is to provide every person the support needed to thrive as a small business owner.

This communication is written in support of the merger between Sun Trust and BB&T.

SunTrust provides not only financial support to SCORE chapters across the Southeast and especially in South and North Carolina; but financial guidance, tools and support to our clients. They are an excellent community partner. SunTrust's partnership allows SCORE to provide financial support and mentoring to Veteran and women and other minority groups. Their support make it possible for millions of entrepreneurs and small business owners to receive an outstanding array of resources tools, education and workshops.

If additional information is required, please let us know.

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