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Washington, D.C. – *Statement from CSBS President and CEO Brandon Milhorn on the OCC’s action today to issue conditional approvals to establish five new uninsured national trust firms:*

“Based on the OCC’s conditional approvals, it appears these uninsured national trusts will primarily engage in fiduciary activities related to digital assets, and certain related custodial activities.

The states will continue to monitor final OCC approvals for these entities and the future financial activities of the firms, and any affiliates, to ensure that they do not exceed the authority of the OCC relative to national trusts. For example, activities related to deposit taking, lending, or payments could violate state banking or money transmission laws. In these areas, the states reserve their traditional chartering and licensing authority and will be prepared to protect their consumers.

This state diligence will extend to any pending and future OCC applications for national trust charters.”

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