

### **How to validate wire instructions for Wells Fargo-serviced payoffs**

Wire fraud can also impact wires initiated by settlement agents to payoff existing liens after closing. If the payoff wire is for a Wells Fargo-serviced mortgage, the wire instructions include a Wells Fargo phone number that your employees can call for validation. For Wells Fargo-serviced payoffs, the valid phone numbers are as follow:

- If the payoff loan number begins with 708, call Wells Fargo at 866-234-2871\*
- If the payoff loan number begins with 936, call Wells Fargo at 800-222-0238\*

\*Dial "0" to be connected to a representative who can validate the wire instructions before you initiate a payoff wire. This simple step could prevent your company or firm from becoming the victim of fraudulent wire instructions.