Moving Your Accounts Payable and Payment Processes to the Digital Age

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## Outlook – Government Treasury Trends

#### **What Matters**

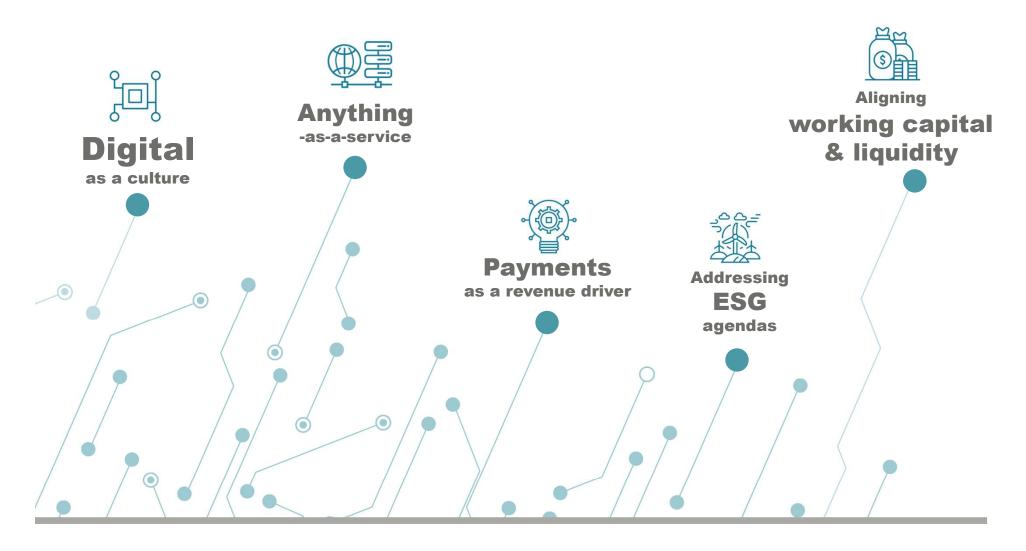
- Governments continue to look for efficient, low-cost channels to collect taxes, licenses and fees
- Constituents are looking for convenience when paying obligations and receiving refunds
- Implement easy-to-use payment channels that constituents will not perceive as difficult
- Governments have high concern over security and are focused on minimizing both electronic and paper fraud
- Employee workloads are increasing exponentially faster than staffing levels
- Assessing risk factors (data security, cyber attacks, privacy risks, etc.) when considering system upgrades/enhancements

## **Opportunities for Innovation**

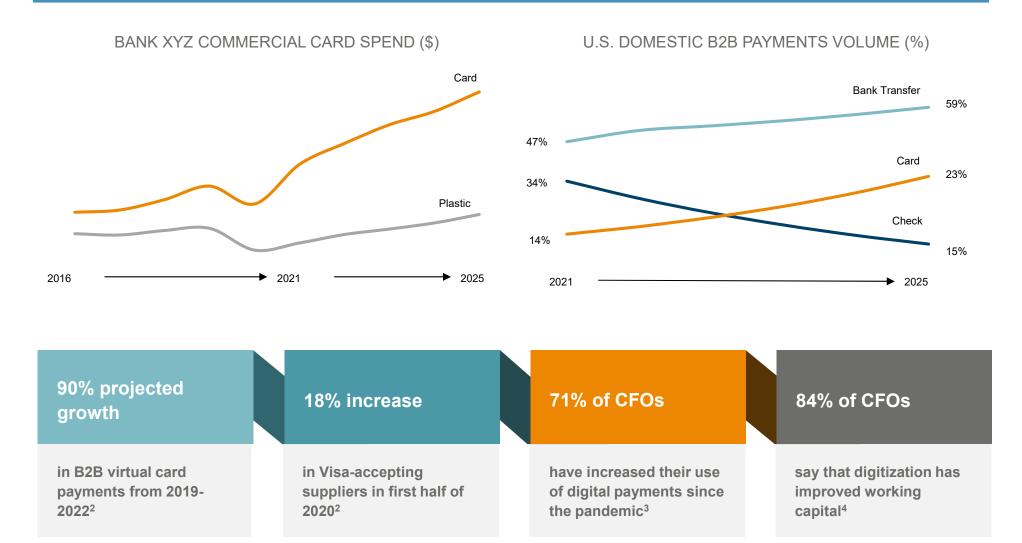
- Governments are moving from paper to electronic—for both payables and receivables
- The constituent experience can be enhanced through mobile applications for payment initiation and the disbursements of payments
- It's crucial to be able to receive collections no matter how the constituent wants to initiate the payment
- Reporting capabilities can be enhanced to support transparency initiatives
- Governments can take advantage of ePayables virtual purchase card programs to better manage vendor spend, increase security around payments and create rebates

# Payment Innovation – Driving Sustainable Growth

Payments are an integral part of a wider shift in the way we live and work today



# Upward Trends of B2B Payment Digitization



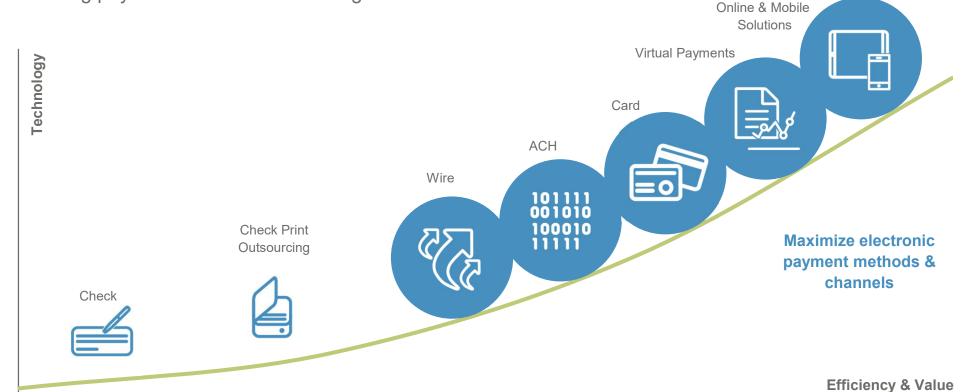
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## Payment Management

## Reducing payment costs and increasing efficiencies



#### Checks

Account Reconciliation
Online Check Image
Storage & Inquiry
Controlled Disbursement
Positive Pay

#### **Check Print**

Print & distribution
Payment types

- A/P Checks
- Claims
- Payroll
- Quick checks
- Official Checks

#### **ACH & Wires**

Same-day and conventional ACH Payroll Direct Deposit FedWire/CHIPS

#### Card & Virtual

Purchasing card Virtual Payments

- Rebates
- Bank Led Vendor Campaigns

#### Online & Mobile

Mobile Dashboard Enrollment Portals (Payment Portals) Zelle Payments

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# Simple and Reliable

## Resources designed to meet your needs

### **Purchasing Cards**

Plastic, cardless and ghost/ supplier payment solution



#### **Virtual Card**

Virtual, electronic, single use payables solution

Reduce costly manual processing on low value/high frequency spend



Target higher value spend requiring A/P control or pre-approval

Employee convenience with powerful spend controls and added visibility



Benefits of a purchasing card with the added controls of a check (date, exact amount)

Processing cost saves plus rebate revenue and working capital opportunity



Gain efficiencies of ACH, plus rebate revenue and cash flow opportunity

# Unique, 16-digit virtual account number for each payment

Automated disbursement and G/L transaction matching









Authorized for specific merchant category codes

Electronic remittance data delivered with payment file

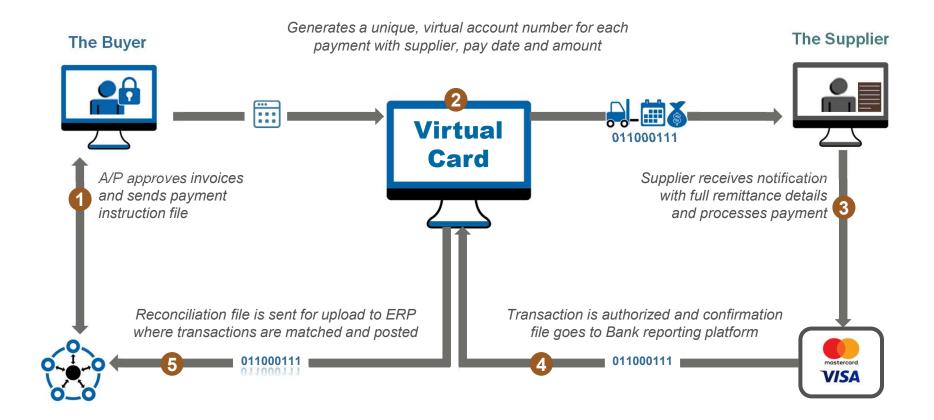




Exact expiration dates/terms (e.g., 5 days, 15 days, 30 days, etc.)



Pre-set "to the penny" dollar limit equal to invoice amount



# Virtual Card Payment Strategy

A benefit to both you and your supplier

What you want	What suppliers want	
Hold onto cash ✓	✓ Get paid faster	
Extend terms ✓	✓ Reduce terms	
Rebate revenue stream ✓	✓ Lower carrying costs	
Less paper/manual work ✓	✓ Less paper/manual work	
Ease of use/convenience ✓	✓ Ease of use/familiar solutions	
Save money ✓	✓ Get more business	

# **Economic Benefits**

Zero-cost payables card programs – realistic and attainable

Economic value	Factors
Card rebates	Based on spend <u>and</u> rate with opportunity to increase amount earned each year
Cash flow benefit	Earnings on improved cash flow paying vendors by card vs check or ACH
Cost efficiencies	Savings you can achieve by reducing check and ACH payments

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# Building a Business Case for Change

There is no cost to you, the findings are insightful, and the process is simple





Questions?