Title of Article: Does High Customer Deposit Incite Management Fraud?

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Abstract: Transparency International Report 2012 show that corruption in Nigeria is on the increase. Data from the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) and Nigeria Deposit Insurance Company (NDIC) also show the pervasive nature of fraud amongst various categories of commercial bank (now referred to Deposit Banks) staff. This study investigates factors that incite fraud in the banking sector in Nigeria, using times series data for fraud obtained from CBN data from 1998 to 2010. It was found that high bank deposit were primarily responsible for a high rise fraudulent occurrences in the Nigerian banking sector particularly management fraud, some other factors that were also jointly responsible for these occurrences include high interest rates, low commercial bank lending and poor oversight function by the Central Bank and other financial regulatory agencies. The method of estimation used in the study is the quantile regression estimation method of the dataset Machando and Silva (2013).