QuickAlerts Messages March 2015

QuickAlerts - March 12, 2015

Subject: Unscheduled Modernized e-File (MeF) Maintenance Build

The Modernized e-File Production and Assurance Testing Systems will be unavailable from 12:01 a.m., Eastern on Friday, March 13, 2015 until 3:00 a.m., Eastern. The IRS will be conducting system maintenance on its portals. Please refrain from accessing both these systems to transmit submissions, get acknowledgements, retrieve state submissions, send state acknowledgements or submit any other service requests during this timeframe as you may experience system errors during this maintenance.

We apologize in advance for any inconvenience this may cause.

QuickAlerts - March 18, 2015

Subject: Extended Maintenance Window for the MeF Production and ATS Environments

The MeF maintenance build window is being extended on Sunday, March 22, 2015. The system will be unavailable from 1:00 a.m., until 11:00 a.m., Eastern.

The build will deploy critical system updates. This extended window affects the MeF Production and ATS Environments.

Thank you in advance for refraining from accessing the MeF Production and ATS Systems during this period.

QuickAlerts - March 20, 2015

Subject: Affordable Care Act Information Returns (AIR) Working Group Meeting on March 31, 2015

The next Affordable Care Act Information Returns (AIR) Working Group Meeting (Webinar) date has been **rescheduled** to March 31, 2015. The meeting will begin at 3 p.m. Eastern Time.

An additional QuickAlerts message with the webinar registration will be issued prior to the meeting.

The topic for this meeting will be to discuss the updated Tax Year 2014 schemas and business rules for Forms 1094-B, 1095-B, 1094-C and 1095-C, which will be posted to the <u>AIR Program Overview</u> page prior to the meeting.

Send any questions about the AIR Working Group Meeting to airmailbox@irs.gov.

QuickAlerts - March25, 2015

Subject: Extended Maintenance Window for the MeF Production and ATS Environments

The MeF maintenance build window is being extended on Sunday, March 29, 2015. The system will be unavailable from 1:00 a.m., until 11:00 a.m., Eastern.

The build will deploy critical system updates. This extended window affects the MeF Production and ATS Environments.

Thank you in advance for refraining from accessing the MeF Production and ATS Systems during this period.

QuickAlerts - March 26, 2015

Subject: ACA Information Returns (AIR) Working Group Meeting on March 31, 2015

The next Affordable Care Act Information Returns (AIR) Working Group Meeting (webinar) will be held: Tuesday, March 31, 2015 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. Eastern time

You must register to attend the webinar. To register for this event, use the following link: https://events.na.collabserv.com/register.php?id=58aeee3aef&l=en-US.

If clicking the above link does not work, please copy the entire link and paste it into your web browser.

The webinar will be streamed through WebInterpoint. Computer speakers or headphones are REQUIRED to listen to streaming audio.

The topic for this meeting will be to discuss the updated Tax Year 2014 schemas and business rules for forms 1094-B, 1095-B, 1094-C and 1095-C, which will be posted to the <u>AIR Program Overview</u> page prior to the meeting. An additional QuickAlerts message will be issued when the presentation is posted.

You will find additional information about the AIR program on the <u>AIR - Did You Know?</u> page.

Send any questions about the AIR Working Group Meeting to AIR Mailbox.

QuickAlerts - March 27, 2015

Subject: AIR - Update: March 31st Working Group Meeting Presentation Material Posted

Updated Tax Year 2014 schemas and business rules for the Forms 1094-B, 1095-B, 1094-C, and 1095-C have been posted on the <u>AIR Schemas Page</u>. There are also PDF versions of the schemas on the <u>AIR Program Overview</u> page which the IRS will be using during the Working Group Meeting (webinar) to display them and answer questions.

As a reminder, you must register to attend the webinar. To register for this event, use the following link: https://events.na.collabserv.com/register.php?id=58aeee3aef&l=en-US.

If clicking the above link does not work, please copy the entire link and paste it into your Web browser. The webinar will be streamed through WebInterpoint. Computer speakers or headphones are REQUIRED to listen to streaming audio.

You will find additional information about the AIR program on the AIR - Did You Know? page.

Send questions related to the schemas and business rules for the AIR Working Group Meeting to AIR Mailbox.

NOTE: The intended audiences of these meetings are Transmitters, Software Developers, and Issuers/Payers. This will be a technical discussion about the updated schemas and business rules for the Forms 1094-B, 1095-B, 1094-C, and 1095-C for TY 2014. We will not be discussing tax law and taxpayer responsibilities.