

QuickAlerts Messages June 2014

QuickAlerts – June 4, 2014

Subject: Extended Maintenance Window for the Modernized e-File (MeF) Production Environment

The MeF Sunday maintenance build window is being extended on Sunday, June 8, 2014.

The system will be unavailable from 1:00 a.m. Eastern until 1:00 p.m. Eastern. The build will deploy critical system updates. This extended window affects the MeF Production Environment only.

Thank you in advance for refraining from accessing the MeF Production System during this period.

QuickAlerts – June 12, 2014

Subject: Heavy Highway Use Tax (Form 2290) Assurance Testing System (ATS) for Tax Year (TY) 2014 is currently not available

The Heavy Highway Use Tax (Form 2290) for TY 2014 ATS is not available at this time. The IRS is in the process of updating the system to allow you to test the TY 2014 scenarios. Please refrain from sending any Form 2290 TY2014 test scenarios to ATS until further notice.

The IRS will issue a Technical QuickAlerts when Form 2290 testing for TY 2014 is available.

QuickAlerts – June 16, 2014

Subject: Distribution of Modernized e-File (MeF) New Web Service Definition Language (WSDLs)

WSDLs for Tax Year 2014/Processing Year 2015 are now available. These WSDLs are scheduled to be installed in the MeF test environment (ATS) in November, 2014. These new WSDLs will also be required for MeF Production when it opens for Processing Year 2015.

As a reminder you should be using the "la.alt" (la.alt.www4) for ATS and "la main" URL (la.www4) for Production environments.

If you would like to receive the new WSDLs please send an email to [MeF Mailbox](#). The email request must include your company name and ETIN/EFIN. The required WSDLs will be sent to you as soon as it is verified that you are a valid software developer, transmitter or State user.

QuickAlerts – June 17, 2014

Subject: Heavy Highway Use Tax (Form 2290) Assurance Testing System (ATS) for Tax Year (TY) 2014 is now available

This Technical Quick Alert is an update to the one issued on June 12, 2014.

The Heavy Highway Use Tax (Form 2290) Assurance Testing System (ATS) for Tax Year (TY) 2014 is now available to test the TY 2014 scenarios.

QuickAlerts – June 18, 2014

Subject: Extended Maintenance Window for the Modernized e-File (MeF) Production and ATS Environments

The MeF Sunday maintenance build window is being extended on Sunday, June 22, 2014.

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 impacts the MeF Production and ATS Environments.

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

QuickAlerts – June 24, 2014

Subject: Verify your Electronic Filing Identification Number (EFIN) activity and other e-file application information

Now that filing season is slowing down, this might be a good time to review your e-file application information.

Your application information should be updated within 30 days of any changes, such as names, address or telephone number. You should also check your EFIN Status page.

Check the EFIN status by logging into your e-file application through [e-services](#) to make sure the summary of the volume and activity of the returns e-filed in the last two years matches your records. If you have any concerns or if you notice and discrepancies, call the e-help desk at 866-255-0654 (6:30 AM to 8:00 PM Central).

For more frequently asked questions about your EFIN please see [IRS.gov](#).

QuickAlerts – June 25, 2014

Subject: Prior Year Return XML Standardization for Processing Year 2015

This Quick Alert is being sent to clarify information provided during today's Software Developer's Conference. During the conference it was shared that there will be XML standardization changes for prior year return Schemas, this information is correct. This will result in incrementing the package to a major version for each of the Parent Forms on the MeF platform. The following prior year Schema packages are the only ones effected and Diff files will be provided:

- efileAttachments.xsd
- efileMessageCommon.xsd
- efileMessageIFA.xsd

XML standardization will not impact the individual form level Schemas for the prior years.

These changes will not be in effect until November 2014 for ATS and January 2015 for production. The following forms will not have prior year Schemas:

- Form 56
- Form 9465
- Form 2350
- Form 4868

We will issue a Quick Alert when the Schemas are posted to IRS.gov. We will also be posting corresponding Business Rules for each package. There will be no change to the Business Rules.

If you have any additional questions, please send them to the [MeF Mailbox](#).

QuickAlerts – June 26, 2014

Subject: Technical - Extended Maintenance Window for the Modernized e-File (MeF) Production and ATS Environments

The MeF Sunday maintenance build window is being extended on Sunday, June 29, 2014. The system will be unavailable from 1:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m., Eastern. The build will deploy critical system updates. This extended window impacts the MeF Production and ATS Environments.

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