# **QuickAlerts Messages September 2013**

## QuickAlerts - September 3, 2013

**Subject:** Delay in opening Modernized e-File (MeF) after the Scheduled Power Outage and Portal Migration

We are still working to make MeF fully operational. Please refrain from accessing the MeF Production or Assurance Testing System to transmit business/individual tax returns, retrieve acknowledgements or submit any other service requests.

We will issue a follow-up QuickAlerts when MeF is fully operational.

We apologize for any inconvenience and thank you for your support.

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# QuickAlerts - September 3, 2013

**Subject:** Maintenance completed for the Modernized e-File (MeF) Production Environment after the Scheduled Power Outage and Portal Migration

The MeF Production System is now operational. All Service Requests are operational and production has resumed.

The Assurance Testing System (ATS) continues to be down as we work diligently to bring it back up. Please refrain from using it. We will issue a follow-up QuickAlerts when MeF ATS is operational.

Thank you for your patience and support. Please monitor the MeF Status Page for any other updates.

#### QuickAlerts - September 3, 2013

Subject: Unscheduled Downtime - Modernized e-File (MeF) Production System

The MeF system is experiencing a technical issue that requires the IRS to bring down the production system for a period. Effective at 7:00 a.m. Eastern, Wednesday, Sept 4, 2013, please refrain from accessing the MeF Production System to transmit submissions, get acknowledgements, retrieve state submissions, send state acknowledgements or submit any other service requests. We are targeting to resume processing by 9:30 a.m. Eastern, Wednesday, Sept 4, 2013.

The IRS will issue a Technical QuickAlerts when the MeF Production System is operational. We apologize in advance for any inconvenience caused.

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### QuickAlerts – September 4, 2013

**Subject:** Unscheduled Downtime - Modernized e-File (MeF) Production System and Assurance Testing System (ATS) are back up

The unscheduled downtime has been completed at 10:00 am, Eastern on Wednesday, September 04, 2013. The MeF Production and ATS Systems are now operational. All Service Requests are operational and production has resumed.

Thank you for your patience and support. Please monitor the MeF Status Page for updates.

# QuickAlerts – September 4, 2013

**Subject:** Unscheduled Downtime - Modernized e-File (MeF) Production and Assurance Testing System (ATS)

The MeF system is experiencing a technical issue that requires the IRS to bring down the Production and ATS systems for a period. Effective at 8:00 p.m. Eastern, Wednesday, Sept 4, 2013, please refrain from accessing the MeF Production and ATS Systems to transmit submissions, get acknowledgements, retrieve state submissions, send state acknowledgements or submit any other service requests. We are targeting to resume processing by 11:00 p.m. Eastern, Wednesday, Sept 4, 2013.

The IRS will issue a Technical QuickAlerts when the MeF Production and Assurance Testing System (ATS) are operational.

# QuickAlerts - September 4, 2013

**Subject:** Unscheduled Downtime - Modernized e-File (MeF) Production System and Assurance Testing System (ATS) are back up on line

The unscheduled downtime completed at 11:00 p.m., Eastern on Wednesday, September 04, 2013. The MeF Production and ATS Systems are now operational. All Service Requests are operational and production has resumed.

Thank you for your patience and support.

### QuickAlerts - September 13, 2013

**Subject:** Scheduled Modernized e-File (MeF) Production and Assurance Testing System (ATS) Downtime

## MeF System Maintenance Scheduled for September 28, 2013

The Modernized e-File System will be unavailable for processing from approximately 7:00 a.m., Eastern on Saturday, September 28, 2013 until 7:00 a.m., Eastern on Sunday, September 29, 2013. The IRS will be conducting system maintenance. Although the Integrated Enterprise Portal (IEP) will be operational during a portion of this time, any returns or extensions transmitted to MeF will be not be processed.

Please refrain from accessing the MeF Production or Assurance Testing Systems to transmit business/individual tax returns, retrieve acknowledgements or submit any other service requests.

Please monitor the MeF Status Page for any updates. We will issue a QuickAlerts if there is a delay in bringing the system back up in a timely manner on Sunday.

We are sorry for any inconvenience caused.

### QuickAlerts - September 20, 2013

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

New WSDLs will be installed in the MeF test environment (ATS) on November 4, 2013. These new WSDLs will also be required for MeF Production when it reopens for Processing Year 2014, which is planned for January 6, 2014. Please note that starting November 4th you will be using the "la.alt" (<a href="https://la.alt.www4.irs.gov/a2a/mef">https://la.alt.www4.irs.gov/a2a/mef</a> ) URL for ATS and "la main" (<a href="https://la.www4.irs.gov/a2a/mef">https://la.www4.irs.gov/a2a/mef</a> ) URL for Production environments.

If you would like to receive the new WSDLs please send an email to MeF Mailbox (<a href="mailbox@irs.gov">mefmailbox@irs.gov</a>). 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 – September 25, 2013**

**Subject:** 94x XML 2014 Draft Schemas

The 94x XML 2014 Draft Schemas (version 4.2) for Legacy have posted to irs.gov. The final schemas will post as they become available.

A new QuickAlerts will be issued when the final schemas are available.

# **QuickAlerts – September 26, 2013**

Subject: IRS Enterprise Web Portal Maintenance Planned for Sept. 28

The IRS portal that supports e-services (Registration, Transcript Delivery Services, TIN Matching and e-file Application) will be unavailable for processing from approximately 7 a.m. (ET) Saturday, Sept. 28, to 7 a.m. (ET) Sunday, Sept. 29, for routine maintenance.

This will affect various enterprise applications such as e-file and other electronic services. All users should refrain from submitting returns and other electronic products during this maintenance period.