

## QuickAlerts Messages June 2013

### QuickAlerts – June 3, 2013

**Subject:** Business Rules, XML Schemas and the Modernized e-File Test Package for Excise Tax e-File (Publication 4594) for TY 2013

The Heavy Highway Use Tax (Form 2290) Business Rules and XML Schemas for Form 2290 for Tax Year 2013 are posted to the IRS.gov website. These changes will be available in ATS on 06/03/2013 and Production on 07/01/2013.

The Modernized e-File Test Package for Excise Tax e-File (Publication 4594) for TY 2013 has also been posted to the IRS.gov website.

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### QuickAlerts – June 3, 2013

**Subject:** New Test Scenario Employer Identification Numbers (EINs) for the Modernized e-File Test Package for the Excise Tax E-File and Compliance (ETEC) Returns (Forms 720, 2290 and 8849) for Tax Year 2013

The ETEC Returns; Forms 720, 2290 and 8849 will be using new EINs in test scenarios effective June 3, 2013. The new EINs are located in Exhibit 4, of the TY 2013 Modernized e-File Test Package for Excise Tax Returns (Publication 4594). The Publication 4594 has been posted to irs.gov.

We apologize for any inconvenience you may have incurred as a result of this matter.

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### QuickAlerts – June 7, 2013

**Subject:** Tax Year 2013 94x Modernized e-File (MeF) Assurance Testing System (ATS) Scenarios Posted to IRS.gov

Five Tax Year 2013 [94X MeF Scenarios](#) have been posted to IRS.gov. Additional scenarios will be posted as they become available.

Please contact us at the [MeF mailbox](#) if you have any questions or concerns.

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### QuickAlerts – June 5, 2013

**Subject:** Modernized e-File (MeF) Scheduled Downtime – June 2013

This is a reminder that due to the current budget situation, the IRS plans to be closed on June 14, July 5, July 22 and August 30. The MeF system (Production and ATS) will not be available from 10:00 p.m., Eastern of the prior day until 9:00 a.m., Eastern of the following day, on these dates. For example, when the closure falls on a Friday, the system will be unavailable from 10:00 p.m., Eastern on Thursday until 9:00 a.m., Eastern on Saturday.

**MeF Production & ATS Downtime:**

Shutdown is scheduled to begin on Thursday, June 13, 2013 at 10:00 p.m., Eastern and end at 9:00 a.m., Eastern on Saturday, June 15, 2013.

**Important Note:** States that schedule retrieval of their state submissions may have to change their schedule in order to retrieve submissions in time to validate returns and submit acknowledgements by 10:00 p.m., Eastern on June 13th. Anything not retrieved thru MeF by 10:00 p.m., Eastern cannot be accessed again until MeF reopens for Production on June 15th.

**Deadlines on Thursday, June 13th, Eastern Time**

Transmitters:

Transmitting Submissions (State &amp; Federal) 8:00 p.m.

Retrieving Acknowledgements 10:00 p.m.

States:

Transmitting Acknowledgements 9:30 p.m.

**Start Up on Saturday, June 15th, Eastern Time**

Transmitters &amp; States

9:00 a.m.

Please monitor the [MeF Status Page](#) for any updates. We apologize for any inconvenience and thank you for your cooperation.

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**QuickAlerts – June 12, 2013****Subject:** EMS Power Outage in Martinsburg, West Virginia and Memphis Tennessee

All IRS offices will be closed June 14, 2013 due to the current budget situation. Because of this, the Electronic Management System (EMS) located at Martinsburg, West Virginia and Memphis, Tennessee will be unavailable from Thursday June 13, 2013 at 11:00 p.m. Eastern time through June 15, 2013 at 12:01 a.m. Eastern Time.

EMS (both Production and Test) will not be operational during this timeframe. Please refrain from accessing the EMS Production or Testing Systems to transmit tax returns, retrieve acknowledgements or submit any other service requests.

When services are resumed, all processing will occur and acknowledgement files will be available based on the established drain schedule.

We apologize for this inconvenience and thank you for your patience.

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**QuickAlerts – June 26, 2013****Subject:** Tax Year 2012 Modernized e-File (MeF) Known Issues and Solutions Updates

The following updates have been posted on IRS.gov:

Tax Year 2012

- [Known Issues and Solutions.](#)

Questions or comments may be directed to the e-help Desk at 1-866-255-0654.

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