# **QuickAlerts Messages February 2017**

## QuickAlerts -February 2, 2017

Subject: Extended Scheduled Maintenance for the ACA Information Return (AIR) System

The AIR maintenance build window is being extended on Sunday, February 5, 2017, the system will be unavailable from 12:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. Eastern. The build will deploy critical system updates.

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

### QuickAlerts -February 16, 2017

**Subject:** MeF Schemas and Business Rules Available for Download Software Developers and State organizations can now access and download the new Schema and Business Rules listed below from their e-Services mailbox.

#### IMF:

- Schema and Business Rules for Form 1040 Series (includes) 1040NR) 2016v3.2
- Operational in ATS and Production March 19, 2017
- IMF Device ID Timezone Offset

Note: Form 2350v3.0, Form 4868v3.0, Form 9465CUv14.0, and Form 56CUv13.0, remain the same, therefore are not being resent at this time.

#### BMF:

- Schema for Form 720Qtr 1-4 2017v1.3
- Business Rules change pages
  - o Form 94X Annual 2016v3.0
  - o Form 1041- 2016v4.1
  - o Form 1120 2016v4.1

In order to access these files you must have an active e-Services account and be listed on an e-File application with the provider option of Software Developer or State. Your role must be Principal, Responsible Official, or Delegated User with MeF authorities.

## Instructions for accessing your e-Services mailbox

You may have more than one message in your account. Please open all of them to find the schema set or business rule changes you would like to download.

We encourage you to review your e-File application at this time to verify you have the appropriate role and to verify you have access to your e-Services account. If you have never registered for e-Services or previously registered and forgotten your password visit <u>e-Services Online Tools for Tax Professionals</u>.

If you have the appropriate role and do not have these files available for download in your e-Services mailbox please contact the <u>MeF Mailbox</u> with the Company Name, ETIN and Schema Package(s) with Tax Year needed.

### QuickAlerts -February 23, 2017

Subject: Extended Maintenance Window for MeF Production and ATS Environments

The MeF maintenance build window is being extended on Sunday, February 26, 2017. The systems will be unavailable from 12:00 a.m. until 10:00 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 -February 28, 2017

Subject: ACA Application for Transmitter Control Code (TCC) in "Submitted Pending Review"

An issue has been identified that prevents applications in "Submitted Pending Review" from progressing to the "Completed" status. If you updated your application between February 12 and February 25, your TCCs may be affected. This issue is causing some AIR transmissions to fail the authentication process and receive an error that their TCC is not working properly. The agency has been working this issue as a top priority and a fix has been identified which will resolve the issue by Friday, March 3rd. We apologize for any inconvenience this has caused.

To check the status of your application, log into e-Services on www.irs.gov.