

# QuickAlerts Messages January 2018

## QuickAlerts – January 2, 2018

**Subject:** AIR Production Start-up Schedule for Filing Season 2018/Tax Year 2017

Filing Season 2018/Tax Year 2017 AIR Production for Forms 1094 B/C and Forms 1095 B/C will go-live at approximately 9 a.m. Eastern time on Monday, January 22, 2018.

**Note:** Prior year corrections and replacements can be electronically filed once Production goes live.

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## QuickAlerts – January 4, 2018

**Subject:** 2018 Filing Season for Modernized e-File (MeF) Individual and Business Returns

The Internal Revenue Service has [announced](#) plans to begin accepting Individual tax returns Electronically on January 29, 2018.

The IRS will begin accepting all Business tax returns on January 8, 2018.

Please continue to Monitor the [MeF Status](#) page for updates.

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## QuickAlerts – January 16, 2018

**Subject:** Heavy Highway Use Tax (Form 2290) Schema Version 2017v1.0 information

Form 2290 Version 2017v1.0 Business Rules and Schemas for 2017 is not working in ATS and Production. The IRS will post a correction to Version 2017v1.0 later this month. Once the correction to the Version 2017v1.0 has been implemented both versions will be active in ATS and Production.

Form 2290 Version 2017v1.1 is active in ATS and Production. Until the correction to Version 2017v1.0 is implemented, software developers and return transmitters may submit returns using Version 2017v1.1.

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

We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

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## QuickAlerts – January 19, 2018

**Subject:** New Business Rule Updates Available

Software Developers and State organizations may access and download the Business Rules Change page from their e-Services mailbox. To access this file, 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.

The following Business Rule Change page was updated:

Tax Year 2017:

- Tax Type 1040v6.1 Only, Business Rules Change Page

Please check [Tax Year 2017 Modernized eFile Schemas and Business Rules for Individual Tax Returns and Extensions](#) for ATS and Production availability.

Messages will be purged after 30 days.

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

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### **QuickAlerts – January 25, 2018**

**Subject:** AIR Extended Planned Outage: January 28, 2018

There will be an extended maintenance window on Sunday, January 28, 2018, from approximately 12 a.m. Eastern time until approximately 12 p.m. Eastern time. The AATS and Production environments will be unavailable during this maintenance window. Please do not attempt to access the AIR System via the A2A or UI Channels during this maintenance window.

We apologize for any inconvenience.

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### **QuickAlerts – January 26, 2018**

**Subject:** Reminder: January 31 Filing Deadline Applies to Wage Statements and Independent Contractor Forms

This is a reminder that wage statements and independent contractor forms must be filed with the government by [January 31](#). This date applies to both electronic and paper filers.

The Section 201(a) of the Protecting Americans from Tax Hikes (PATH) Act includes a requirement for employers to file their copies of [Form W-2](#) and [Form W-3](#) with the Social Security Administration by the end of January.

This deadline also applies to certain Forms [1099-MISC](#) filed with the IRS to report non-employee compensation payments in box 7.

Early filing makes it easier for the IRS to verify income that individuals report on their tax returns and helps prevent fraud. Failure to file these forms correctly and timely may result in penalties.

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### **QuickAlerts – January 26, 2018**

**Subject:** Modernized e-File (MeF) Update

Today our system incorrectly rejected some transmissions and returned an erroneous error message.

The issue has been resolved.

Thank you for your patience.

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