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1. Fiscal Year 2015 Customer Agreements

We began distributing FY 15 annual agreements involving administrative services (Financial Management, Procurement, Travel, and Human Resources) on July 3, 2014. These agreements do not include Information Technology (IT) services. To ensure your agreement is processed in a timely manner, please return your signed agreement by COB August 30, 2014. If you have any questions or wish to discuss your agreement, please do not hesitate to contact your customer service representative. We look forward to another successful year helping your agency fulfill its mission.

For additional information, contact Michael Satterfield at 304-480-5527 or Michael.Satterfield@fiscal.treasury.gov.

2. The 24th Annual Government Financial Management Conference

We look forward to attending the Government Financial Management Conference August 11-13, 2014. This year's conference will be held at the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center, 1300 Pennsylvania, NW, Washington DC. Additional information can be found at the following address: http://www.fms.treas.gov/aad/conferences.html.

If you plan to be in attendance and would like to discuss our services in detail, we encourage you to schedule an appointment with Michael Satterfield at 304-480-5527 or Michael.Satterfield@fiscal.treasury.gov.

3. Customer Migrations to New Travel System

Our travel staff has been working with our customer agencies on the transition to the new government wide travel system, Concur Government Edition (CGE). As of July 1, 2014, all our customers are using CGE for official government travel. We continue to work closely with Concur on system improvements, enhancements, and advance functionality to maximize the user experience. Online and classroom training will be offered to users each quarter at no additional cost to the customer. Customer travel contacts will receive training information via email on how to sign up for the training sessions.

For additional information, contact our Travel Help Desk at 304-480-8000, option 1 or travel@bpd.treas.gov.

4. DATA Act: Impact on Debt Collection

Digital Accountability and Transparency Act (DATA Act) became Public Law No: 113-101 on May 9, 2014. The last section of the law (an add on) requires federal agencies to refer debt to Debt Management Service (DMS) that are 120 days delinquent so that the debts may be offset through the Treasury Offset Program (TOP). In addition, DMS must notify Congress of any instances in which an agency fails to notify Treasury of such a debt.

We are watching for changes coming from DMS and will make reporting changes as required. We will refer administrative debts to DMS no later than 120 days delinquent beginning FY 15.

For additional information, contact Sara Taylor at 304-480-7007 or ARServiceDesk@fiscal.treasury.gov.

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