Social Security Administration Retirement, Survivors and Disability Insurance

Date: **MM/DD/YY** EIN: **99-9999999** Tax Year: **9999**

COMPANY NAME ADDRESS 1 ADDRESS 2 CITY, ST 99999-9999

Important Information, Immediate Reply Requested

Each year we check our wage totals for the Forms W-2 you send us against the Forms 941, 943, 944 or Schedule H (Household Employment Taxes) employment tax returns you filed with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). These totals must equal. We recently found that wage reports you submitted for your employees may not be correct. We need your help to correct them.

What You Should Do

Please check your records and make sure you have correctly reported your employees' wages.

- Check your report for wages below the household limit, if you are a household employer.
- Check your report for third party sick pay.
- Check for corrected reports and see if there is any reason for the different wage totals.
- Fill out the enclosed questionnaire and return it within 45 days.

Note: We encourage you to file your original and corrected wage reports electronically, using Business Services Online (BSO). You can find more information on wage report filing by going to our employer reporting website at: <u>www.socialsecurity.gov/employer</u>.

Enclosure(s): Pub 16-002 Return Envelope

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About the Questionnaire

If the questionnaire shows only the IRS wage totals, it means we do not have copies of any Form W-2 wage reports for your employees for that tax year. Or, it may show that the Form W-2 wage totals we have in our records are less than those that are on the Forms 941, 943, 944 or Schedule H returns you filed with the IRS.

We have enclosed a pamphlet entitled "Don't Let Your Employees Down" with information to help you complete the questionnaire. Or, you can go to <u>www.socialsecurity.gov/employer</u> and click on "Reconciliation" for more information.

For your convenience, we have also enclosed a self-addressed envelope. If you cannot use the envelope, please mail the completed questionnaire and requested information to:

Social Security Administration P.O. Box 33021 Baltimore, Maryland 21290-3021

If We Do Not Receive This Information

We cannot correct your employees' wage records unless you give us the information that we requested. This information is important. It could affect your employees' rights to future Social Security benefits and the amount of those benefits. Please make sure that the information you provide to us will resolve the problem. Always keep your wage records for four (4) years to back up your wage and tax reports, in case SSA or the IRS have questions about them later. If you do not send the information we need, we will refer this matter to the IRS. If the IRS finds that you made a reporting error, or fail to respond to our request, they may charge you a penalty.

Suspect Social Security Fraud?

Please visit <u>http://oig.ssa.gov/r</u> or call the Inspector General's Fraud Hotline at 1-800-269-0271 (TTY 1-866-501-2101).

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If You Have Any Questions

If you have any questions not answered by the enclosed pamphlet or the website, please write to us at the above address or call us at 1-800-772-6270 Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Eastern Time.

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EMPLOYER QUESTIONNAIRE SSA HAS NO RECORD OF EMPLOYER REPORT

The IRS records show that you paid Social Security and/or Medicare taxes on the wages that appear below. However, SSA does not have a record of your Forms W-2 and W-3 for these wages. The IRS requires you to send Forms W-2 to SSA.

IRS Data 941, 943, 944 or Schedule H (Household Employment Taxes) for Tax Year: YYYY EIN: 99-9999999

Employer Name: Employer Name

Employee Soc. Security Wage Totals:	\$999,999.00
Employee Soc. Security Tip Totals:	\$999,999.00
Employee Medicare Wage/Tip Totals:	\$999,999.00

CHECK AND COMPLETE

Check and complete any items that apply to your wage report for the tax year shown above. If you send a wage report that shows a different total from the amount shown above, please explain why in number 6.

- 1. () I did not file Forms W-2 with SSA. I am now taking the following action (check one):
 - () Enclosed is the original Copy A of paper Forms W-2 and W-3, or
 - () Sending SSA an electronic file.

Caution: If you are filing electronically, be sure to check the box indicating the submission is in response to a reconciliation notice. When you return this questionnaire, include a copy of the Business Services Online (BSO) receipt showing the wage file identifier (WFID) as proof of filing.

- 2. () I filed Forms W-2 under the EIN for the TY shown above. I am now taking the following action for the wages I previously reported (check one):
 - () Enclosed are legible copies of paper Forms W-2 and W-3, or
 - () Enclosed is a copy of the Business Services Online (BSO) receipt showing the wage file identifier (WFID) as proof of filing.

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- 3. () I filed Forms W-2 under EIN _____, rather than the EIN shown above. Attach legible copies if on paper. Enter the Wage File ID (WFID) if electronic (or other proof of filing if a third-party, such as a payroll service e-filed for you).
- 4. () I filed but cannot locate my copies of Forms W-2 and W-3. I am now taking the following action (check one):
 - () Enclosed are duplicate copies of paper Forms W-2 and W-3,or
 - () Sending SSA an electronic file. See "Caution" shown under Item #1 above.
- 5. () I was self-employed.
 - () I was not required to file Forms W-2 with SSA. Attached are legible copies of Schedule SE or Schedule C that show SE tax.
 - () I had employees working for me during the year. Attached are legible copies of Forms W-2 for those employees.

6. () Other	
Your Name and Title	 () Daytime Phone, with Area Code
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INFORMATION ABOUT THE DATA YOU SEND SSA

The name, Social Security number, and wage amounts on the Forms W-2 must be readable and complete. If we cannot read all information on the documents you submit, or if any of these items are missing, we cannot add the wages to the employee's wage record. If you need blank copies of the Forms W-2 or W-3, call the IRS at 1-800-829-3676. If your copies of the Forms W-2 are illegible, please prepare duplicates on blank copies of the Forms W-2. Make sure the Forms W-2 show the correct year for the wages you report.

Note: If you send 250 or more wage items to us, you must file your wage reports electronically in accordance with Publication 42-007: Specifications for Filing Forms W-2 Electronically (EFW2). For more information, please go to our website at <u>www.socialsecurity.gov/employer</u> or call SSA's Employer Reporting Branch at 1-800-772-6270 Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 7 p.m., Eastern Time.

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RETURN THIS QUESTIONNAIRE

Please send all requested information to:

Social Security Administration P.O. Box 33021 Baltimore, Maryland 21290-3021

Important: Do not send cash, checks, or money orders to SSA. Send your tax payments directly to the Internal Revenue Service.

Privacy Act Statement Collection and Use of Personal Information

Section 205(c)(2)(A) of the Social Security Act, as amended, authorizes us to collect this information. We will use the information you provide to properly credit the employee's earnings record.

Furnishing us this information is voluntary. However, failing to provide us with all or part of the information may result in the referral of your case to the Internal Revenue Service.

We rarely use the information you supply us for any purpose other than to reconcile discrepancies from IRS and SSA employer-reported wages. However, we may use the information for the administration of our programs including sharing information:

1. To comply with Federal laws requiring the release of information from our records (e.g., to the Government Accountability Office and Department of Veterans Affairs); and,

2. To facilitate statistical research, audit, or investigative activities necessary to ensure the integrity and improvement of our programs (e.g., to the Bureau of the Census and to private entities under contract with us).

A complete list of when we may share your information with others, called routine uses, is available in our Privacy Act System of Records Notice 60-0059, entitled, Earnings Recording and Self-Employment Income System. Additional information about this and other system of records notices and our programs is available online at www.socialsecurity.gov or at your local Social Security office.

We may share the information you provide to other health agencies through computer matching programs. Matching programs compare our records with records kept by other Federal, State or local government agencies. We use the information from these programs to establish or verify a person's eligibility for federally funded or administered benefit programs and for repayment of incorrect payments or delinquent debts under these programs.

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Paperwork Reduction Act Statement - This information collection meets the requirements of 44 U.S.C. 3507, as amended by section 2 of the <u>Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995</u>. You do not need to answer these questions unless we display a valid Office of Management and Budget control number. We estimate that it will take about 30 minutes to read the instructions, gather the facts, and answer the questions. Send only comments relating to our time estimate above to: SSA, 6401 Security Blvd, Baltimore, MD 21235-6401.

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