



# SBA Information Notice

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**TO:** All SBA Employees

**CONTROL NO.:** 5000-1087

**SUBJECT:** New IRS Tax Verification  
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**EFFECTIVE:** 12/19/2008

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The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has implemented a new expedited service through which the financial community can expeditiously confirm the income of a borrower during the processing of a loan application: Income Verification Express Service (IVES) program. Under IVES, the IRS can electronically provide tax return transcript, W-2 transcript and 1099 transcript information generally **within 2 business days** to a third party with the consent of the taxpayer.

The transcript information is delivered to a secure mailbox based on information received from a Form 4506-T. A \$4.50 fee is imposed on each transcript requested. It is expected that this process will replace the current process, which requires the manual pick-up and delivery of transcripts from the seven IRS Return and Income Verification Services (RAIVS) units located across the country.

Under the new system, transcripts will be delivered electronically using the e-Services platform via a secure mailbox. To participate in the IVES program, lenders will need to register and identify employees to act as agents to receive electronic transcripts on the lender's behalf. To establish access to a secure mailbox, lenders will need to register, which can be done through the following IRS website: <http://www.irs.gov/individuals/article/0,,id=161649,00.html>. Additional information on IVES is also available from this website or contact [leonard.fagan@sba.gov](mailto:leonard.fagan@sba.gov).

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