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#### PAYROLL PROCESSING - CALENDAR YEAR-END 2018

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**State Payroll Operations** 

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#### Introduction

This Payroll Bulletin addresses payroll and leave processing for calendar year-end 2018. This bulletin includes three attachments and must be reviewed in detail.

All dates noted in this bulletin are final completion dates. Adherence to these dates is imperative in order to complete all regulatory reporting requirements.

Copy this bulletin and distribute it to all appropriate personnel within your agency.

#### Issues Requiring Special Attention

- Review all items in the CIPPS Pending File (H1K01, H1K02, H1K03). You may need to delete items applying only to 2018. **DO NOT DELETE TRANSACTIONS RELATED TO MANUAL PAYSETS.** To remove the effect of manual payset transactions, enter another manual payset identical to the first with the exception of the Adjustment Indicator (AI). Enter the opposite values in the AI field as originally entered. If a 'P' was used, enter an 'M'. If a "+' was used, enter a '-'.
- Be careful with employee records you established using a Goal Amount for stopping deductions (e.g., garnishments). **Depending on how these deductions were established, they may automatically reactivate on January 1, 2019, when DOA resets the year-to-date fields to zero.**
- Payroll adjustments that have been identified during the year but have not been processed should be submitted to DOA for processing **before the agency certifies for pay period ending 12/24**. See **Payroll Adjustments** subsection on Page 2.
- During 2018 year-end closing, agencies will <u>not</u> submit reports 56, 880, or 881 to DOA. Agencies will certify year-to-date totals on Report 83. The year-end certification form, Report 883 final page and certified totals on the Report 83 will be *required* of *all* agencies. See Manual Year-End Adjustments subsection on Page 11.
- Remote print agencies must leave their remote-print printers on from December 27, 2018, through January 2, 2019. Quarter-end and year-end reports will be processed and distributed to agencies during this time.

#### Payroll Processing - Calendar Year-End 2018

#### **Key Dates**

- **Tuesday, December 4** Bi-weekly wage certification cut-off
- Friday, December 7 Prior quarter adjustments due
- Monday, December 10 Semi-monthly salary certification cut-off
- Friday, December 14 W-2 distribution form due to DOA
- Tuesday, December 18 Bi-weekly wage certification cut-off
- Friday, December 21 Semi-monthly certification cut-off
- Monday, December 24; Tuesday, December 25 Holidays (no jobs will run)
- Wednesday, December 26 Last day to certify off cycle pay runs; must have a December check date (31st is regular semi-monthly pay date).
- Thursday, December 27 Files close at noon. Leave keying deadline for period 12/10-24/2018. Agencies can request stop payments of direct deposits and process edits, non-paid updates, manual pay sets, and voids. Last day to correct employee personal information (e.g. employee's new home address) for inclusion on W-2s.
- Thursday, December 27 through Tuesday, January 2 Agencies still using remote print should leave remote printers on.
- Friday, December 28 CIPPS closed for CYE processing until approximately 2pm. Once CYE has completed, the files will be open for entry of bi-weekly wage certifications for check date 01/04/2019 only; however, jobs will not run until night of Monday, December 31.
- Monday, December 31 Holiday; however, certification deadline for bi-weekly wage payroll for check date 01/04/2019. Normal jobs will run Monday night.
- **Tuesday, January 1** Holiday (no jobs will run).
- Thursday, January 10 Semi-monthly certification cut-off
- Friday, January 11 Calendar Year End certifications due to DOA.
- **Tuesday, January 15 -** Bi-weekly wage certification cut-off
- **Tuesday, January 15 L**eave keying deadline for period 12/25/2018 -1/9/2019. Calendar year-end leave processing.
- Friday, January 18; Monday, January 21 Holidays (no jobs will run)
- **Monday, January 28** Semi-monthly certification cut-off.
- Tuesday, January 29 Bi-weekly wage certification cut-off.
- Wednesday, January 30 Last day for W-2s to agencies.
- **Thursday, January 31** Leave keying deadline for period 1/10-24/2019 and last day to distribute W-2s to employees.

#### Payroll Adjustments Overview

Agencies certify quarterly to DOA that they have reconciled their payroll records and all adjustments have been identified and resolved. In prior years, many agency adjustments submitted for processing at year-end were noted as occurring throughout the year. In addition, many new adjustment requirements are identified during the review of Miscellaneous Exception Reports (see page 7) and during the year-end reconciliation process.

To expedite year-end processing and facilitate the issuance of W-2s, you must review your payroll records and key all necessary manual pay-sets in CIPPS, or submit any manual (off-line) adjustments that have been identified to DOA for processing by the established deadlines. Processing adjustments with CIPPS manual pay-sets is highly recommended and encouraged.

Note: Manual pay-sets are most effective when keyed prior to the agency's final (PE 12/24) payroll certification and may require the employee to have some amount of regular pay.

#### Adjustment Types and Deadlines

There are three basic types of adjustments used to make changes to CIPPS records. The following table lists the deadlines for each adjustment type:

Adjustment Type	Deadline
Off-line YTD Earnings and Tax Accumulator	Received by DOA on/before 12/7.
adjustments submitted directly to DOA.(e.g. 10/33	
corrections)	
CIPPS Manual Pay-sets	Most effective if keyed prior to PE
	12/24 certification (reflected on Report
	10), but may be entered through 12/27
	by 11:00 am.
Year-end (Report 883) Adjustments	Friday, January 11 – 5:00 p.m.

Adjustment Type Advantages & Disadvantages The following table lists the common uses and the advantages/disadvantages for each adjustment type. Agencies should carefully consider these when determining which type of adjustment best fits their needs.

<b>Adjust Type</b>	Common Uses	Advantages/Disadvantages
CIPPS Manual Pay- set	Salary repayments; Tax and Deduction refunds and/or adjustments; Manual Voids; Earnings reclassification; Misc. Exception Report adjustments (e.g., Imputed Life)	<ul> <li>Advantages:</li> <li>All refunds and collections processed through CIPPS (if employee receives regular pay).</li> <li>Changes reflect on employee's 12/31 check stub if keyed prior to 12/24 certification.</li> <li>FICA refunds/collections processed through PE 12/24 payroll (if prior to PE 12/24 certification).</li> <li>FIT adjustments paid/collected through FAD (if prior to PE 12/24 certification).</li> <li>SIT adjustments paid/collected through Cardinal.</li> <li>Most deductions recovered through negative deduction process.</li> <li>Will reflect on year-end reports - less work reconciling year-end.</li> <li>Disadvantages:</li> <li>If paid adjustment, employee must receive a regular pay amount of at least .01 (one cent).</li> <li>Terminated employees must be reactivated in order to</li> </ul>
		<ul><li>properly process.</li><li>Special processing (page 5) required after PE 12/24</li></ul>
Off-Line Adjustments submitted directly to DOA	Prior quarter adjustments (unprocessed); "10 to 33" adjustments; Misc Exception Report adjustments	Advantages:  YTD adjustments will reflect on employee's 12/31 earnings notice and W-2, if submitted by certification.  FICA refunds/collections processed through PE 12/24 payroll.  Will reflect on year-end reports - less work reconciling year-end.  Disadvantages:  FIT/SIT tax adjustments not processed through CIPPS without tax overrides.  Any "net" collections require manual deposits.  FIT adjustments reflect on Form 941 return.  SIT adjustments require A/P voucher to Tax.

#### Adjustment Type Advantages & Disadvantages, continued

Adjust Type	Common Uses	Advantages/Disadvantages
Year-end	Manual Voids; Late salary	Advantages:
(Report 883)	repayments; Late taxable-	Changes reflect on employee's W-2.
Adjustments	nontaxable earnings	Changes reflect on agency's W-2 magnetic-media information
	reclassifications (i.e. late	returns.
	workers comp check);	<u>Disadvantages:</u>
	Uncollected Employee	Changes do not appear on employee's earnings notice.
	FICA; errors discovered	FICA/FIT adjustments require manual 941 return deposit or
	during CYE reconciliation.	refund.
		SIT adjustments require recovery through Cardinal (call State
		Payroll Ops for instructions).
		Gross/net adjustments require manual deposit or Cardinal GL
		Journal entry.
		Deductions must be manually recovered.
		Time consuming - more work during YE reconciliation.

How to Process Manual Pay Sets and Void Checks The following must be performed no later than 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 27:

- Key MANUAL PAY SETS into CIPPS,
- Request stop payments of all direct deposit earnings, and
- Checks to be voided must be received by DOA.

A special "Dummy" payrun will be scheduled Thursday, December 27, to process manual pay sets and void checks. This procedure will correct an employee's record on the Report 883 (CALENDAR YEAR-END EMPLOYEE DETAIL AUDIT LISTING). Because no checks will be written, third-party suspense items will be created for all federal tax, OASDI, HI, and miscellaneous third-party amounts that are part of the voids and/or manual paysets. The following steps must be taken to clear these items.

Step	Action	Done by
1.	Prepare a journal entry charging the agency in Cardinal for the total of the suspense items created.	DOA
2.	Delete all items from the Third Party Suspense File as part of the year-end process. These are listed on the U014 report and affect only Federal Tax Deposits (FAD) and agency-level third-party remittances (i.e. Reciprocal State Taxes, Employee Associations, Pre-tax Transportation programs, etc.).	DOA
3.	Recover overpayment of Federal, OASDI, and HI taxes when 4th quarter Form 941 is filed. Agencies will receive refund checks from the IRS (unless the refund is off-set by other charges).	DOA
4.	Recover overpayments to miscellaneous vendors identified in step 2 above (other than FAD). This may require depositing the agency-level check, subtracting the employee deduction, and processing a payment voucher for the revised amount.	Agency
5.	Like normal payruns, the "dummy" payrun will recover most employee-level deductions through the negative deduction process. Therefore, if the funds are collected outside of CIPPS and the adjustment is for "Masterfile only" updates contact <a href="majorage-payroll@doa.virginia.gov">payroll@doa.virginia.gov</a> .	Agency

How to Process Void Checks External to CIPPS For year-end processing, it is sometimes necessary to process 2018 VOID checks **externally** to CIPPS. Agencies must complete the following procedures if it is necessary to void CY 2018 checks after 12/27/2018.

Step	Action		
1.	Do not write on or stamp the check "VOID."		
2.	Endorse the check "For Deposit Only - by: (agency name)" and deposit it to a		
	Treasurer of Virginia account. Follow established procedures for entering Deposit		
	Certificates in Cardinal. Deposit any employee-level third party checks (i.e.		
	garnishments) also.		
3.	Agency-level third-party deduc	tions (i.e. Employee Associations and Pre-tax	
	Transportation programs) - Rec	cover from vendor or deposit the next check into your	
	agency account, recalculate the	amount less the employee deduction, and process a	
	payment voucher to vendor for	the correct amount.	
4.	Direct Deposit (all ACH DD de	eductions) - To retrieve money from the bank, contact	
		, or 371-4883 or e-mail <u>ach@doa.virginia.gov</u> .	
	<b>Direct Deposit funds must be</b>	retrieved within 5 days after the check date.	
5.	Contact Department of Accoun	ts State Payroll Ops for directions on how to request	
	refund from Virginia Departme	ent of Taxation for state tax withholdings. If	
	reciprocal/non-Virginia state ta	xes require adjustment, then your agency must request a	
	refund on your Annual Reconci	iliation & Return for the other state.	
6.	If Optional Retirement Plan, re-	quest a refund from DOA; otherwise, contact VRS for	
	further instructions.		
7.	Adjust employee records, as required, using year-end procedures, or request a		
	corrected W-2 (form W-2C) if past the YE certification deadline.		
8.	Recover miscellaneous employee-level deductions through the following instructions.		
	Refunds requested through DO	A will be credited to the agency by Cardinal journal	
	entry.		
	If deduction is	Then	
	Combined VA campaign	Request refund from the vendor.	
	Deferred Compensation	Submit a Mistake of Fact to VRS to request refund. A	
		1099 may be issued to the employee by the TPA for	
	P.00 CT 11.0	the amount.	
	DSS Child Support (Ded 001)	Request a refund from Department of Social Services.	
	Flexible Reimbursement	Request a refund from DHRM, Office of Health	
	Account	Benefits.	
	Garnishment Fees	Request a refund on the Health Core Contification	
	Health Care	Request a refund on the Health Care Certification.	
	Supplemental Insurance and	Request a refund from vendor(s).	
	Tax Sheltered Annuities Optional Group Life	Request a refund from Minnesota Life.	
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Correct Reporting of Employee Social Security Numbers Approaching calendar year-end DOA submits a complete file of data to SSA for verification in an effort to provide cleansed data when performing W-2 reporting. The file will be submitted by 11/30. Agencies will be notified of any name/SSN match discrepancies to be researched and corrected. Agencies should ensure the information for anyone hired after 11/30 is verified. The Internal Revenue Service can fine agencies \$100 for every incorrect social security number remitted for W-2 reporting.

To identify potentially incorrect social security numbers, Report 808, VERIFICATION REPORT - USED TO VERIFY EMPLOYEE NAMES AND ADDRESSES PRIOR TO ISSUING W-2S, displays for each individual employee the SSN, address, and withholding information. If any discrepancy is identified, your agency should correct the CIPPS masterfile information prior to year-end certification (NO LATER THAN 11:00 a.m. on 12/27/2018).

#### Excess Deferrals

DOA establishes a goal amount for Deferred Compensation and Annuities based on the employees' age each year. This should prevent excess deferrals. However, should an excess deferral occur, employers should contact the appropriate vendor to ensure the excess is returned to the employee and a Form 1099 generated. Please check participants' withholdings prior to year-end to identify anyone who has exceeded maximum withholding limits. The limits for CY 2018 are:

<b>Deferral Category</b>	457 Deferred	403(b) Tax-Deferred
	<b>Compensation Plan</b>	Account
Normal Annual	\$18,500	\$18,500
Limit		
Age 50 Catch-Up	\$6,000	\$6,000
457 Standard Catch-	\$18,500	N/A
Up		
403(b) 15-Year	N/A	\$3,000
Catch-Up		

NOTE: See Payroll Bulletin 2018-01 for more information on limits and exceptions.

https://www.doa.virginia.gov/reference/payroll/bulletins/2018/2018-01.pdf

#### **Miscellaneous Exception Reports**

Agency Review & Corrective Action Required

DOA has developed several "exception" type reports to assist agencies in identifying possible problems prior to year-end processing. Agencies should request the following reports (must be set up on Company header) no later than early December to ensure adequate time for review and correction. Note that these reports may not apply to all agencies. They are produced based on exception criteria; therefore, if you do not receive any of these reports, your agency did not meet the exception criteria and no action is required.

Report #	Report Name (Short)	Purpose
844*	YTD OASDI Tax - Employee	Identifies employees who may have OASDI
	not equal to employer.	Tax withheld incorrectly.
846*	YTD OASDI Taxable -	Identifies employees who may have OASDI
	Employee not equal to	Taxable amounts reported incorrectly.
	employer.	
848*	YTD HI Tax - Employee not	Identifies employees who may have HI Tax
	equal to employer.	withheld incorrectly.
850*	YTD HI Taxable - Employee	Identifies employees who may have HI Taxable
	not equal to employer.	amounts reported incorrectly
858	Uncollected FICA	Identifies employees who may have uncollected
		FICA. Uncollected FICA is allowable only in
		cases where imputed life or tips are reported for
		employees with no pay. All other uncollected
		FICA must be investigated and collected from
		employees.
860	List of Employees to be	Identifies employees with Employee Status "3"
	Purged at Year End	and YTD Gross equal to zero. These records
	Processing	will be deleted from the masterfile during
		calendar year end processing. See additional
		information in Year End Processing on page 13.
861	List of Employees Whose	Identifies employees with YTD Gross equal to
	Status Should Be Changed	zero. Employee status on H0BES should be
	to 3	updated to "3" so that these records can be
		deleted during calendar year end processing.
		See additional information in Year End
0.01		Processing on page 13.
891	Employees with YTD	Identifies employees who received Deceased
	Deceased Pay (Special Pay	Pay (Special Pay Codes 054, 055) during the
010	054, 055)	calendar year.
912	CIPPS Employees Who Have	Identifies employees who reached the maximum
	Reached the Maximum Social	OASDI withholding amount during the calendar
	Security Wage Base	year. Should be used before certification of first
		pay in new calendar year to ensure OASDI
015	VTD State Toyohle Wesser	taxes are withheld.
915	YTD State Taxable Wages Different from Federal	Identifies employees whose state taxable wages
	Different from Federal	do not equal federal taxable wages.

<sup>\*</sup> It is essential this report be reviewed and corrective action taken prior to the final payroll certification of 2018. Contact <a href="mailto:payroll@doa.virginia.gov">payroll@doa.virginia.gov</a> for procedural clarification if necessary.

### December 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		4				1 9AM - CIPPS files open - no edits or payruns
2 9AM - CIPPS files open - no edits or payruns	3	Bi-weekly wage certification deadline period #1 (PE: 11/22, 11/24, 11/25) VNAV/CIPPS Update	5 New Hire Report TPA Upload Deferred Comp Transaction Upload	6	Payday for bi- weekly wage employees  Due to DOA: Prior Qtr Adj	8 9AM - CIPPS files open - no edits or payruns
9 9AM - CIPPS files open - no edits or payruns	10 Semi-monthly salaried certification deadline Period #1 (11/25-12/09)	11	12	13 Leave keying deadline (11/25-12/09)	14 Payday for semi- monthly salaried employees TPA Upload Due to DOA: W2 Distribution Form	9AM - CIPPS files open - no edits or payruns
16 9AM - CIPPS files open - no edits or payruns	17	Bi-weekly wage certification deadline period #2 (PE: 12/6, 12/8, 12/9)	19 New Hire Report	20	21 Payday for bi- weekly wage employees  Semi-monthly salaried certification deadline Period #2 (12/10-12/24)	9AM - CIPPS files open - no edits or payruns
23 9AM - CIPPS files open - no edits or payruns	24 State Holiday: Christmas Eve	25 State Holiday: Christmas	26 Last day to certify off cycle for 12/28 check date	27 Leave keying deadline (12/10-12/24)  FILES CLOSE AT NOON FOR CYE  No Pay certifications allowed. Files open for keying updates only. Last day to process 2018 manual paysets, edits, non-paid updates, voids and stop payments of direct deposit earnings.	28 November Healthcare Cert Due  FILES CLOSED FOR CYE  Cert for Bi-weekly wage with check date 01/04/2019 may be entered when files reopen – no payruns	29 9AM - CIPPS files open - no edits or payruns
30 9AM - CIPPS files open - no edits or payruns	State Holiday: New Year's Eve Payday for semi- monthly salaried employees Bi-weekly wage certification deadline period #1 (PE: 12/20, 12/22, 12/23)			agents		

### January 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 State Holiday: New Year's Day Files closed	2 New Hire Report	3 VNAV/CIPPS Update	4 Payday for bi- weekly wage employees  Deferred Comp Transaction Upload  TPA Upload	5 9AM - CIPPS files open - no edits or payruns
6 9AM - CIPPS files open - no edits or payruns	7	8	9	Semi-monthly salaried certification Period #1 (12/25-01/09)	11 CYE Cert Due	12 9AM – CIPPS files open – no edits or payruns
13 9AM – CIPPS files open – no edits or payruns	14	Bi-weekly wage certification deadline period #2 (PE: 1/3, 1/5, 1/6)  Leave keying deadline (12/25-01/09)	Payday for semi-monthly salaried employees  New Hire Report	17 TPA Upload VNAV- ORPHE/CIPPS Upload	18 State Holiday: Lee-Jackson Day  Payday for bi- weekly wage employees	19 9AM - CIPPS files open - no edits or payruns
20 9AM - CIPPS files open - no edits or payruns	21 State Holiday: M L King, Jr. Day	22	23	24	25	26 9AM - CIPPS files open - no edits or payruns
27 9AM - CIPPS files open - no edits or payruns	Semi-monthly salaried certification deadline Period #2 (01/10-01/24)	Bi-weekly wage certification deadline period #2 (PE: 1/17, 1/19, 1/20)	30 New Hire Report	31 All W2s to Employees  Leave keying Deadline (01/10-01/24)  December Healthcare Cert Due		

#### **Year-End Processing**

Manual Year-End Adjustments Procedures Follow these instructions regarding year-end adjustments and certification.

- Enter the **TOTAL CORRECT AMOUNTS** clearly on the Employee File Adjustment Form (see attachment at end of the bulletin), *not the amount to be added to or subtracted from the incorrect amount.* DOA must be able to read the correct amount. Identify corrections to all required fields (e.g., YTD employee and employer portions).
- Include original pages from Report 883 that contain *adjusted* employee totals and the *adjusted totals* page of Report 83. The Report 883 total **must** also be included to assist in balancing and for W-2 counts. *Do not submit the amount of the correction*. The agency Fiscal Officer must sign Report 83.
- Explain why the manual adjustment is necessary either at the bottom or on the reverse of each adjustment form. Unacceptable or missing explanations will result in a delay as the adjustment will not be keyed until a written explanation is received.
- If you have SUI adjustments, corrected amounts should be provided to VEC using their online application. Adjustments should also be provided to Chris Loftus at VEC for statistical reporting purposes; either mark up the hard copy Report U057 showing the correction and fax it to Chris Loftus at 804-692-0945 or email the correction information to <a href="mailto:Chris.Loftus@vec.virginia.gov">Chris.Loftus@vec.virginia.gov</a> No adjustments should be included on Reports 83 and 883.

#### Return the following to DOA by Friday, 5:00 PM, January 11, 2019

If you	Remit the following(see forms at the end of the bulletin)
Have manual adjustments,	Original pages of Report 883 reflecting employees who require manual adjustments along with the adjusted YTD figures.
	Employee File Adjustment forms (enter new YTD amounts, not the amount of the correction).
	Company total pages of Report 83 containing adjusted figures and the 2018 YEAR-END CERTIFICATION - both signed by the agency Fiscal Officer
	Report 883 Final Total page showing the W-2 counts.
	➤ W-2s will be generated after all adjustments have been processed and balanced to the certified Reports 83 and 883 total pages.
Do not have manual adjustments	Completed Year-End Certification form and company total pages of Report 83 as well as the final page of Report 883. All three documents should include the agency Fiscal Officer's signature.

W-2s will be generated upon receipt of the complete certification package, typically on a first come, first serve basis.

You will be contacted when W-2s for your agency are ready. Please do not call DOA asking when they will be ready.

#### Year-End Processing, continued

#### Non-Resident Aliens -Form 1042 Preparation

Nonresident Aliens (NRAs) should be issued W-2s. Due to the severe complexity of tax treaty laws, DOA highly recommends that agencies not offer tax treaty benefits to their non-US citizens. Only if your agency is offering tax treaty benefits would you need to make certain adjustments to those employees' records at year end. If you are not offering treaty benefits, then those NRAs on your payroll should receive W-2s just like all of your other employees. No adjustments would be required at year end. In very limited cases, certain NRAs are FICA exempt. These should be identified and adjusted immediately prior to year-end.

## Tax Treaty processing

Agencies must adhere to the following guidelines regarding tax treaties. For each employee that received the benefits of a tax treaty, you will need to complete the Employee File Adjustment Form to reduce the employee's W-2 by the tax treaty amount that will be reported manually on a 1042-S form. Each agency is responsible for completing their own 1042 and 1042-S forms and submitting them in accordance with established deadlines to the IRS.

#### Turn On Remote Printers

Quarter-end reports (56/880/881) and year-end reports (83/883) will be generated from December 27 through January 1. Make sure the Year End Certification included at the end of this bulletin is used instead of the usual Quarterly Certification.

#### Deductions Generally – CVC

All deduction year-to-date accumulators will be set to zero during calendar year-end processing. Any deduction (i.e. garnishments, levies, etc.) using the Goal field to stop the deduction should be checked prior to processing your first payroll in 2019 since it may automatically reactivate depending on how it was established.

DOA will process a mass transaction to turn-off CVC, Deduction #062, (change frequency to 00) and to change the AMT/PCT, GOAL and UTILITY fields on H0ZDC to all zeros. DOA will process an update provided by DHRM to establish CVC deductions for calendar year 2019 the first week in January. Reports will be provided by DHRM and some manual entry may be required as well.

REMINDER – Do not attempt to enter CVC deductions until CIPPS files are restored following year-end processing, scheduled for December 27, 2018, through December 28, 2018.

Additional information on deductions will be included in the 2019 Payroll Operations Payroll Bulletin to be issued in December.

#### Year-End Processing, continued

#### Terminated Employee Records

Report 860, CIPPS Employees to be Purged at Year-End Processing, identifies those employees who will be purged at the end of December.

At year-end all employee records with an employment status of 3 and year-to-date gross equal to zero will be purged.

#### Employee Records to be Terminated

Report 861, CIPPS Employees Whose Status Should Be Changed to a '3', identifies those employees that have not received a payment through CIPPS in the current calendar year. This year DOA will move everyone on this report to a status of 3 and purge them at year end.

#### **Year-End Leave Processing**

Calendar Year-End Processing for CIPPS Leave Accounting In accordance with DHRM policy annual leave balances will be reduced to the maximum accrual limits (indicated in the Annual Leave Policy, Number 4.10) as of the close of business (leave keying deadline) on January 15, 2019.

DOA will provide agencies with Report U028 (*Leave Accounting Pending Annual Leave Lost*) to identify employees who may lose annual leave at the end of the established calendar year.

- Report U028 will be generated on November 29 and December 13. Individuals listed will have a warning message on their earnings notices dated 12/14 and 12/31 stating that annual leave may be lost if not used by January 9, 2019.
- The Report U028 generated for leave as of 11/24 around 11/29/2018 will only reflect accruals for two pay periods (PE 12/9 & 12/24). This means you will have to add another period of annual leave accruals (for 1/9) to these individuals' balances to reflect a more accurate number of hours that may be deleted on the close of business 1/15/2019. Additionally, this report will not list employees that may only exceed their annual leave limits with the third, or un-projected, period.
- The report generated for leave as of 12/9 on 12/13/17 will reflect the accruals for the remaining two pay periods (12/24 & 1/9) of the leave calendar year. This report will also list those employees who at that time may exceed their annual leave limits.

At close of business January 15:

- Leave balances will be updated with leave transactions that have been entered for the period ending January 9.
- Accruals for annual and sick leave will be generated.
- Year-to-date leave usage accumulators with the exception of military leave will be zeroed (i.e., sick family, family/personal, civil, community service, etc.) and any excess annual leave will be deleted based on the employee's years of service.
- Yearly allocations of VSDP leave will load.

**Note:** Maintenance entries may be required for receipt of late leave slips.

#### Year-End Leave Processing, continued

#### VSDP Recipients

Employees coded as "VSDP Recipients" on the HPIUS will not receive their annual Sick Personal (SP) and Family Personal (FP) leave allocations. Some employees who received prior STD benefits may have returned to work, but still have the SDP Recipient indicator coded "Y". DOA has developed Report #902 to identify all employees with an active SDP recipient indicator. Agencies interested in requesting this report should submit a request to <a href="mailto:payroll@doa.virginia.gov">payroll@doa.virginia.gov</a> to have their CIPPS Company Header updated prior to using the online request (HSRUP).

#### Leave Questions

Direct questions or comments regarding leave to <a href="mailto:payroll@doa.virginia.gov">payroll@doa.virginia.gov</a>

#### W-2 Forms

#### Overview

This year, DOA will again use self-sealed employee-copy Forms W-2. Just like the previous forms there will be one sheet of paper with 4 copies of the W-2 with the Z-fold and self-seal in the same manner as printed checks and earnings notices.

An employee may receive more than one W-2 if taxes were withheld for more than one state or locality. An additional W-2 may also be generated if an employee has more than 4 entries in BOX 12 or if the employee has more than one Employee ID Number in CIPPS.

Your employer copy of the W-2 will reside in Payline. Agency personnel must have masking to access the W-2 information. Please refer to the following link for information on Payline and Masking:

https://www.doa.virginia.gov/onlineservices.shtml#payline

Agencies withholding payroll taxes for other states are responsible for filing their own state reconciliations and information returns. As in previous years Employer copies of the W-2s will be provided for this purpose. Please be aware of the specific filing deadlines in each individual state.

**DO NOT SEND PAPER COPIES OF W-2s** to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS)/Social Security Administration (SSA). DOA submits W-2 data to the IRS/SSA, as well as to the Virginia Department of Taxation, on behalf of all CIPPS agencies.

#### **Distribution**

Complete the W-2 DISTRIBUTION FORM and FAX it to State Payroll Operations by December 14 at (804) 225-3499. Form may also be sent to <a href="mayroll@doa.virginia.gov">payroll@doa.virginia.gov</a>.

This form is divided into the following sections:

- **Sort Order** Agencies can select the sort order for their W-2s. The *default* W-2 sort order is alphabetical by employee (last name, first name, and middle initial) within organization code. The *alternative* sort order is alphabetical by employee within the agency (i.e., ignores organization codes). Please review your distribution process and indicate your preferred sort order on the form.
- **Distribution** Agencies can choose whether to pick up their W-2s at DOA or have them mailed via UPS. (UPS delivery will not be provided to agencies within the Richmond Metropolitan area.) Client agencies of the Payroll Service Bureau may elect to have W-2s mailed directly to the employees (agency will be billed for postage).
- **Agency Contact** Agencies must provide a primary agency contact for DOA to notify regarding W-2 distribution. DOA will notify agencies when their W-2s are ready for distribution. **Do not make inquiries as to when your W-2s will be ready.**

#### How to Obtain a Duplicate W-2

The IRS does not specify the time frame in which duplicate W-2s must be reissued. Agencies have three options when employees request that you issue duplicate W-2s:

Option	Action
1	Check your returned W-2s file to see if the W-2 was returned as undeliverable.
	If so, send this copy to the employee.
2	Use Payline Masking to print the employee a replacement W-2.
3	Counsel employees on the use of Payline to print their own replacement

### Moving and Relocation

The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (Public Law 115-97) temporarily suspended the exclusion for qualified moving expense reimbursements under section 132(a)(6) and (g) effective for tax years 2018 through 2025. However, reimbursements made in 2018 for moves that took place in 2017 were grandfathered and treated as non-taxable even though they will not be reported separately on the W2 for 2018. All other moving expenses and expense reimbursements will be reported in boxes 1, 3, and 5 of Form W-2 as these amounts are subject to federal income tax withholding and social security and Medicare taxes.

Agencies are responsible for ensuring that any payments made to common carriers through accounts payable on behalf of employees for moves that occurred in 2018 have been added to the employee's taxable wages for 2018 prior to the last payroll certified for 2018.

Deceased Worker's Wages Report 891 (*Employees With YTD Deceased Pay*) provides a listing of all employees in your agency that have been paid either Deceased Pay One or Deceased Pay Two. A 'deceased' status is no longer reflected on the employee's W-2, however, Deceased Pay amounts must still be reported as follows:

Special Pay Type	How Handled For W-2 Reporting
Deceased Pay 1 – Dec-Curr	These amounts will not be included in Federal and State Wages on the year-end audit reports.
(Special Pay 54 - current year)	Both the OASDI/HI Taxable amounts and the OASDI/HI Taxes     Withheld will be included on the year-end audit reports and will     also be reported on a W-2.
	• The Federal wages associated with deceased pay must be reported in Box 3 on a Form 1099-MISC. Refer to the IRS instructions for 2018 form 1099-MISC for proper entries on the 1099-MISC. The 1099-MISC should be made out to the name and SSN of the beneficiary if paid to an individual or the name and TIN of the estate if paid to the executor/administrator of the estate. 1099-MISC should not be made to "the estate of" with the deceased employee's SSN.
Deceased Pay 2 – Dec-Prior (Special Pay 55 -	• Excluded from your quarter and year-end reports. Wages paid <i>in the calendar year after death</i> are exempt from FIT, OASDI, HI, and State withholding.
prior year)	The agency must report this compensation on a Form 1099-MISC to the estate or beneficiary of the employee. A W-2 is not an appropriate reporting instrument for this payment.

#### **Box 12 Entries** DOA will report the following amounts in box 12 on the W-2:

Item Reported	Box 12 Code		
Tax Sheltered Annuities (403-b) amounts (Deduction 39)	Е		
Deferred Compensation (457) amounts (Deduction 38)	G		
Imputed Life (Special Pay 014) amounts C			
Uncollected Social Security (OASDI) amounts	M		
Uncollected Medicare (HI) amounts	N		
Roth 403(b) amounts (Deduction 043)	BB		
Cost of employer-sponsored health coverage	DD		
Roth 457 amounts (Deduction 052)	EE		

Please note: Employee-paid member contributions (401(a)(17) plan) are not reported on the W-2.

Health Insurance Reporting DHRM Office of Health Benefits will provide DOA with the amount of health care costs to be reported on the W-2s for calendar year 2018. This amount will be reflected in Box 12 with a code of DD. DHRM will issue all 1094 and 1095 reports as required by the IRS.

#### W-2 Form Content Descriptions

This list identifies the coding in all boxes included on an employee's W-2 form and provides a description.

Field	Title	Description
a	Employee's social security number	Self-explanatory.
b	Employer's Identification Number	Employer's Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN).
С	Employer's Name, Address, and Zip Code	Self-explanatory.
d	Control Number	Not used
e & f	Employee's Identification Number, Organizational Code, Name, Address, and Zip Code	Self-explanatory.
1	Wages, Tips, Other Compensation	Sum of federal taxable plus federal nontaxable (reportable) wages.
2	Federal Income Tax Withheld	Amount of Federal income tax withheld.
3	Social Security Wages	Amount of OASDI taxable wages. Maximum is \$127,200.
4	Social Security Tax Withheld	Amount of OASDI tax withheld. Maximum is \$7,886.40
5	Medicare Wages and Tips	Amount of HI or Medicare taxable wages.
6	Medicare Tax Withheld	Amount of HI or Medicare tax withheld.
7	Social Security Tips	Tips subject to OASDI tax.
8	Allocated Tips	Tips allocated to the employee.
9	Not Used	Not used. Should be blank.
10	Dependent Care Benefits	Amount deducted through the Dependent Care Flexible Reimbursement Account (Deduction #021).
11	Nonqualified Plans	Not used. Should be blank.
12	Multi-purpose:	Box <u>may</u> contain the following required items with labels assigned by IRS:
	С	Group Term Insurance Coverage over \$50,000 (Special Pay 14 - Imputed Life)
	Е	Section 403(b) plans (Deduction 039 - Annuities)
	G	Section 457 plans (Deduction 038 - Deferred Compensation)

#### W-2 Form Content Descriptions (continued)

Field	Title	Description	
12,	Multi-	Box may contain the following required items with labels	
cont.	purpose:	assigned by IRS:	
	M	Uncollected OASDI on Group Term Life Insurance Coverage over \$50,000	
	N	Uncollected HI on Group Term Life Insurance Coverage over \$50,000	
	BB	Roth 403(b) – Deduction 043	
	DD	Cost of employer-sponsored health coverage	
	EE	Roth 457 – Deduction 052	
	<b>Note:</b> Only four items can print in BOX 12. If an employee has more that four of these items, a second W-2 will be printed with basic identification information on it, but it will not repeat the wage and tax information print on the first form.		
13	This box contains checkboxes that are marked with an "X" if they apply.		
	Status not equindicator unless  RETIREMENT plan for any pa	EMPLOYEE - Employee's FIT Status is equal to 1 and FICA al to a 1 on the H0BAD screen. Note: DOA will override this as specifically requested by the agency in writing.  TPLAN - If employee was an active participant in a retirement art of a year. Contributions to non-qualified plans or 457	
	plans are excluded. Contributions to 403(b) plans are included.		
		Y SICK PAY - Not applicable.	
14	Other	Company Car – Special Pay 07 – Co. Car	
15	State	Two-character abbreviation of the state and the employer's identification number.	
16	State Wages, Tips, Etc.	Amount of state taxable wages. This can include imputed life and may also include any company-paid DI tax.	
17	State Income Tax	The state of the s	
18	Locality Name	Name of the local taxing entity.	
19	Local Wages, Tips, Etc.	Amount of local taxable wages. (Note: For Maryland these amounts are reported with State.)	
20	Local Income Tax	Amount of local income tax. (Note: For Maryland these amounts are reported with State Tax.)	

#### **Contact Information**

#### Calendar Year End

State Payroll Operations has experienced a considerable amount of turnover due to retirements and transfers lately. A new contact list will be provided in the Calendar Year Beginning bulletin in December.

Until then, please direct all inquiries to <a href="mailto:payroll@doa.virginia.gov">payroll@doa.virginia.gov</a>.

Thank you for your cooperation.

### **Summary of Quarter and Year-to-Date Reports**

Report	Description	Agencies Use Report to
56 – Quarterly Composite Tax Report	Comprehensive tax report by tax unit, country, state, local, and establishment.	Balance year-to-date activity. Agency use only. Do not send to DOA. Balance year-to-date activity.
880 – Employee Quarterly Tax Report #1	uarterly Tax Report establishment, and employee number for prior quarter (4 <sup>th</sup>	
881 – Employee Tax Report #2	Tax information by tax unit, country, state, local, establishment, and employee number for prior quarter (4 <sup>th</sup> quarter 2018) and year-to-date. Report contains fields ordinarily not used by agencies and includes fields that are normally \$0 such as DI TAX. No report unless one or more report fields have a year-to-date amount greater than zero.	
Reports Contain the information included on the W-2. Note that FIT Taxable plus FIT Nontaxable is reported in Box 1 (wages, tips, other compensation). State Wages (Box 16) may or may not equal to Box 1 depending on how your employee		Balance year-to-date activity. See "Manual Year-End Adjustments Procedures" earlier in this payroll bulletin for remitting guidance.
U018 – Leave Accounting Annual Leave Lost Report	Calendar year-end annual leave balances adjusted for maximum carry over limits.	Monitor leave activity.
U021 – Leave Accounting Individual Leave History	Leave transactions by employee for 01/10/17 to 01/09/18.	
U028 – Leave Accounting Pending Annual Leave Lost	Lists employees who may potentially lose leave at the end of the year.	Monitor leave activity. See page 13 of this bulletin for detailed instructions.
U030 – Workers Compensation Report	Prior and current quarter amount (July - December by Workers Compensation Code).	For information only.
U035 – Leave Accounting Year-end Leave Usage Summary	Leave usage for the calendar year for each leave type by agency.	Monitor leave activity.
U057 – Quarterly Employee Count	Monthly count of employees and quarterly wages by FIPS Code (Area Detail Attachment).	Compare SUI wage totals to Report 56 company totals. If different, report corrected total to VEC (see page 11).
U090 – FIPS Code Error Report	If any amounts are shown, these figures must be added to the totals reported to VEC (see page 11). Additionally, employee records should be corrected in CIPPS.	Use in conjunction with U057.
858 – Year-to-date Uncollected FICA	Shows employees who have uncollected OASDI and HI amounts.	Review to ensure propriety of uncollected amounts due to imputed life. If not, remove from 83/883.
891 – Employees With YTD Deceased Pay (Special Pay 54 & 55)  Shows employees who have been paid either Deceased Pay One (Special Pay 54) or Deceased Pay Two (Special Pay 55).		Review for accuracy.

#### Summary of Quarter and Year-to-Date Reports, continued

#### **Optional Reports**

Report	Description	Agencies Use Report to
808 – Verification	Used to verify employee name and address prior to	Verify accuracy of employee's
Report	issuing W-2s.	names and addresses.

These reports can be requested on-line on either the HSRUP or HSRUT screens. Contact <u>payroll@doa.virginia.gov</u> for assistance.

#### **Attachments**

Attachments

The following attachments are to be used in the Year-End Process.

- Employee File Adjustment Form
- 2018 Year-End Certification
- W-2 Distribution Form

Employee File Adjustment Form
2018 Year-End Adjustments Only
REPORT THE CORRECT AMOUNT, NOT THE AMOUNT OF THE ADJUSTMENT

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### **2018 YEAR-END CERTIFICATION**

Cor	npany N	Jame: Number:
1.		ertify that we have reconciled our Year-to-Date (YTD) Report 83/883 totals by f the following methods (check one box):
	OR	By review and reconciliation of all Report U092 and U093 (CIPPS YTD 10/33 Reconciliation Reports) differences.
		<ul> <li>By manual or spreadsheet reconciliation of all 4 quarters, based on</li> <li>Report 10 (Payroll and Deduction Register)</li> <li>Report 33 (Composite Tax Report)</li> <li>Report 880/881 (Employee Quarterly Tax Reports)</li> </ul>
2.	Statı	us of differences (check one box):
	OR	There are no differences or all differences are valid and no adjustments are required
		All differences are identified and the required adjustments are included on the attached Employee File Adjustment Forms. Valid explanations are attached to the adjustment sheet for processing purposes.
		below X the box if can be certified. If not provide an explanation below the item or e side of the page explaining why it cannot be certified.
3.		We certify that all non-paid/non-cash items for the year have been entered. Examples include, but are not limited to: Reportable Meals, Housing, Personal Use of State Vehicles, Taxable Tuition, Telework Expenses, Moving & Relocation Expenses, Gift Cards, Weight Watchers reimbursement amounts, etc.
4.		We certify that we have reviewed each Report 831 created during the year, and certify that we are in compliance with state policies regarding mandated direct deposit and elimination of earnings notice print.
5.		We certify that we are in compliance with state policies regarding elimination of earning notices print.
6.		We certify that the pending file has been reviewed and all prior year transactions which should be removed have been deleted.
7.		We certify that we have reviewed each VRS Automated Reconciliation produced to date and performed corrective actions as deemed appropriate.
8.		We certify that all Workers Compensation awards have been applied to the employee record so that taxable income reflected is correct.

### **2018 YEAR-END CERTIFICATION**

Company Name:			Number:	
9.	Fede	ral and State Wage Verification (	check one, attach expl	anation of differences):
	OR OR	No differences between total FIT T should be no differences between resident.	_	
		Differences exist and are valid	FIT Taxable: SIT Taxable: DIFFERENCE:	
10.		Certification of Taxable Wage Two Certify that the attached Report wages paid, and associated tax wi	rt 83/883 accurately ref	
A ger	nov Fig	cal Officer Signature		Date
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Due Friday, January 11, 2019

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# W-2 Distribution Form FOR CALENDAR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2018

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Agency Fiscal Officer Signature:	Date:	
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<b>Non-Payroll Service Bureau Agencies</b> <i>NOT</i> in the you want W-2s to be distributed to your agency. (Yo the Richmond area.).		
Pick Up at DOA	UPS	
Payroll Service Bureau (PSB) Distribution - Please pick up W-2s for agencies serviced by the Bureau, be		
PSB bulk ship to Agency Central Office for	or agency distribution	
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PSB mail W-2s directly to employees (Ag	gency will be charged for postage)	
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AGENCY (	CONTACT	
Name FAX #	Phone #	
Email Address		
Other Information		

FAX by December 14 to: State Payroll Operations - Year-End Coordinator (804) 225-3499

Or email to <a href="mailto:payroll@doa.virginia.gov">payroll@doa.virginia.gov</a>