



Intragovernmental Transactions Work Group Meeting Minutes 01/10/2017, 2:00 p.m.

Thanks to all who participated in the ITWG meeting! We are encouraged by the number of participants, the questions asked, and the quality of discussions that ensued.

Several ITWG invitees notified us they received a busy signal. We have elevated the issue and are working closely with our IT folks to resolve.

The ITWG Meeting started promptly at 2pm, the agenda was sent prior to the meeting to all invitees. Alex Abshire opened the meeting by welcoming everyone. The agenda included the following presentations:

- Treasury Bulletin by Keith Jarboe
- Statutory Authority by Brian Casto
- Conditional GT&C by Wes Vincent
- Impact to Data Elements by Wes Vincent
- Receipt and Acceptance by Bill Schmidt
- Invoice Data Exchanges by Bill Schmidt
- IGT Day by Brian Casto
- ITWG Survey by Brian Casto

Discussions:

Keith Jarboe went over the background, mission, purpose, benefits, preparation, and guidance for Treasury Bulletin 2017-03 that was published in December 2016. Link to the bulletin can be found here: <http://tfm.fiscal.treasury.gov/v1/bull/17-03.html>

Brian Casto evaluated statutory authority of Interagency Agreements and where data elements for authority should be captured. The intent of the GT&C (Form 7600A) is to set the scope, responsibilities, stipulations, restrictions, termination clauses between trading partners, while the intent of the Order (Form 7600B) is to specify terms, quantities, prices, funding, TAS/BETC, SLOA, and other accounting data. Since statutory authority drives accounting events, such as deobligations, further down the transaction lifecycle, we recommended moving certain authority data elements from the GT&C to the Order. These changes would ensure the consistency of accounting treatment and eliminate the need for an agency to create multiple GT&Cs with the same trading partner for multiple statutory authority combinations.

We are recommending that 14 Statutory Authority Data Elements be moved from the GT&C to the Order, including:

- (6 elements involving) Requesting/Service Agency Authority Fund Type, Title and Citation
- (4 elements involving) Requesting/Service Agency's Statutory Authority Title and Citation
- (4 elements involving) Requesting/Service Program Authority Title and Citation

Key benefits of this change include:

- Eliminating need to create multiple GT&Cs with the same trading partner for multiple statutory authority combinations
- Allowing accounting treatment to be referenced at Order level and ensures consistency
- Reducing redundancy of recordkeeping

Wes Vincent introduced the idea for Conditional GT&C functionality, in which agencies can choose to utilize the GT&C and associated workflow, or could opt to streamline the transaction flow by skipping the initial overarching GT&C document and begin at the Order.

IGT Day will be Thursday, April 6, 2017 at the USDA Jefferson Auditorium in Washington DC. Registration is open to ITWG community through Jan 27th to ensure ITWG participants have priority registration.

<https://fiscal.treasury.gov/fstraining/events/2017igtday.htm>

The next ITWG meeting is scheduled for 2/14/17. We will be focusing on Invoicing, Settlement, and Remittance.

Questions

Q) Steve Johnson from Coast Guard asked if the funding type of each trading partner must match. No, both trading partners can cite independent authority types.

Q) Amber from NSF asked if all agencies are required to go-live at once. No, there will be roll out schedules developed for agency onboarding

Q) Lana Null from ESC asked if there will be a Treasury mandate on the 7600 forms. Yes, Treasury will mandate G-Invoicing at a future date.

Q) Stephanie from FCI mentioned that DOD requires extra fields that other civilian agencies do not. This information will be included in the SLOA and other accounting information on the Order section.

Q) NIA asked if it will be required to convert existing IAA data into the system when agency implements G-Invoicing. Existing data can be mapped into G-Invoicing either manually or through interfaces.

Q) Mike Shannon from DOD asked the civilian agencies if they always use some type of intragovernmental agency agreement (IAA) prior to initiating or accepting IGT buy/sell orders, or only under certain conditions. Does your agency use the 7600A (GT&C) agreement? These questions were added to the ITWG survey for response.

Q) CMS asked how the DOD pilot is progressing. DOD has put some GT&C items in production. Orders and Invoices are currently in test environments.

Please direct all enquires to IGT@fiscal.treasury.gov

Survey questions have been sent out to the ITWG participants. Please complete the survey by 1/17/17.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2GMDV93>