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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL CFOs AND DEPUTY CFOs

FROM: Jeffrey Schramek, Assistant Commissioner *Jeffrey Schramek*
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SUBJECT: New Delinquent Debt Requirements Under the Digital Accountability and Transparency Act (DATA Act)

DATE: August 7, 2014

The Bureau of the Fiscal Service's Debt Management Services (DMS) would like to make you aware of two new requirements related to debt collection set forth in the Digital Accountability and Transparency Act (DATA Act), Pub. L. 113-101, signed into law on May 19, 2014, and ask for your assistance with its implementation.

Specifically, Section 5 of the DATA Act amends 31 U.S.C. 3716(c)(6) and now requires agencies to refer to Treasury valid, delinquent nontax debts for the purpose of administrative offset at 120 days - 60 days earlier than the previous 180-day requirement. The DATA Act also directs Treasury to report to Congress on agency compliance with the new administrative offset referral requirement. These new requirements became effective on May 19, 2014.

We recommend that your agency review its internal regulations and processes and consult with its legal counsel to determine what actions your agency will need to take to comply with the new requirements. We are evaluating options for capturing the necessary information to satisfy the new reporting requirement, including modifications to the Treasury Report on Receivables.

We would like to offer assistance as agencies work to comply with the 120-day administrative offset provision of the DATA Act and ensure that our approach to reporting on compliance with this provision is implemented in the least burdensome manner possible. To that end, we are requesting that your agency program representatives fill out our short assessment questionnaire, the results of which will help us continue to provide highly efficient and reliable delinquent debt collection support to all customer agencies.

The questionnaire can be accessed at <http://questionpro.com/t/ADfm5ZRNWg>. We are asking that agency program representatives provide responses to us by September 30, 2014. The site also has additional information on the DATA Act. If you have any questions, please contact Terrence Prince at terrence.prince@fiscal.treasury.gov; or Felipe Perdomo at felipe.perdomo@fiscal.treasury.gov.

cc: Sheryl Morrow