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Subject: CyberTax 2013-02: IRS Plans Jan. 30 Tax Season Opening for 1040 Filers

The IRS has announced that electronic filing will open on January 30, pushed back slightly from the original date of January 22. It looks like most of our taxpayers will not be affected or only affected slightly for those sites who open the last week in January. We will review with CCH whether returns can simply be held until January 30 to be transmitted. More information will be forthcoming but wanted to share the breaking news with you immediately.

The IRS will be able to accept tax returns affected by the late Alternative Minimum Tax (AMT) patch as well as the three major “extender” provisions for people claiming the state and local sales tax deduction, higher education tuition and fees deduction and educator expenses deduction. All of the forms will be available as soon as they are completed and posted at www.irs.gov. There are a series of forms which will not be completed by January 30, but they are all “out of scope” for Tax-Aide. There are no plans from IRS to extend the filing date past April 15. Please see the attached IRS press release (IR-2013-2 Tax Season Opening.pdf) for additional details.

Thank you.