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IRS Realignment of Technical Work

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An Abridged Glossary of Recent IRS-EP Terminology

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Recent New IRS Compliance Aides

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IRS Realignment of Technical Work

- Guidance for qualified plans and IRAs → shifted from TE/GE to TE/GE Counsel, specifically:
 - Revenue Rulings
 - Revenue Procedures
 - Announcements
 - Notices
 - Technical Advice
 - Information Letters
- Employee Plans retains authority to issue PLRs





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New IRS Management

- EP Exams Director: Lisa J. Beard-Niemann
- EP Rulings & Agreements Director:
 Karen Truss
 - Both come from outside of Employee Plans





IRS No Longer to Answer E-mail Questions







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- Effective October 1, 2015, IRS EP will no longer accept technical questions via:
 - e-mail
 - questions forwarded from IRS Customer Account Services
- · Due to realignment of legal work
 - EP no longer has the resources to do research and provide answers for legal topics
- PLR is an alternative
- http://www.irs.gov/Retirement-Plans/Employee-Plans-Email-Questions
- Employee Plan News newsletter, Issue 2015-9, July 31, 2015



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Abridged Glossary of IRS-EP Terminology

- N. 2015-49 Use of Lump Sum Payments to Replace <u>Lifetime Income Being Received By Retirees Under</u> <u>Defined Benefit Pension Plans</u>
 - Notice 2015-49, once you start DB RMD, no changes, except for death, retirement or plan termination
 - Ends lump-sum risk-transferring program
 - longevity payment risk and investment risk → transferred from plan sponsor to retiree taking the lump-sum distribution







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- Reducing/Suspending Safe Harbor 401(k) Mid-year
 - Final regulations to reduce or suspend the safe harbor contribution







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- 402(f) Notice, Special Tax Notice or Rollover Notice
 - A non-Roth Notice and a Roth Notice
 - Notice 2007-7, also add to the notice the fees for those leaving money after severance







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- Qualified Longevity Annuity Contract (QLAC)
 - Annuity start at 80 or 85 or beneficiary collect.







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Multiple Destinations

- Notice 2015-54: Allocating pretax and after-tax amounts among disbursements that are made to multiple destinations from a qualified plan
- Which to apply to partial direct rollover when the participant has after-tax contributions?
- Code Section 72(e)(8), or
- Code Section 402(c)(2)
- IRR potentiality
 - Caveat: 415; ACP







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 Treatment of a TDF Series as a Single Right or Feature







IRS/DOL Qualified Acronyms

QAB: Quality Assurance Bulletin

QACA: Qualified Automatic Contribution Arrangement

QDIA: Qualified Default Investment Arrangement

QDRO: Qualified Domestic Relations Order

QJSA: Qualified Joint and Survivor Annuity

QMAC: Qualified Matching Contribution

QNEC: Qualified Nonelective Contribution

QOSA: Qualified Optional Survivor Annuity

QPSA: Qualified Pre-retirement Survivor Annuity

QSLOB: Qualified Separate Line of Business

QTA: Qualified Termination Administrator



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IRS VCP Submission Kits

- New for 2015: Failure to Make Timely Required Contributions to a Money Purchase or Target Benefit Plan
- http://www.irs.gov/Retirement-Plans/VCP-Submission-Kit-Failure-to-Make-Timely-Required-Contributions-to-a-Money-Purchase-or-Target-Benefit-Plan
- Other VCP Submission Kits
 - A 403(b) missing plan document VCP Submission kit for plan sponsors who missed the December 31, 2009 document deadline. http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-tege/vcp_submission_kit_403b.pdf
 - A Missed Pre-approved DC and DB EGTRRA Restatement Kits
 - http://www.irs.gov/Retirement-Plans/Correcting-Plan-Errors---VCP-Submission-Kits







Alert Guidelines; Explanations and Plan Deficiency Paragraphs

- 1. Explanation → guidance in the law and legal citations.
- 2. Alert Guidelines (Work sheets) use to review retirement plans.
- Plan Deficiency Paragraphs (Check sheets) → pre-approved wording that satisfies Internal Revenue Code requirements.
- http://www.irs.gov/Retirement-Plans/Alert-Guidelines-Explanations-and-Plan-Deficiency-Paragraphs







17 Subject Packages
Minimum Participation Standards (Publication 6388, Form 5622, Form 6040)

Minimum Vesting Standards - Defined Contribution Plans (Publication 6389, Form 5623, Form 6041)

Minimum Vesting Standards - Defined Benefit Plans (Publication 4692, Form 5624, Form 8401)

Joint and Survivor Annuities (Publication 6391, Form 5625, Form 6042)

Miscellaneous Provisions (Publication 6392, Form 5626, Form 6043)

Coverage and Nondiscrimination Requirements - DC Plans (Publication 6393, Form 5627, Form 6045)

Coverage and Nondiscrimination Requirements - DB Plans (Publication 4965, Form 9638, Form 9640)

Limitations on Contributions and Benefits (Publication 7001, Form 8384, Form 6044)

<u>Top-Heavy Requirements</u> (Publication 7002, Form 8385, Form 8397)

Employee Leasing (Publication 7003, Form 8386, Form 8398)

Required Plan Distributions (Publication 7004, Form 8387, Form 8399)

Affiliated Service Groups (Publication 7005, Form 8388, Form 8400)

Employee and Matching Contributions (Publication 7334, Form 8799, Form 9416)

Section 401(k) Requirements (Publication 7335, Form 9002, Form 9417)

Section 401(h) (Publication 11433, Form 13069, Form 13070)

Section 436 Limitations (Publication 5139, Form 14582, Form 14583)





