

MSB Registration List

The MSB Registration List, which is updated and posted on a monthly basis, contains entities that have registered as Money Services Businesses (MSBs) pursuant to the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network's (FinCEN's) Bank Secrecy Act regulations at 31 CFR 103.41. In accordance with FinCEN Guidance (FIN-2006-G006) on Registration and De-Registration of Money Services Businesses (February 3, 2006), FinCEN will periodically omit from the List any persons who have not renewed their registrations by their renewal deadlines.

FinCEN's Guidance of February 3, 2006 encouraged MSBs to confirm or renew their registrations. FinCEN is coordinating outreach activities with the IRS Stakeholder Liaison staff who will contact those MSBs that failed to renew their registrations to determine if this was an inadvertent error or whether the MSB no longer conducts services that would require the entity to register. This outreach to MSBs, which includes mailing of the following letter <u>click here</u>, will assist FinCEN in achieving its strategic goal of educating the MSB industry concerning BSA responsibilities.

This new August 2008 List, which is current as of August 14, 2008, contains data on **37,149 registered MSBs**. This is an increase of 585 MSB registrations from the July 17, 2008 total of 36,564.

The List reflects information exactly as provided by the filers and comprises Registrants' names, "doing business as" names, addresses, MSB services provided, states in which the registrants offer MSB services, numbers of branches, and dates of authorized signature. The List is arranged alphabetically – first, by state, then, by each city within the state, and finally, by MSB Registrant name within each city.

In response to requests from financial institutions, FinCEN has made each State listing available in an Excel format that can easily be downloaded so that queries can be run using various other software applications. Dates contained in the posted MSB Registration List are formatted as mm/dd/yyyy in order to enable sorting of the List by authorization date.

This posted List is intended only as general reference for the public and should not be treated as definitive or determinative of an entity's registration status. The only determinative evidence of an entity's registration status is the acknowledgement letter from the IRS-Detroit Computing Center (DCC) received by an entity after filing its registration. A copy of the DCC acknowledgment letter, along with a facsimile of the registration form, should be maintained as a part of an MSB's records for five years.

FinCEN continues to work with DCC on data quality issues with regard to the List.

For more information on MSB registration, visit www.msb.gov.

For inquiries regarding the **MSB registration list**, call the FinCEN MSB Regulatory Helpline at 1-800-949-2732.

For inquiries regarding **MSB registration acknowledgement letters**, call the IRS-DCC Hotline at 800-800-2877.

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