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## 2008 Form W-3

If you downloaded the 2008 Form W-3 before March 8, 2008, please note the following correction.

Under When To File, the first sentence should read, "Mail any paper Forms W-2 under cover of this Form W-3 Transmittal by March 2, 2009.

This form is provided for informational purposes only. Copy A appears in red, similar to the official IRS form. Do **not** file copy A downloaded from this website with the SSA. The official printed version of this IRS form is scannable, but the online version of it, printed from this website, is not. A penalty of \$50 per information return may be imposed for filing forms that cannot be scanned.

To order official IRS forms, call 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676) or Order Information Returns and Employer Returns Online, and we'll mail you the scannable forms and other products.

You may file Forms W-2 and W-3 electronically on the SSA's website at Employer Reporting Instructions & Information. You can create fill-in versions of Forms W-2 and W-3 for filing with SSA. You may also print out copies for filing with state or local governments, distribution to your employees, and for your records.

See IRS Publications 1141, 1167, 1179 and other IRS resources for information about printing these tax forms.

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b Kind	941 Military 943	944	1     Wages, tips, other compensation     2     Federal income tax withheld
of Payer	CT-1 Hshld. Medicare emp. govt. emp.	Third-party sick pay	3 Social security wages 4 Social security tax withheld
c Total number	of Forms W-2 d Establishment	number	5 Medicare wages and tips     6 Medicare tax withheld
e Employer ider	ntification number (EIN)		7 Social security tips     8 Allocated tips
f Employer's na	ame		9 Advance EIC payments 10 Dependent care benefits
			11 Nonqualified plans         12 Deferred compensation
			13 For third-party sick pay use only
<b>g</b> Employer's ad	ddress and ZIP code	-	14 Income tax withheld by payer of third-party sick pay
h Other EIN use	ed this year		
15 State Em	ployer's state ID number		16 State wages, tips, etc.     17 State income tax
			18 Local wages, tips, etc.     19 Local income tax
Contact person			Telephone number     For Official Use Only       ( )
Email address			Fax number ( )

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return and accompanying documents, and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, and complete.

Signature >

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# 8005

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Date

#### Send this entire page with the entire Copy A page of Form(s) W-2 to the Social Security Administration.

Do not send any payment (cash, checks, money orders, etc.) with Forms W-2 and W-3.

Form W-3 Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements

#### Reminder

**Separate instructions.** See the 2008 Instructions for Forms W-2 and W-3 for information on completing this form.

### **Purpose of Form**

A Form W-3 Transmittal is completed only when paper Copy A of Form(s) W-2, Wage and Tax Statement, are being filed. Do not file Form W-3 alone. Do not file Form W-3 for Form(s) W-2 that were submitted electronically to the Social Security Administration (see below). All paper forms **must** comply with IRS standards and be machine readable. Photocopies and hand-printed forms are **not** acceptable. Use a Form W-3 even if only one paper Form W-2 is being filed. Make sure both the Form W-3 and Form(s) W-2 show the correct tax year and Employer Identification Number (EIN). Make a copy of this form and keep it with Copy D (For Employer) of Form(s) W-2 for your records.

## **Electronic Filing**

The Social Security Administration strongly suggests employers report Form W-3 and W-2 Copy A electronically instead of on paper. SSA provides two e-file options:

• Free fill-in Forms W-2 for employers who file 20 or fewer Form(s) W-2.

• Upload a file for employers who use payroll/tax software to print Form(s) W-2, if the vendor software creates a file that can be uploaded to SSA.

For more information, go to *www.socialsecurity.gov/employer* and select "First Time Filers" or "Returning Filers" under "BEFORE YOU FILE."

## When To File

Mail any paper Forms W-2 under cover of this Form W-3 Transmittal by March 2, 2009. Electronic fill-in forms or uploads are filed through SSA's Business Services Online (BSO) Internet site and will be on time if submitted by March 31, 2009.

#### Where To File Paper Forms

Send this entire page with the entire Copy A page of Form(s) W-2 to:

#### Social Security Administration Data Operations Center Wilkes-Barre, PA 18769-0001

**Note.** If you use "Certified Mail" to file, change the ZIP code to "18769-0002." If you use an IRS-approved private delivery service, add "ATTN: W-2 Process, 1150 E. Mountain Dr." to the address and change the ZIP code to "18702-7997." See Publication 15 (Circular E), Employer's Tax Guide, for a list of IRS-approved private delivery services.