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IRS' January Tax Talk Today Focuses on Filing Season

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WASHINGTON — The Internal Revenue Service's next Tax Talk Today program, "Getting Ready for Filing Season 2009 -- Individual and Business," will be Tuesday, Jan. 13, at 2 p.m. This special, 100-minute program will give tax preparers a head start on the 2009 filing season.

The extended program will discuss updates to tax forms, the latest tax law changes and IRS processing issues to assist tax preparers. Panelists will offer tips on how to avoid common errors that can cost preparers and their clients time and money. Two continuing education credits will be offered for January's program.

Panelists include: Nancy Aiello, Submission Processing Director, IRS, Andover; Susan A. Hansen, Submission Processing, IRS, Cincinnati; Virginia Tarris, IRS, Supervisory Tax Law Specialist, Tax Forms and Publications; William Woolf, IRS, Tax Law Specialist, Tax Forms and Publications; Teddy Prioleau, EA, Baltimore, Md., and Francis X. Degen, EA, owner of Francis X. Degen, EA, in Setauket, N.Y. The moderator is Les Witmer.

Tax Talk Today is a webcast aimed at educating tax and payroll professionals on the most current and complex tax issues. Tax professionals are encouraged to watch and submit questions. To access the webcast at no charge, viewers can register <u>online</u> at taxtalktoday.com.

Subscribers can view live webcasts as well as archived programs, listen to audio podcasts or read show transcripts. Subscribers also can order audio and video recordings. A transcript and audio of the Nov. 4, 2008 webcast, "Preparing for the New Form 990", is now available at Tax Talk Today's archives.

The next Tax Talk Today program, "Surviving the IRS Audit," is scheduled for Tuesday, March 10.