

## **SBA Information Notice**

**TO:** All Employees

## CONTROL NO.: 0000-2077

**SUBJECT**: Fraudulent Attempts to Obtain Small **EFFECTIVE**: 2-19-2009 Business Bank Account Information

This notice is to advise all SBA employees about fraudulent attempts to obtain small business bank account information using SBA letterhead. Reports have been made by various district offices that small businesses across the country are receiving letters on SBA letterhead offering assistance to obtain tax rebates under the recent economic stimulus legislation. The letter also asks the small businesses to fax in a response with the name of their bank and bank account number. These letters have not been sent by or authorized by SBA, and appear to be a fraudulent attempt to obtain financial information from the small businesses. All SBA district offices are asked to reach out to lenders, small businesses and others in their area, including media representatives, to let them know that businesses should not respond to these letters. The Inspector General's Office is investigating this matter and pursuing appropriate action.

Darryl K. Hairston Acting Administrator

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