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EXTENSION OF DUE DATE FOR FURNISHING STATEMENTS AND OF GOOD-FAITH TRANSITION RELIEF FOR REPORTING REQUIRED BY I.R.C. SECTIONS 6055 AND

6056 FOR 2020 IRS Notice 2020-76

How the Notice Affects Reporting Deadlines

Notice **extends** the due date for furnishing to individuals

- 2020 Form 1095-B, Health Coverage, and
- 2020 Form 1095-C, Employer-Provided Health Insurance Offer and Coverage

From January 31, 2021, to March 2, 2021

Notice **does not extend** due date for filing with the IRS TY2020 Forms

- 1094-B or 1095-B
- 1094-C or 1095-C

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How the Notice Affects the Content and Accuracy of the Reporting

This notice extends the good-faith transition relief from penalties that were granted for 2015 filings to the 2020 information-reporting requirements under sections 6055 and 6056.

NOTE: IRS has signaled that this relief will not be granted going forward.

This means Accuracy will be paramount to avoid penalty.

Notice **extends** transition relief from penalties to reporting entities that can show that they have made good-faith efforts to comply with the information-reporting requirements under sections 6055 and 6056 for 2020

- both for furnishing to individuals and for filing with the Service, to include
 - Relief from penalty for incorrect or incomplete information reported on the return or statement such as missing and inaccurate taxpayer identification numbers and dates of birth.

Notice **does not extend** relief in the case of reporting entities that do not make a good-faith effort to comply with the regulations or that fail to file an information return or furnish a statement by the due dates (as extended under the rules above).

Notice **does not extend** relief if reports were late filed.

How will the Service Determine what is a "Good Faith" Effort for 2020

In determining good faith, the Service will take into account whether an employer or other coverage provider made reasonable efforts to:

- prepare for reporting the required information to the Service and
- furnishing it to employees and other covered individuals

A strong indication of this preparation will be the gathering and transmitting the necessary data to an agent to prepare the data for submission to the Service, or testing its ability to transmit information to the Service. In addition, the Service will take into account the extent to which the employer or other coverage provider is taking steps to ensure that it will be able to comply with the reporting requirements for Tax Year 2020.

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