

### FTA Motor Fuel Tax Section

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**TO:** Uniformity Subcommittee Participants

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**SUBJECT:** Uniformity Meetings

**DATE:** May 1, 2014

The <u>September 2014</u> Motor Fuel Tax Section Uniformity Committee meeting is scheduled for Jackson, Wyoming. The Subcommittees will meet all day <u>September 26, 2014</u>. The Main Uniformity meeting is scheduled for <u>September 27, 2014</u>. (*The meetings are on Friday and Saturday*) The meeting will be at the Snow King Hotel. The special rate at the Snow King is \$117.00 plus 15% tax. Make your reservations directly with the hotel by calling (800) 522-King or (307) 733-5200. Make certain to inform the hotel that you will be attending the "Federation of Tax Administrators" meeting to receive the special rate. The address of the hotel is 400 E Snow King Avenue, Jackson Hole, Wyoming 83001. Please note that the cut-off date for the hotel reservation is **September 3, 2014**.

### PRELIMINARY AGENDA

### FTA Motor Fuel Tax Uniformity Committee Jackson, Wyoming September 26, 2014

### Friday 8:00am – 5:00pm September 26, 2014

#### **Subcommittee**

Room One Room Two

8:00am-Noon

Electronic Commerce Forms Management

(Both subcommittees are

meeting together in the morning)

1:00pm - 5:00pm

Communication & Coordination

Compliance

(Both subcommittees are

meeting together in the afternoon)

1:00pm – 5:00pm Electronic Commerce (Technical Session)

### Saturday 9:00 am to noon September 27, 2014

### **FTA Full Uniformity Committee**

- 1. Introduction
- 2. Approval of minutes
- 3. Presentations
- 4. Subcommittee Reports and Recommendation Each subcommittee will give a report of the subcommittee and any recommendations for the Full Uniformity Committee to vote on.
  - Communication & Coordination
  - Compliance
  - E-Commerce
  - Forms Management
- 5. Old Business
- 6. New Business
- 7. Next Meeting
- 8. Adjourn

1:00 pm to 5:00 pm Subcommittee will continue to meet if necessary

### FTA MOTOR FUEL UNIFORMITY COMMITTEE

### Myrtle Beach, South Carolina January 25, 2014

### **Minutes**

The FTA Motor Fuel Tax Section Uniformity Committee met at the Myrtle Beach Marriott, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Lee Gonzalez (FL) Uniformity State Chair called the meeting to order. Thirty-four (34) were in attendance. (See attached list of attendees)

### **Minutes**

The minutes of the September 2013 Uniformity Committee meeting in Fargo, North Dakota were approved.

### **Uniformity Chairs**

State Co-Chair - Lee Gonzalez - State of Florida Industry Co-Chair - Bob Donnellan - Global Companies LLC

### **Subcommittee Chairs**

Compliance Subcommittee State Co-Chair - Jeremy Neeck, Minnesota Industry Co-Chair - Rae Takai – Shell Oil

Communication and Coordination Subcommittee State Co-Chair - Christy Dixon – State of Oklahoma Industry Co-Chair - Anne Nicholson - Exxon Mobil

Electronic Commerce Subcommittee State Co-Chair - Hal Lovell – State of California Industry Co-Chair - Gene Holland – P66

Forms Management Subcommittee State Co-Chair - Cindy Mongold - State of Kansas Industry Co-Chair - Scott Louie – Chevron

### **Presentation – Natural Gas Association**

Dale Calhoun gave a presentation concerning Compressed Natural Gas and Liquefied Natural Gas. Some of the items that were included in the presentation were:

- •Who should be registered or licensed.
- •Best point of taxation-Retailer and end user when delivered through the pipeline to station and then compressed when dispensed and put into supply tanks of vehicles.
- •Report Form Design-should include total fuel dispensed to motor vehicles (retailers and end users).
- •There is currently a standard gge for CNG; however, there is no standard for LNG or LPG.
- •By 2019 expecting 3.2 million vehicles will be running on CNG.
- •By 2035 expecting half of heavy duty trucks and two-thirds of school buses will be running on CNG.
- •What recommendation for dge? No recommendation at this time, Industry is working on this right now.

### **Presentation – EDI vs XML**

Stan Whaley-State of Florida gave a presentation titled "Comparing X12 EDI to XML". Some of the items that were included in the presentation were:

- •Brief overview of X12 EDI and XML
- •Key Terminology and Definitions
- •Sample EDI and XML Formats
- Advantages and Disadvantages of each

### **Subcommittee Reports**

### The **Compliance Subcommittee**

Rae Takai (Shell Oil) reported there were twenty seven (27) in attendance. The committee discussed:

**Training Schedule Update-**Motor Fuel Basic Training was held on October 24-27, 2013 in Sacramento, California with 52 students. (26 state and 26 industry students)

**Dyed Diesel Stats-**At the time of this meeting, the dyed fuel stats were partially compiled

**IRS** Update-There was no representative from the IRS and this item will be removed on future agendas.

White Paper Document for an "Audit Checklist"-the subcommittee discussed this at length and mutually agreed not to pursue this further due to this could be considered sensitive information.

**New Business-**The committee continues to solicit project/topic suggestions for the Compliance Subcommittee to work on in 2014.

(See the minutes of this subcommittee for more details)

### The Forms Management Subcommittee

Cindy Mongold (Kansas) reported that this committee met with Electronic Commerce. There were 38 participated in the meeting (33 present & 5 called in). The subcommittee discussed the following:

**Crosswalk (FTA and STCC Codes)-** There was no new information to be reported on at this time. A concern was raised regarding STCC Codes varying between railroads on the east coast and west coast. The team will have an update at the May 2014 meeting.

**Oregon Forms Review-**The forms review team reviewed Oregon's Motor Vehicle Fuel and Aircraft Fuel License Tax Return for uniformity and found the following need to be resolved before the form will be considered uniform:

- Line 3 of the face of the return instructions; "From line 7" needs to be changed to "From line 12".
- Parenthesis on line 4, Column A should be removed.
- Instructions need to include definition of inventory, gasohol and TCN

After further discussion by the committee, once the corrections are made and the instructions are provided the forms review team will review the documents and setup a conference call to discuss conditional approval prior to the May 2014 meeting.

**Oregon Schedule Code Request-** The subcommittee reviewed and approved the following schedule codes:

- 1H Gallons Received-Originating County and City Tax Paid.
- 7E Gallons Sold for Export-Originating City and/or County Tax Paid.
- 10AC Tax Exempt Sales in City Jurisdiction.
- •10AD Tax Exempt Sales in County Jurisdiction

Ohio Schedule Code Request- The subcommittee reviewed and approved the following schedule code:

•5AD Gallons sold to licensed retailers

**Ohio Forms Review-**The forms review team reviewed Ohio's Terminal Operator Report, Transporter Report, Fuel Dealer's Report and Exporter Report for uniformity and found the following needs to be resolved before the forms will be considered uniform:

- •Remove "Location" field from the header of all forms and make it part of the TIN (Taxpayer Identification Number), which includes the FEIN.
- Schedule column title change from BOL Date & BOL Number to Document Date & Document Number.
- Instructions need to be included

After further discussion by the committee, once the corrections are made and the instructions are provided the forms review team will review the documents and setup a conference call to discuss conditional approval prior to the May 2014 meeting.

**State ExStars Update-**Kansas gave an update on tracking Exstars data.

**Uniform Motor Fuel Sales Tax Form-**The team presented their thoughts on a uniform motor fuel sales tax form which included discussion regarding leaving out an average cost per gallon, since sales tax is on total receipts there is no need for an average cost per gallon. The team will present a sample form at the meeting in May.

### **Industry Issues**

- •Arizona-turned on system edits that required the electronic filing to have an originating TCN number for pipeline receipts into the state. We have never provided that before or do we necessarily know the original terminal. This prevented the file to be submitted. Resolved the issue with the state and they have lifted those edit requirements.
- •California- the Department of Fish and Game is pushing to expand the Oil Spill Prevention fee to incorporate overland receipts into CA refineries. The draft language of the bill was poorly written and would cause a number of administrative issues. First, over the water receipts could have a different point of taxation from the overland receipts into the refineries. Also, the language states that this fee will be borne by the consumer of fuel. Currently the state does not allow the oil spill fee to be line itemed on invoices to the

consumer. Will there be separate treatment for the two? Lots of issues that will be forthcoming.

•Industry is monitoring Federal proposal to double the motor fuel tax. Suppliers would see a doubling of their IRS remittances and consumers would see an instant \$0.18 - \$0.19 per gallon increase.

### (See the minutes of this subcommittee for more details)

### **Approved by the Full Committee**

### • Subschedule Codes:

- •1H Gallons Received-Originating County and City Tax Paid.
- •5AD Gallons sold to licensed retailers
- •7E Gallons Sold for Export-Originating City and/or County Tax Paid.
- •10AC Tax Exempt Sales in City Jurisdiction.
- •10AD Tax Exempt Sales in County Jurisdiction

### The Electronic Commerce Subcommittee

Hal Lovell (CA) reported there were ten (10) in attendance. The subcommittee discussed the following:

**Definition for "Electronic Filing"-**The group came up with some preliminary language. A handout version will be presented at the next meeting in May so that the Uniformity Committee can discuss the definition.

**Georgia Implementation Guide-**a conference call was held in July and the IRS lead person wanted to get some input from the FTA. The project is in the infant stages and the IRS is on a fact finding stage for this project. The committee will follow up with the IRS and report at the next meeting in January.

Creation of Form on Obtaining FTA Approval for Efile System –The committee continued to work on a simple handout that will summarize the steps that a state should follow to get FTA's approval for their Efile systems (forms, Efile Guide, XML schema, etc).

**XML Guide for the State of Georgia** –The committee approved the State of Georgia's EDI Implementation Guide.

(See the minutes of this subcommittee for more details)

### **Approved by the Full Committee**

### • Georgia's EDI Implementation Guide

### The Communication and Coordination Subcommittee

Christy Dixon (OK) reported that twenty-seven (27) were in attendance.

The subcommittee discussed the following and the January, 2014 *Uniformer* was distributed.

**2014 Taxation, Diversion and Alternative Fuels Booklet-** the subcommittee discussed, adding and approved the following:

Section 12 – Please list what blendstocks are taxable or reportable in your state.

Blendstock	Tax Rate	Reportable

**Definitions-** the subcommittee has been asked to do a definition for Fuel Grade Ethanol. The subcommittee will work on the definition next meeting once they have complied various definitions from States to review.

**ExSTARS Example Letter to Terminals Regarding Confidentiality** – the approved letter from the IRS was reviewed for States to use.

**Buy/Sell Agreements and Flash Title Agreements** – a draft document was discussed and after much discussion, the working group is going to put some scenarios together that shows what reporting problems are caused with the Buy/Sell Agreements and Flash Title Agreements for the next meeting in May.

White Paper Document on "Inventory Gains and Losses" – the draft document was discussed and revisions need to be made. A revised document will be presented at the next meeting in May.

### **Open Discussions**

None

(See the minutes of this subcommittee for more details)

### **Approved by the Full Committee**

### • Revision to the 2014 Taxation, Diversion and Alternative Fuels Booklet

### **Canadian Update**

Rick Calloway reported that the Canadian project meets once a year now. The following is what the Fuel Tax Council is currently working on:

- •Completing a paper on taxation of natural gas-including recommendations for point of taxation (utility companies or third party providers), conversion factors, shrinkage allowances, reporting requirements, registration requirements and lessons learned.
- •Completing the first systems audit binders
- Improving the exchange of information between governments on the movement of fuel
- •Improving transactional detail reporting
- Addressing training issues
- •Improving website
- •Conducting a licensing review

•Improving/updating the generic tax return and fuel tax guide.

For training, they have combined their Basic and Audit courses to provide them electronically on a pilot basis in February.

### **New Business**

A thank you letter from the Canadian Fuel Tax Council was received thanking Jeremy Neeck and Bob Donnellan for recognizing them with the Uniformity Recognition Award.

Announcement was made that at the next meeting in May, on Saturday we will be touring an Ethanol Plant.

### **Next Meeting**

The next Uniformity Committee meeting is scheduled for May 2 and 3, 2014 in Portland, Oregon.

The meeting was adjourned.

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# COMMUNICATION & COORDINATION SUBCOMMITTEE TENTATIVE AGENDA – FRIDAY, MAY 2, 2014 PORTLAND, OREGON

- 1. WELCOME
- 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 24, 2014 MEETING.
- 3. DISTRIBUTE THE LATEST EDITION OF THE UNIFORMER CINDY ANDERS-ROBB, FEDERATION OF TAX ADMINISTRATORS
- 4. TAXATION, DIVERSION, ALTERNATIVE FUELS BOOKLET-DISCUSS ANY REVISIONS FOR THE 2014 TAXATION. DIVERSION, ALTERNATIVE FUELS BOOKLET. DISCUSS MAYBE ADDING A SECTION ON HOW STATES HANDLE CONTAMINATED FUEL.
- 5. DISCUSS DRAFT OF DEFINITIONS, MODEL LEGISLATION, ETC FOR BUY/SELL AGREEMENTS (FLASH TITLE) AND RENEWABLE FUELS ALONG WITH DIAGRAMS-ANNE NICHOLSON-EXXONMOBIL.
- 6. DISCUSS THE DEFINITION FOR "FUEL GRADE ETHANOL".
- 7. DISCUSS THE WHITE PAPER DOCUMENT TO BE COMPLETED FOR INVENTORY GAINS AND LOSSES. WILDA ICE, WEST VIRGINIA.
- 8. DISCUSS THE TAXATION OF BUTANE
- 9. OLD BUSINESS
- 10. NEW BUSINESS
- 11. NEXT MEETING: SEPTEMBER 26, 2014, JACKSON, WYOMING.

# FTA MOTOR FUEL UNIFORMITY COMMITTEE COMMUNICATION & COORDINATION SUBCOMMITTEE MYRTLE BEACH, SOUTH CAROLINA JANUARY 24, 2014

### **MINUTES**

The Communication & Coordination Subcommittee met on Friday, January 24, 2014. State Co-Chair Christy Dixon and Industry Co-Chair, Anne Nicholson conducted the meeting. The meeting was called to order at approximately 1:00 PM. There were 26 attendees present and 1 attendee by phone.

The minutes from the September 20, 2013 meeting were approved by the subcommittee.

The latest edition of the Uniformer (January 24, 2014 copy) was distributed.

**2014 Taxation, Diversion and Alternative Fuels Booklet-** the subcommittee discussed, added and approved the following:

Section 12 Please list what blendstocks are taxable or reportable in your state.

Blendstock	Tax Rate	Reportable

**Definitions**-the subcommittee has been asked to do a definition for Fuel Grade Ethanol. Asked the committee members to submit their states definition to Christy Dixon. Will compile all of the definitions and the subcommittee will work on the definition at the next meeting in May, 2014.

**Buy/Sell Agreements and Flash Title Agreements-**a draft document was discussed; and after much discussion, the working group is going to put some senarios together that shows what reporting problems are caused with the Buy/Sell Agreements and Flash Title Agreements for the next meeting in May.

The following is a list of the working group for this project:

Scott Louie, Chevron
Carol Player, South Carolina
Ann Nicholson, ExxonMobil
Bob Donnellan, Global Companies, LLC
Ashley Scheele, Deloitte Tax
Rich Little, Deloitte Tax
Bill Gray, Sinclair Oil

White Paper Document concerning "Inventory Gains and Losses"-this is being worked on by Wilda Ice-State of West Virginia, Marcia Leichner-State of Nebraska, Lee Gonzales-State of Florida, Bill Gray-Sinclair Oil and John Penacho-Sprague Operating

Resources LLC. A draft of the document was discussed at the meeting; however, the version that was presented to the committee was not the correct version. The correct version will be presented to the committee at the May meeting.

**ExSTARS Example Letter to Terminals Regarding Confidentiality**-Edie Martin, State of Kansas handed out the IRS approved letter that states can use with their licensees.

The next meeting will be on Friday, May 2, 2014, Portland, Oregon.

Christy Dixon, State Co-Chair, State of Oklahoma Anne Nicholson, Industry Co-Chair, ExxonMobil

# FTA Motor Fuel Uniformity Committee Compliance Sub-Committee Myrtle Beach, SC 24 January 2014

#### **Minutes**

The Compliance Sub-Committee met Friday, 24 January 2014. The State Co-Chair seat is vacant, therefore; Industry Co-Chair, Rae Takai, Shell Oil Products US conducted the meeting. There were 26 in-person attendees, with an additional 1 via telecon, for a total 27.

Minutes from the Fargo, ND meeting, 20 September 2013 was approved as presented.

#### Training Schedule

- The Basic Training class was held 20 24 October 2013 in Sacramento, CA. We had 52, 26 state and 26 industry, students in attendance. Thank you to Chevron for hosting a tour of their Sacramento terminal.
- The 2014 training dates to be determined and communicated once known

#### **Dyed Fuel Stats**

 At the time of this meeting, the dyed fuels stats were partially complete. If interested, this information is available via Cindy Anders-Robb

### IRS Update

- No IRS representation
- We do not expect future IRS representation, therefore; this item will be removed on future agendas

#### **Old Business**

 Compliance Tool Documentation – Keep on an 'as-needed' basis, nothing to report during this meeting

#### **New Business**

- We had an engaging discussion about a high level audit checklist for inclusion within the Compliance Tools documentation. We concluded this discussion with agreement this could be considered sensitive information and mutually agreed not to pursue further.
- Solicited projects for 2014

### Next Meeting

■ Portland, OR, 2 – 3 May 2014

Rae Takai – Industry Co-Chair, Shell Oil Products US

### Forms Sub-Committee Agenda 05/02/2014 Portland, Oregon

>	Introductions	Cindy Mongold
>	Review Minutes of January 2014 meeting	Cindy Mongold
>	Old Business	
	<ol> <li>Crosswalk (FTA and STCC Codes)</li> <li>Oregon Forms Review         <ul> <li>Review changes to Motor Vehicl</li> <li>and Aircraft Fuel License Tax Return</li> </ul> </li> <li>Uniform Motor Fuel Sales Tax Form</li> </ol>	
	4. Ohio Forms Review a. Continued	Tracy Lenius
>	New Business	
	<ol> <li>Industry Issues</li> <li>State ExSTARS Update</li> </ol>	Scott Louie Edie Martin

3. Carrier Report Schedule (Page 82) (Gross & Net Gallons Columns)

4. Oregon Carrier Report
& Terminal Report

**Cindy Mongold** 

**Tracy Lenius** 

### > Recap and Adjournment

# FTA Forms Sub-Committee Minutes January 24, 2014 Myrtle Beach, SC

### Introductions

38 participated in the meeting (33 present & 5 called in)

### **Review Minutes of September 2013 meeting**

Minutes from the September 2013 meeting in Fargo, ND were reviewed and approved.

### > Old Business

### 1. Crosswalk (FTA and STCC Codes)

Michael Grammer was not able to attend and did not have anything to report at this time. A concern was raised regarding STCC Codes varying between railroads on the east coast and west coast. An additional railroad contact is to be provided to Michael. The team will have an update at the May 2014 meeting.

### 2. Oregon Schedule Code Requests

Committee reviewed requests for 4 new schedule codes. Following the discussion 4 schedule codes were issued and approved.

- 1H Gallons Received Originating county and city tax paid
- 7E Gallons sold for export Originating city and/or county tax paid
- 10AC Tax exempt sales in city jurisdiction
- 10AD Tax exempt sales in county jurisdiction

### 3. Oregon Forms Review

Tracy Lenius presented the review teams findings via phone for the;

- Motor Vehicle Fuel and Aircraft Fuel License Tax Return
- Dealer Schedule of Receipts
- Dealer Schedule of Disbursements
- City and County Summary Schedule

The following items need to be changed and instructions need to be included.

- Line 3 of the face of the return instructions; "From line 7" needs to be changed to "From line 12".
- Parens on line 4, Column A should be removed
- Instructions need to include definition of inventory, gasohol and TCN.

Once the corrections are made and the instructions are provided the forms review team will review the documents and setup a conference call to discuss conditional approval prior to the May 2014 meeting.

### 4. Uniform Motor Fuel Sales Tax Form

A team consisting of David Hernandez, Bob Donnellan, Jessica McInerny and Tammy West presented their thoughts on a uniform motor fuel sales tax form which included discussion regarding leaving out an average cost per gallon, since sales tax is on total receipts there is no need for an average cost per gallon. The team will present a sample form at the meeting in May.

### > New Business

### 1. Ohio Schedule Code Request

Committee reviewed request for 1 new schedule code. Following the discussion a new schedule code was issued and approved by the committee.

5AD Gallons sold to licensed retailers

#### 2. Ohio Forms Review

Tracy Lenius presented the review teams findings via phone for the;

- Ohio Terminal Operator Return
- Terminal Operator Inventory Schedule Detail
- Terminal Operator Schedule Detail Receipt
- Terminal Operator Schedule Detail Disbursement
- Transporter Return
- Transporter Schedule Detail
- Fuel Dealer's Tax Return
- Inventory Schedule Detail 15C
- Dealer and Exporter Schedule Detail Receipt
- Dealer and Exporter Schedule Detail Disbursement
- Exporter Return

The following items need to be changed and instructions need to be included.

- Remove "Location" field from the header of all forms and make it part of the TIN (Taxpayer Identification Number), which includes the FEIN.
- Schedule column title change from BOL Date & BOL Number to Document Date & Document Number

Once the corrections are made and the instructions are provided the forms review team will review the documents and setup a conference call to discuss conditional approval prior to the May 2014 meeting.

### 3. Industry Issues

Scott Louie provided the industry issues;

• The state of Arizona turned on system edits that required the electronic filing to have an originating TCN number for pipeline receipts into the state. We have never provided that before nor do we necessarily know the original terminal. This

prevented the file to be submitted. Resolved the issue with the state and they have lifted those edit requirements.

- In California, the Department of Fish and Game is pushing to expand the Oil Spill Prevention fee to incorporate overland receipts into CA refineries. The draft language of the bill was poorly written and would cause a number of administrative issues. First, over the water receipts could have a different point of taxation from the overland receipts into the refineries. Also, the language states that this fee will be borne by the consumer of fuel. Currently the state does not allow the oil spill fee to be line itemed on invoices to the consumer. Will there be separate treatment for the two? Lots of issues that will be forthcoming.
- Industry is monitoring Federal proposal to double the motor fuel tax. Suppliers would see a doubling of their IRS remittances and consumers would see an instant \$0.18 \$0.19 per gallon increase.

### 4. State ExSTARS Update

Edie Martin provided and ExSTARS update tracking trends in filing 813 vs. 826 data. Not much change. Determined that when the state had been receiving 813 and filings changed to 826, LOA Consent Form 8821 had expired and industry needs to update it every 3 years.

### 5. EC Survey

Edie Martin and Hal Lovell presented the 2014 EC Survey maps.

Meeting was adjourned Next meeting is May 2 & 3, 2014 in Portland, OR

Cindy Mongold State Co-Chair Scott Louie Industry Co-Chair



### **E-Commerce Meeting Agenda**

Type of Meeting	FTA – E-Commerce
Date	January 24, 2014
Venue	Myrtle Beach, South Carolina
Start Time	1:00 pm

Agenda:

No.	Topic(s)
1	Review the minutes from September 2013 (Fargo, North Dakota) meeting and finalize the summary notes from that meeting.
2	Submit for discussion and approval the State of Georgia Implementation guide and XML schema request. The XML team has reviewed and provided a "tentative" approval of the update and schema pending our formal vote.
3	How to better communicate the FTA E-Commerce role in reviewing and approving a States E-file program. How to explain to States their responsibilities in requesting FTA approval for an e-file system (EDI/XML)? Seems like we could improve our Outreach in this area. Discussion points – E-file guide Pages 4 and 169 discuss how to get the E-guide and XML schema for the states approved in our 2013 E-file Guide. Is this enough material for this procedure?
4	New Topics

### **Meeting Minutes:**

No.	Discussion item	Meeting Minutes			
1.	Introduction	Total attendees – 10 in person (no one attended by phone) Industry 1 Misc (Vendors, etc.) 2 States and FTA staff 7			
2.	Minutes	We discussed/reviewed minutes from the September 20, 2013 meeting in Fargo, North Dakota. No changes were recommended. Minutes from Sept 2013 meeting were approved by E-Commerce committee.			
3.	Reviewed the State of Georgia's Implementation Guide	Completed – Submit for discussion and approval the State of Georgia Implementation guide and XML schema request. The XML team has reviewed and provided a "tentative" approval of the update and schema pending our formal vote. The E-Commerce group reviewed and approved the submitted guide and XML schema.			







No.	Discussion item	Meeting Minutes
4.	Create a simple handout form on obtaining FTA approval for E-file system	On-going – Group continued to work on a simple handout that will summarize the steps that a state should take to get FTA approval for their E-file systems (Forms, E-File Guide, XML schema, etc.)
	New item	New – Group worked on a definition for "electronic filing". Working group came up with some preliminary language that we felt could be reviewed by the "full" uniformity group at our next FTA meeting.

### **Action Items:**

No.	<b>Discussion Item</b>	Resource	Action Required	Status (NS, IP, Done)
1	IRS move to XML	IRS work group	Continue to provide support to IRS in their review of the pros and cons of moving to XML from the IRS 4030 X12 map for ExSTARS reporting.	IP
2	Work on handout on how to submit E-file work to FTA	XML Work Group	Work on a handout to simplify the process of gaining FTA approval for a state E-file project	IP