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DATE: January 26, 2024 PAYROLL LETTER #24-001

TO: All Agencies/Campuses in the Uniform State Payroll System

FROM: Lisa Dean, Acting Chief

Personnel and Payroll Services Division

RE: REVISED – DISTRIBUTION AND BILLING OF 2023 FORM W-2 WAGE AND TAX STATEMENT

DISTRIBUTION OF 2023 FORM W-2 WAGE AND TAX STATEMENT

The State Controller's Office (SCO) will mail the 2023 Form W-2, Wage and Tax Statement to employees who chose not to receive their Form W-2 by electronic delivery by January 31, 2024.

2023 FORM W-2 NEW PAPER/ENVELOPE FORMAT

The SCO has modernized its Disbursements Print and Mail Operations with the standardization of the paper materials used to print and mail state payments and documents. It has transitioned printing from pressured sealed paper to standard 8 ½ by 11 inch paper inserted into a standard envelope. Employees who chose to receive a paper Form W-2 should be aware it will arrive in this new paper/envelope format.

VIEWDIRECT – CIVIL SERVICE

CAMPUS INFORMATION RETRIEVAL SYSTEM (CIRS) PROGRAM – CSU

- 1. A report will be available on ViewDirect no later than February 2, 2024, to assist agencies and campuses in responding to questions from employees on mailed Form W-2s. This report identifies the employee mailing address as printed on Form W-2 or if the employee opted for electronic delivery.
- 2. Agencies can access ViewDirect Report ID: PDC9820, Report Name "2023 W-2 to Be Mailed." Campuses can access CIRS Program PDC0101 CSU (compendium report code number D92, cycle date 24-01). Refer to the ViewDirect Manual [ViewDirect and Mobius View (ca.gov)] for access procedures.
- 3. The report provides the following information in agency code order:
 - Social Security Number
 - Employee name
 - Employee mailing address

UNDELIVERABLE FORM W-2

The SCO will receive all undeliverable Form W-2s. Undeliverable Form W-2s will be forwarded to the appropriate agency/campus pre-printed above the employee's mailing address on the Form W-2.

Please update invalid address records when distributing undeliverable Form W-2s to your employees. This will prevent the problem from happening in the future. If the address records need an update, each employee's Personnel/Payroll Office must attach an Employee Action Request (<u>Form STD. 686</u>) or CSU Student Payroll Action Request (<u>Form STD. 457</u>) with a request for the employee to complete the form to update the invalid address.

BILLING FOR MAILING OF THE 2023 FORM W-2

The cost of this service is \$0.71 per Form W-2 to defray postage/processing costs. The fee is subject to increase when the postage rate is released in January 2024. SCO will send an invoice to your office in spring of 2024.

For more information about the Form W-2, visit the SCO website for *Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) Regarding Form W-2- Wage and Tax Statement* at <u>California State Controller's Office: Personnel & Payroll Services.</u>

Please direct employees to this web page if they have any questions or need information on the contents of their Form W-2.

Please note: Form W-2's are mailed to the employee's home address on file; if they did not receive their Form W-2, they can view an electronic version on <u>Cal Employee Connect</u> under the W-2 tab. Only those employees who have opted into W-2 Paperless can download and print their Form W-2. If requesting a paper duplicate, SCO will waive the fee for providing a duplicate Form W-2 if the request is received by March 8, 2024. (Employees who selected to receive an electronic Form W-2 are not eligible for the fee waiver). To apply for a fee waiver, the employee's Personnel/Payroll Office must complete the fee waiver request Form STD. 436. This form should show that the employee did not receive his or her 2023 Form W-2 and that they verified the correct mailing address from ViewDirect or the CIRS report.

Please direct questions regarding this Payroll Letter to the Statewide Tax Support Program via email at PPSDSTSP@sco.ca.gov.

Contacts:

- Affordable Care Act (ACA) Email <u>ACASupport@sco.ca.gov</u>
- Cal Employee Connect (CEC) Help and Feedback
- ConnectHR Help and Feedback
- California Leave Accounting System (CLAS) Email CLAS@sco.ca.gov
- CS Escalation Email (HR Supervisors and Managers) PPSDOps@sco.ca.gov
- Inquiry Email (HR Supervisors and Managers) PPSDCSUInquiry@sco.ca.gov
- Decentralized Security Administration (DSA) & ViewDirect Access (916) 619-7234 or DSA@sco.ca.gov
- HR Suggestions Email (All HR Staff) PPSDHRSuggestions@sco.ca.gov
- Management Information Retrieval System (MIRS) Email PPSDMIRS@sco.ca.gov
- Campus Information Retrieval System CIRS@calstate.edu
- <u>Statewide Customer Contact Center</u> (916) 372-7200

SCO Key Initiatives:

- Cal Employee Connect
- California State Payroll System Project

Websites:

- <u>HR</u>
- State Employees

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