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To: TCC Leadership and Solicitor:

As you are aware, the Federal US Treasury (the IRS) and the PA Department of Revenue extended the 2020 Tax Year Annual Filing Deadline from April 15, 2021 to May 17, 2021 due to ongoing issues related to the COVID 19 pandemic. Nonetheless, the PA local income tax deadline (Act 32) was left unchanged by the Commonwealth of PA.

Keystone has met with numerous PA State officials toward resolution of this conflict, to authorize concurrently moving the local EIT filing deadline to match the Federal and State deadlines. All officials recognize that no Act 32 Tax Collector can unilaterally modify deadlines. Rather, because tax revenues and employer withholding data must necessarily cross municipal and county borders, the Act 32 system depends upon consistent filing dates across the Commonwealth.


Late yesterday, the DCED released a letter to all municipal officials urging them to “explore alternatives to waive interest and/or penalties for local tax filing and payments that are made on or before May 17, 2021.”

The PA House passed HB 766, which will officially change the deadline, but it is likely that the Senate will not be able to approve the new deadline until it returns to session on April 19.


In the meantime, Keystone requests the TCC leadership intermittently authorize the waiver of penalty and interest related to the 2020 Annual Local EIT Return, so long as the tax return is filed on or before May 17, 2021, consistent with the State and Federal tax return deadlines.

Please indicate your consent below to so authorize this interim waiver as recommended by the DCED. Thank you.

Very truly yours,  
KEYSTONE COLLECTIONS GROUP

By:   
Joseph W. Lazzaro  
Vice President & General Counsel

CONSENTED AND SO AUTHORIZED on behalf of the ALLEGHENY NORTH TAX Collection Comm, He  
ALLEGHENY County TCC by

 (Officer signature) CHAIRMAN (title) ANTCL

c: TCC Solicitor