RENEWAL COMPUTER MATCHING AGREEMENT

BETWEEN THE

DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

AND THE

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
VETERANS BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION

FOR THE

DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO
FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL AGENCIES

Under the applicable provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974, amended by the Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act of 1988, 5 U.S.C. § 552a(o)(2), a computer matching agreement will remain in effect for a period not to exceed 18 months. Within 3 months prior to the expiration of such computer matching agreement, however, the Data Integrity Board (DIB) may, without additional review, renew the computer matching agreement for a current, ongoing matching program for a period not to exceed 12 additional months if:

1. such program will be conducted without any changes; and

2. each party to the agreement certifies to the DIB in writing that the program has been conducted in compliance with the agreement.

The parties to this agreement hereby certify that the following match meets the conditions for renewal:

I. TITLE OF MATCH:

Disclosure of Information to Federal, State and Local Agencies Program – Computer Matching Agreement

II. PARTIES TO THE MATCH:

Recipient Agency: Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)
Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA)

Source Agency: Department of Treasury
Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

III. PURPOSE OF THE AGREEMENT:
This agreement set forth the terms, conditions and safeguards under which the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) agrees under the authority of 26 U.S.C § 6103(1)(7) to disclose to the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), certain return information needed to determine eligibility for and amount of benefits for needs-based pension under chapter 15 of title 38, United States Code, and parents’ dependency and indemnity compensation under section 1315 of title 38, United States Code.

IV. ORIGINAL EFFECTIVE AND EXPIRATION DATES OF THE MATCH:

Effective Date: July 1, 2018
Expiration Date: December 31, 2019

V. RENEWAL AND NEW EXPIRATION DATES:

Renewal Date: January 1, 2020
New Expiration Date: December 31, 2020

VI. CHANGES:

By this renewal, VBA and IRS make the following non-substantive changes to the computer matching agreement:

1. In XIII "PERSONS TO CONTACT," delete in its entirety and replace with the following:

   Agencies must promptly provide any change of the information pertaining to any contact, in writing, to the contacts of the other agency.

XIII. Persons to Contact

A. The IRS contacts are:

   1. Project Coordinator

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      Governmental Liaison, Disclosure and Safeguards
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B. The VA/VBA contacts are:

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3. Technical Business Requirements and Testing Issues

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   Email: Wakita.Thompson@va.gov
II. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY/INTERNAL REVENUE

SIGNATURES: Source Agency Certification:

Electronic Signature Acknowledgement: The signatories may sign this document electronically. Each signatory electronically signing this document agrees that his/her electronic signature has the same legal validity and effect as his/her handwritten signature on the document, and that it has the same meaning as his/her handwritten signature.

As the authorized representative of the source agency named above, I certify that: (1) the subject matching program was conducted in compliance with the existing computer matching agreement between the parties; and (2) the subject matching program will continue without any change for an additional 12 months, subject to the approval of the respective Data Integrity Boards of the parties.

Phyllis T. Grimes  
Director, Governmental Liaison, Disclosure and Safeguards  
Internal Revenue Service  

Date ____________________________

Data Integrity Board Certification:

As Chair of the Treasury Data Integrity Board of the source agency named above, I certify that: (1) the subject matching program was conducted in compliance with the existing computer matching agreement between the parties; and (2) the subject matching program will continue without any change for an additional 12 months.

Ryan Law  
Chairperson, Treasury Data Integrity Board  
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Privacy, Transparency, and Records  

Date ____________________________
II. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS / VETERANS BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION

SIGNATURES: Recipient Agency Certification:

Electronic Signature Acknowledgement: The signatories may sign this document electronically. Each signatory electronically signing this document agrees that his/her electronic signature has the same legal validity and effect as his/her handwritten signature on the document, and that it has the same meaning as his/her handwritten signature.

As the authorized representative of the recipient agency named above, I certify that: (1) the subject matching program was conducted in compliance with the existing computer matching agreement between the parties; and (2) the subject matching program will continue without any change for an additional 12 months, subject to the approval of the respective Data Integrity Boards of the parties.

Ronald S. Burke, Jr.
Executive Director
Pension and Fiduciary Service

Date 9-30-19

Data Integrity Board Certification:

As Chair of the Data Integrity Board of the recipient agency named above, I certify that: (1) the subject matching program was conducted in compliance with the existing computer matching agreement between the parties; and (2) the subject matching program will continue without any change for an additional 12 months.

James P. Gfrerer
Chairperson, Data Integrity Board
Department of Veterans Affairs

Date 11/20/2019