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ACCOUNTING BULLETIN

TO: Fiscal Officers of All State Agencies

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SUBJECT: Pre-Filing of FY2014 Contracts/Grants and Unique Contract/Grant Numbers

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The Office of the Comptroller (IOC) will begin accepting the pre-filing of FY2014 contracts/grants beginning May 1, 2013. Agencies with contracts/grants that must be filed prior to May 1, 2013 to comply with the 30 day filing rule should send them to the IOC, Attn: Ellen Curtin, 325 West Adams, Springfield, IL 62704. All FY2014 contracts/grants that are received prior to July 1, 2013 will receive priority processing once the FY2014 budget has been established in SAMS.

Pre-filing procedures for agencies that participate in the on-line entry program can be obtained by contacting your IOC Accounting Specialist.

FY2014 contracts/grants and the associated Contract Obligation Document forms (C-23) must be stamped or otherwise marked as "FY14" or "FY2014" in the upper right-hand corner of the document.

Unique Contract/Grant Numbers – Pursuant to Accounting Bulletin 178, agencies must use a unique number for every contract/grant established with the IOC. Agencies cannot reuse the same number when establishing a new contract/grant. However, agencies **must** use the same number for the entire life of a multiple year contract/grant.

The IOC will implement a new edit in SAMS that prevents the reuse of any number on a new contract/grant with a starting date in FY14.

Imaging Contracts/Grants – The IOC is now imaging all contracts/grants as they are approved. Once the document is imaged, the IOC will no longer maintain the hard copy.

Agencies should send a **copy** of the contract, use only letter size paper, remove any staples, and use one paper or binder clip for the entire contract/grant if practical. Agencies should verify that all pages to the contract/grant are legible.

File Only Contracts - All contract liabilities subject to the filing requirements of the Illinois Procurement Code (30 ILCS 500) must be filed with the IOC. These requirements are not limited to contract liabilities incurred against State appropriations. State agencies must file all contract liabilities including, but not limited to, contract liabilities incurred against locally held and imprest funds. This also applies to the filing of all modifications to any contract whether the modification is of a fiscal or a non-fiscal nature.

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