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## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

### DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

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SUBJECT: FINANCIAL/PAYROLL YEAR-END GUIDELINES FISCAL YEAR 2015		
ATTENTION: DIRECTORS OF ADMINISTRATION, FISCAL OFFICERS, AND PAYROLL OFFICERS		
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This circular contains important year-end information and cutoff dates for the New Jersey Comprehensive Financial System (NJCFIS) and Centralized Payroll System. Refer to the Purchase Bureau's fiscal year 2015 cutoff date memorandum for Purchase Bureau year-end information and to the Capital Assets year-end Circular 15-10-OMB for capital asset reporting requirements.

Note: OMB may be reserving fiscal year 2016 balances in OMB-defined accounts prior to NJCFIS opening for activity, pending receipt of performance measure information.

#### I. PAYROLL INFORMATION

Starting with the regular bi-weekly pay period 15 (June 27, 2015 through July 10, 2015) and supplemental payrolls applicable to fiscal year 2015 - 2016, the following procedures are in effect:

##### A. Number of Working Days

1. The number of working days in fiscal year 2015 for twelve-month employees is 261. The number of working days in fiscal year 2016 will be 262. The bi-weekly gross calculations for twelve-month employees for the new fiscal year will change on pay period 15, 2015.
2. The number of working days in fiscal year 2015 for employees paid under compensation code three (ten-month payment) is 217. The number of working days in fiscal year 2016 will be 218. The bi-weekly gross calculations will change on pay period 19, 2015 for the new fiscal year.

##### B. Overlap Pay Period

Pay period 15, 2015 (June 27, 2015 through July 10, 2015) affects two fiscal years. The OMB Payroll Section will make the necessary computations with regard to the split and will furnish a separate advice of charge for each fiscal year. The split for a 10-day pay will be two days charged to fiscal year 2015 and eight days charged to fiscal year 2016.

##### C. Overtime Payments

1. Overtime payments paid on regular pay period 14 will be charged to fiscal year 2015.
2. Overtime payments paid on regular pay period 15 will be charged to fiscal year 2016.

#### D. Food and Other Maintenance

It shall be the responsibility of the agency payroll officer to change any food and other maintenance deductions on pay period 15, (June 27, 2015 through July 10, 2015), to reflect any revised maintenance amounts that are in effect for fiscal year 2016. Requests for mass changes of food maintenance amounts should be sent to:

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Office of Management and Budget  
P.O. Box 207  
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0207  
[ANNE.DUNGEE@treas.nj.gov](mailto:ANNE.DUNGEE@treas.nj.gov)

#### E. Salary Rates

Tables of bi-weekly salary, daily, hourly, and overtime rates, based on 218 and 262 working days for fiscal year 2016 are available from the Civil Service Commission.

#### F. Supplemental Payrolls

**Note: Supplemental Pay Period "O" 2015 will accommodate both fiscal years.**

1. The supplemental pay period "N" will only be charged to fiscal year 2015.
2. The supplemental pay period "O" will accommodate both fiscal years. However, a single supplemental payroll submission cannot be used to reflect charges to more than one fiscal year. Supplemental payroll charges for pay earned through June 30, 2015 shall be submitted on one payroll marked "fiscal year 2015" and charges for pay earned on or after July 1, 2015 shall be submitted on a separate payroll marked "fiscal year 2016."
3. Supplemental payroll charges for pay earned through June 30, 2015 must be marked "fiscal year 2015" and be received in the OMB Payroll section no later than noon, Friday, July 17, 2015 for payment on supplemental pay period "O" 2015, in order to be charged to fiscal year 2015 appropriation accounts. Deficits created because of this action are the department's responsibility.
4. Supplemental payroll charges for pay earned on or after July 1, 2015 must be marked "fiscal year 2016" and be submitted for payment on supplemental pay period "O" 2015 and charged to fiscal year 2016. These Supplemental Payrolls are due no later than noon, Friday, July 17, 2015.
5. Supplemental payrolls for retroactive payments, sick leave injury, or accrued vacation after retirement or separation cannot be submitted for payment against position numbers that have been abolished in the new fiscal year. These supplemental payrolls must be submitted for supplemental pay period "N" marked "fiscal year 2015," and are due no later than noon, Thursday, July 2, 2015.

## II. NEW JERSEY COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL SYSTEM (NJCFIS)

**Note: Continuing Appropriations-The references below to cutoff dates and pre-encumbrance cancellations do not pertain to continuing appropriations (appropriation type "02").**

## A. Critical Dates

## 1. Year-end Cutoff Dates

The cutoff dates for fiscal year 2015 transactions that may require approval by OMB or the Office of Legislative Services (OLS) are listed below:

<u>TRANSACTION CODE</u>	<u>CUTOFF DATE</u>
TA (OLS approval)	July 3, 2015
AP	July 13, 2015
RB	July 13, 2015
TA	July 13, 2015

## 2. NJCFS Key Dates

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| April 06, 2015<br>to<br>April 10, 2015 | a) Fiscal year 2016 original appropriations are established in NJCFS.<br>b) EXPB records will be created with zero balances in fiscal year 2016 for all records that have a balance in fiscal year 2015 and a corresponding fiscal year 2016 appropriation record. A balance is considered a pre-encumbrance, encumbrance, or expenditure.   |
| April 07, 2015<br>to<br>April 30, 2015 | a) REVB records will be created in fiscal year 2016.<br>b) Fiscal year 2016 OMB-defined accounts may be placed in reserve, pending receipt of performance measure information.   |
| May 15, 2015<br>to<br>June 15, 2015    | a) NJCFS is opened for limited fiscal year 2016 activity based on the original appropriations, exclusive of expenditures or revenue.   |
| April 13, 2015<br>to<br>April 30, 2015 | a) Estimated receipt amounts are established on appropriation and revenue budget records for appropriation sources 3XX and 4XX.  |
| June 30, 2015                          | a) Year-end program will run against trust and bond funds (funds 5XX and 7XX). Free balances will be brought forward to fiscal year 2016. REVB and EXPB records will be created in fiscal year 2016 for all active records in fiscal year 2015 for trust and bond funds.<br>b) NJCFS will be down from June 30, 2015, 5 p.m. until July 1, 2015 10 a.m.  |
| July 31, 2015                          | a) Travel pre-encumbrances (TEs, THs) will be converted to Agency Orders (AOs). <b>Note: TVs processed after this date must reference the converted agency orders (AOs).</b><br>b) Pre-encumbrances (RAs, RPs, and RDs) will be canceled for all non-trust and bond accounts.<br>c) Year-end program will run against fiscal year 2015 accounts. Free balances will lapse or carry forward, depending on the appropriation language.<br>d) NJCFS will be down from July 31, 2015, 5 p.m. until August 3, 2015, 1:00 p.m. |

## B. Cancellation of Pre-encumbrances

On July 31, 2015 after the close of business, OMB will cancel all pre-encumbrances (RAs, RPs and RDs) in non-continuing appropriation accounts within the General Fund. In anticipation of this action, agencies are encouraged to convert pre-encumbrances that represent legitimate 2015 obligations to encumbrances with proper vendor numbers prior to July 31, 2015. Uncommitted balances created by canceled pre-encumbrances will either lapse or carry forward in accordance with the appropriation type on the appropriation record.

## C. Deficit Balances

Chapter 131, P.L. 1989 established a penalty of prison or fines for purposely and knowingly over expending an appropriation. Any fiscal officer, business manager, or director of administration could be held liable under Chapter 131, P.L. 1989 if salary accounts (or any other accounts) are allowed to go into deficit without immediate corrective action. Therefore, it is the responsibility of each fiscal officer to make certain that no fiscal year 2015 appropriation account closes the fiscal year with a negative unobligated balance. Agency fiscal officers should not rely on last minute processing of transfers and other accounting documents to relieve deficits. Preparation and submission of deficit relieving documents should begin immediately upon receipt of this circular. Because of the time constraints involved, all transfers requiring OLS approval must be submitted to OMB no later than July 3, 2015.

All deficits on the Appropriation Table must be resolved by July 31, 2015. OMB does not require the elimination of deficits on the Expense Budget Table.

## D. Exemption from Fringe Benefit Charges

In order for any non-state funded salary account to be considered exempt in fiscal year 2016 from applicable fringe benefit charges according to Circular 94-09-OMB, new/expired requests for such exemption must be submitted to the Director, OMB for approval prior to July 31, 2015.

## E. Indirect Cost Exemptions

Effective July 1, 2015 all existing waivers for the recovery of indirect costs will be canceled. If a waiver is desired, a new request must be submitted to the Director, OMB for approval. The waiver request must provide justification for the exemption, the dollar amount of the exemption, and the funding source. All waivers will be for one fiscal year only.

## F. IXP2 for New Budget Fiscal Year

To ensure federal payroll charges get posted to the federal grant, agencies are reminded to update the fiscal year and / or reporting categories on IXP2 records for federal accounts by June 30, 2015. For any payroll posting to 2016, agencies must submit FM & FAIT documentation to establish the new reporting categories or update the IXP2 to point back to the prior year appropriation. Payroll charges will hit the account identified in the NJCFS value of IXPR as the default.

## G. Intra-governmental

### 1. Treasury-Division of Administration (Treasury Fiscal)

Treasury Fiscal requests that agencies process payments by July 17, 2015 to cover any actual or projected deficits. Central services administered by Treasury Fiscal are telephone, motor pool, postage, print shop, rent, Distribution Center, and line of credit.

**Note: Please advise OMB Financial Reporting of any material transactions not processed and recorded by July 31, 2015.**

2. Office of Information Technology (OIT)

The Office of Information Technology requires that all agencies with outstanding balances for services provided by OIT process payments on or before Friday, July 17, 2015. Payment account information to OIT can be found on agency invoices located in the Cost Allocation and Recovery System.

3. Department of Corrections (DEPTCOR)

The process to encumber funds payable to DEPTCOR (State Use Industries) if funding is not encumbered through MACS-E purchase order type "STU" is as follows:

- a) Process an encumbrance (AO) with an intra-governmental indicator of "Y."
- b) Process an intra-governmental payment voucher (AV) in accordance with the provisions of Circular 95-08-OMB, referencing the intra-governmental encumbrance.

**Note: BFY 15 must be referenced in the header of the AV transaction for payment to be credited to the seller account.**

- c) The seller account on the AV transaction will be as follows:

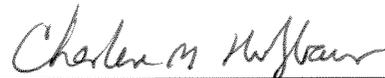
<u>BFY</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Agcy</u>	<u>Orgn</u>	<u>AP Unit</u>	<u>Actv</u>	<u>Rev Src</u>
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- d) The description must be the invoice number from DEPTCOR.

H. Accounting Periods

Please refer to the chart below for the correct assignment of accounting periods.

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>FISCAL YEAR</u>	<u>ACCOUNTING PERIOD</u>
May	15 and earlier	11 15
	16	01 16
June	15 and earlier	12 15
	16	01 16
July	15 and earlier	12 15
	16	01 16



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