

### ftwilliam.com Compliance Software User Group Meeting Meeting #52 July 17, 2018

### Today's Agenda

- Troubleshooting common problems
   – Data scrub
  - Allocation
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  - Top heavy testing
- Form 5500 Data Transfer
- Wrap-up



## New Member of the Compliance Support Team

#### Andy Schommer!



### Topic 1 TROUBLESHOOTING THE DATA SCRUB & ALLOCATION

#### Troubleshooting the Data Scrub

- Error messages on the scrub results screen continue to display, even though the underlying cause has been fixed
  - Errors on the scrub don't clear unless you do one of two things:
    - 1. Re-upload the census data, or
    - 2. Click the 'Clear all errors/overrides' message on the scrub results screen
  - Either way you will then need to re-run the scrub

 Review messages to resolve most issues before allocations & testing

### **Troubleshooting the Allocation**

- Possible causes for contributions not being calculated
  - No compensation \*
  - No one is eligible \*
  - Problem with New Comparability groups \*
  - Deduction limit is exceeded
  - Amount is insufficient to meet top-heavy minimums
  - Formula is non-compliant or entered incorrectly
- Note that the asterisks (\*) indicate that this is likely a census issue

#### **Troubleshooting the Allocation**

- Top heavy minimums not being calculated make sure that:
  - Plan is coded Yes 'Top-heavy as of determination date'
  - Option: 'Design of plan automatically meets topheavy requirement' is coded No
  - There are key employees identified for the current year and they have made contributions
  - The 'Profit Sharing' source is active
  - All compensation fields are populated on the census

### **Troubleshooting the TH Test**

- Test shows zero balances
  - Transaction batches not added, or added but not posted
  - Incorrect selection made for 'Transactions to use when calculating participant balances:' on the Set Top Heavy Test Parameters screen
    - For the most accurate TH test, select 'All transactions other than ending balance' unless you have added only an ending balance transaction batch

#### **Troubleshooting the TH Test**

- Forfeiture/beneficiary/QDRO account is included in the test
  - Accounts are added as a 'dummy' participant
  - Give the dummy participant a termination date prior to the first plan year in the system, and a date of birth making them ineligible



#### **Troubleshooting the TH Test**

Distributions are not being added back

- Historical in-service distribution amounts can be entered in the standard first year supplemental grid; this only works the first year the plan is in ftw
  - Year one is the current plan year, Year 2 is the prior year etc.
- If there are transactions added in year one they will override the data in the supplemental grid
- Distributions taken in later years will pull from the transaction menu – they should be added using transaction type 'In-service'
  - Run a Transaction report

# Topic 2 FORM 5500 DATA TRANSFER

### **5500 PARTICIPANT COUNTS**

- Populate the participant counts from the 5500 – there's an option to populate the participant counts from Compliance on the Edit screen of the 5500
- Remember to always run the data scrub and a financial or vesting export report before running counts
  - These ensure that census data and vesting are accurate

## 8955-SSA EXPORT

Reports separated participants with deferred vested benefits

- To access go to Compliance Menu/ Miscellaneous Tasks
  - Select current or prior year e.g. do you want to include individuals who terminated in 2017, or wait until next year to report them
  - Make sure the data scrub and a financial or vesting export report have been run
  - Bear in mind that the software can't distinguish between a real account and e.g. a forfeiture account, so that may be included



### 8955-SSA – Data Requirements

- To determine who should be on the SSA, the system uses the following data:
  - Participant's termination date
  - Participant's vested account balance
  - Participant forfeitures/distributions from the Transaction Menu
- System will use termination dates on the census – prior plan year does not need to be in ftwiliam.com

## 8955-SSA EXPORT

To access go to Compliance Menu/ Miscellaneous Tasks

- Select year end same as 5500
- Select termination year
  - Option to report participants terminating in current or prior year
  - DOL allows filers to delay reporting participants until the year after they terminated
- Click the button to calculate this plan or all plans (designated Admins only)

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### FORM 8955-SSA – SSA REPORT

Click the This Plan button – you'll get a report like the one below

- Review the report for accuracy; if it's correct you can send the records to the 5500 module
- If not, click the View/Edit button on the 8955-SSA Export Menu

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- Click the participant's name to edit the record
- You can change any of the fields shown click the 'Update' button
- Note that if you recalculate the changes will not be saved

#### FORM 8955-SSA –TRANSFER RECORDS

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Select Month/Year End:	12 🔻 / 2017 🔻	
Select Termination Year:	Current Year 🔻	
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View/Edit:	Web - This Plan 💌	
Transfer Records:	Push - This Plan 💌	
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 Push – transfers data directly to the ftw 8955-SSA

Will replace what's already in the form

 CSV - prints the results to a CSV file to upload to the 8955-SSA

## FORM 8955-SSA - ALL PLANS OPTION

- Warning use the all plans option with extreme caution!
- If you have completed 8955-SSA's already, using the all plans option will overwrite all SSA's previously completed



### Topic 3 NOTE ON VENDOR UPLOADS & WRAP-UP

#### Vendor Upload - Principal

- If you are having issues uploading a csv file downloaded from the Principal site
  - The order of the fields may need to be adjusted
- Here is the contact information
  - TPA Edge Team
  - 1-800-958-5124, option 1
- See the ftw Help Center for a sample Principal file

#### Wrap-up



- No meeting in August but we have two one-day user conferences coming up:
  - August 2 in Costa Mesa, CA
  - September 6 in Washington D.C.
- The next meeting will be Tuesday, September 18 – do you have ideas for agenda items? If so, please send them to support@ftwilliam.com
- Thank you for attending and enjoy the rest of the summer