

IPERS Employer Bulletin 2008-1

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TO: Reporting Officials
FROM: Donna M. Mueller, CEO
SUBJECT: New Implementation Date for I-Que

After careful consideration, the implementation date for employer reporting on I-Que, IPERS' new computer system, has been moved from the first wage report being for April 2008 wages to the first wage report being for July 2008 wages.

The decision was made for several reasons. First, many employers have expressed concerns that they will not have the necessary programming done on their end to report wages in I-Que by May. In addition, IPERS became concerned that a May rollout date would not allow the time to test I-Que in a manner thorough enough to ensure the best possible product for you. Delaying the implementation by one quarter gives both IPERS and employers additional time to ensure a smoother transition to I-Que.

How should I report wages for April, May, and June 2008?

Please submit your wage report for the second quarter (April, May, and June) in the same manner as you have in the past. Second-quarter wage reports are due in IPERS' office by July 31, 2008. To help move ahead with our transition to I-Que, we ask you to submit this report as early as possible.

When will employer training for the new system be held?

The employer I-Que training previously planned for April will be held in July, giving employers the opportunity to attend training just before the new system becomes available in early August. Watch your e-mail or mail in mid- to late May for more details on the training.

To make training as convenient as possible, we will provide training in three different formats: hands-on group training, online group training, and an online self-led tutorial. Hands-on group sessions will be held around the state on a variety of dates. You may attend the online sessions from the computer of your choice, and the self-led tutorial will be available on IPERS' Web site at your convenience. We hope the variety of training opportunities available will give everyone a chance to participate in one format or another.

IPERS hopes that this implementation delay does not have adverse effects on anyone, and apologizes for any inconvenience it may cause. We feel quite strongly this slight delay is well worth the benefits it will bring to the employer reporting functions. If you have specific questions regarding the schedule adjustment, please contact a member of IPERS' Employer Relations Bureau at 1-800-622-3849 or employerrelations@ipers.org.