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Electronic Payment Method Now Available for Motor Fuel Taxpayers

To all motor fuel taxpayers registered to file and pay on Forms RMFT-5 and RMFT-5-US, and tax professionals

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The Illinois Department of Revenue (IDOR) is accepting electronic payments using the ACH credit method from taxpayers filing either of the following motor fuel tax forms:

- Form RMFT-5, Motor Fuel Distributor/Supplier Tax Return
- Form RMFT-5-US, Underground Storage Tank Tax and Environmental Impact Fee Receiver Return

What is ACH credit?

ACH credit is an electronic method of payment. After authorizing electronic payments (see below), taxpayers initiate payments through their financial institution. Financial institutions, in turn, then electronically transmit payments through the ACH network to IDOR.

What are the benefits of paying by ACH credit?

Paying by ACH credit is a secure method which allows taxpayers to exercise more control over the initiation and timing of payments made to IDOR. Using the ACH credit option eliminates problems of lost or stolen checks, reduces administrative and check processing costs, and allows taxpayers to receive immediate confirmation that the payments have been authorized.

How do I register for electronic payments?

The registration process for electronic payments begins by completing Form EFT-1, Authorization Agreement for Certain Electronic Payments, available on our website. After the Department receives your form, you will be sent a packet explaining how to begin making electronic payments through the ACH credit process with your financial institution.

Important: If you have registered to make payments for other taxes, you still must complete Form EFT-1 to include motor fuel among those payments.

When will the Department begin accepting Form EFT-1 for motor fuel payment registration?

We encourage you to begin the registration process as soon as possible so that you are properly set up for initiating payments for your July 2014 liability, due by August 20, 2014.