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Background:

The Correspondence Imaging System (CIS) was developed in response to a need for a more efficient approach to processing and handling paper taxpayer correspondence received in the Wage & Investment (W&I) Customer Account Services (CAS) Accounts Management (AM) The CIS system is currently in production in the following W&I CAS AM sites. Andover, Atlanta, Austin, Brookhaven, Cincinnati, Fresno, Kansas City, Memphis. Odden, and Philadelphia This system was developed for operation within IRS's standard corporate computing infrastructure, which includes workstations, Windows 2000 Servers Tier III environment using Content Manager, and DB2 database management software (DB2) The imaging application utilizes Web Sphere, Oracle Form and Reports, Documentum, IBM NQ, and Business Objects for Reporting software on high volume and mid-range scanners Note. DB2 Database was replaced with Oracle 10g Database in 2009, and DB2 no longer supports the CIS effort

The Customer Applications Development Division (CADD)/Audit Programs & Support Services Branch (APSS)/Information Management Applications Section (IMAS) partnered with contractors and developed the project with Commercial-off-the-Shelf (COTS) software products, supplemented by custom programming for business logic and web interfaces CIS supports the imaging sub-system and is deployed on the scanner hosts This software is used to initialize the scanner and is the mechanism by which paper is converted to images. The Content Manager (CM) manages images and monitors the flow of the digital documents, respectively Customer Service Representatives access their cases (images) via Internet Explorer and Java applets A key capability of the CIS Content Manager software is the scalable and distributed architecture that provides an enterprise-wide catalog The enterprise catalog provides a centralized repository to manage documents across multiple systems and sites CIS also provides a distributed architecture, allowing for the deployment of scanning, indexing, and quality assurance tasks across multiple workstations per site

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Correspondence Imaging System (CIS)

Description:

The Correspondence Imaging System (CIS) captures images of correspondence from taxpayers intended for Accounts Management (AM) employees. Correspondence includes TaxPayer letters, returned notices (CP responses) and standard forms (i.e., SF 1040X, 1120X, 941C) which are scanned and electronically routed to AM employees. After work is completed on a case, including any quality review processes, the images are stored following retention guidelines, and are accessible by other employees with CIS access should the need arise.

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A. Inputs:

The Correspondence Imaging System (CIS) in all 10 Internal Revenue Service Campuses captures images of correspondence from taxpayers intended for Accounts Management (AM) employees Correspondence includes letters, returned notices and standard forms that are scanned and electronically routed to AM employees. CIS also receives data inputs from internal systems. Electronic linked systems to CIS include, but are not limited to, the National Account Profile (NAP) via Legacy Access Provider (LAP), Security and Communications System (SACS), Standardized IDRS Access Tier 1 (SIA TIER1), Taxpayer Information File Data Store (TIF DS) via Legacy Access Provider (LAP), Security and Communications System (SACS), and Standardized IDRS Access Tier 1 (SIA TIER1)

Disposition: TEMPORARY Delete/destroy original paper copies after scanning, quality review, and validation

B. System Data:

System data in the Correspondence Imaging System (CIS) is identified by a uniquely assigned "image number" and the date scanned in order to facilitate the research and retrieval of the paper document at a later date. Individual CIS Electronic Records can be primarily queried by CIS case identifier, Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN), Document Locator Number (DLN), and for specific roles, some can query by Customer Service Representative (CSR) Number. One of these identifiers is required and results can be further refined by selecting the state of the case, Master File Tax (MFT) Number, Tax Period, Name Control, IRS received date.

1. Non-Collection Statute Expiration (CSED) related cases.

Disposition. TEMPORARY Cut-off when taxpayer case is closed Delete/destroy 7 years after cut-off

2. Statute Expiration (CSED) related cases.

Disposition: TEMPORARY Cut-off when taxpayer case is closed Delete/destroy 10 years after cut-off

C. Outputs:

Systems Receiving Data from this the Correspondence Imaging System (CIS) include Account Management Services (AMS-1, AMS), Correspondence Letter System (CORRESPONDEX, CRX) via Legacy Access Provider (LAP), Security and Communications System (SACS), Standardized IDRS Access Tier (SIA TIER1), General Updates (GEN UP) via Legacy Access Provider (LAP), Security and Communications System (SACS), Standardized IDRS Access Tier 1 (SIA TIER1), TaxPayer Delinquent Account (TDA) via Legacy Access Provider (LAP), Security and Communications System (SACS), Standardized IDRS Access Tier 1 (SIA TIER1)

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	CtS interfaces with the systems via the Integrated Data I System (IDRS). IDRS communicates via a set of IDRS command codes that are executed as server side calls, as, through the IDRS terminal emulation session. These commands gather information from TIF, Master File and Databases CIS also interfaces with the SACS system to authenticate users and to leverage their security model Additionally, CIS images IRS internally generated transcribes that ultimately become case work for Adjustment Disposition TEMPORARY Delete/destroy when no long needed for operational purposes	as well cFOL o ripts and s CSRs	Gres 20		
	*Note – CIS outputs are retained in the recipient systems official records.	as the			
]	D. System Documentation				
	System Documentation for the Correspondence Imaging (CIS) consists of codebooks, records layout, User Guide other related materials.	and	Exception to		
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