

To: MTC Strategic Planning Steering Committee

Date: May 30, 2014

From: Elizabeth Harchenko

RE: Updated progress report on current strategic planning projects

This report replaces the report I sent you on May 4.

### **Nexus Committee**

During the March committee meeting in Denver, the Nexus Committee began a strategic planning process for the National Nexus Program. The committee developed “raw materials” that will be used to create a mission statement, a vision statement and goal area descriptions for the National Nexus Program. After the committee meeting, a smaller group volunteered to take the raw materials and work with me to put them into statement form for the full committee’s review.

The small group has met twice by teleconference, and has completed the initial drafting process. The full Nexus Committee is scheduled to have a teleconference on June 13 to review and approve the draft mission, vision and goals. A copy is attached for your information. The project team will then develop some potential projects to present to the Nexus Committee at the annual meeting in July.

Lennie Collins, chair of the Nexus Committee, will be available during the Steering Committee meeting to discuss the progress of this effort to date.

### **Marketplace Fairness Act Project Team**

The MFA project team was chartered by the Steering Committee to develop a description and high level program plan for the “single audit” requirement of the MFA. The team first met by teleconference on March 12. They have held two additional teleconferences, on April 28 and May 21. The team has developed a robust list of issues to be reviewed as a part of this project. The most current version of the project description is attached.

The team is currently doing research in several areas – the actual requirements of the MFA that touch the “single audit” requirement; issues that will affect non-SSUTA states and local jurisdictions; issues that touch on the MTC audit program; and data that will help define the scope of a “single audit” program for remote sellers. Uncertainty about the requirements of the MFA once it comes out of the House makes development of a program challenging.

This team will meet by teleconference monthly until the end of 2014, which is the target completion date for this project.

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The team would like a few more state representatives to help share the workload. Texas, Louisiana and South Dakota are currently participating.