



Letter of Intent to Develop MeF Partnership Tax E-file Software For Tax Year 2016

If you are a software developer who plans to market or distribute software for preparation and e-filing of New York State Partnership tax forms, you must complete this form before you can begin testing. If you have more than one product you must complete and submit a separate Letter of Intent for each product; each product must have its own Software ID

Your response is for testing purposes. It does not constitute a binding legal contract.

We need this information to ensure that we:

- Have the most current vendor information on file; and
•Are able to determine the status of each vendor's progress throughout the ATS Testing process.

Instructions:

1. Please complete all the relevant vendor information fields below. You may choose your own New York State Software ID. This may be up to ten Alpha/Numeric characters.

2. In the Supported Forms section, check the boxes that correspond to the forms that your software will provide. Indicate any relevant information that pertains to the forms in the corresponding "Comments" section. See page 4 for new information regarding PDF attachments.

3. When completed, save a copy of this file and return via email to Partnership.MeF@tax.ny.gov

Notify us of any changes. If, after you submit this letter, you decide to change the forms you have included in your software package, you must notify us within seven days. Additional testing may be required.

Professional Product Online Product

NYS Software ID [input field]

Product Name [input field]

EFIN [input field]

ETIN [input field]

Yes No

NACTP Member? If yes, enter member ID# [input field]

Contact Information

Legal Name

Firm Name

Address

City State Zip
Code

Website

Primary Contact Name

E-mail Address

Phone Number Ext

Fax Number

Secondary Contact Name

E-mail Address

Phone Number Ext

Fax Number

Paper Forms Software ID

Last 4 digits of number
printed above barcode
by software is Paper
Forms Software ID



Please indicate if you support the following:

	Yes	No		Yes	No
Linked			Foreign Address		
Unlinked			TIGERS Authentication Header		

Supported Forms

Please indicate your support for the following forms. "XML" indicates support for the form in XML. "PDF" indicates form supported through PDF attachment. You must specify XML or PDF for all credit/additional forms. **NOTES:** 1)If your software supports any or all of forms IT-370-PF, IT-204, IT-204-LL, IT-204.1, IT-204-CP, and IT-204-IP, they must be supported in XML. PDF attachments of these forms are not allowed*. 2) Software supporting IT-204 must also support IT-204.1, IT-204-CP and IT-204-IP(in XML). 3)Any forms previously supported in XML by your software must continue to be supported in XML this tax year. You may choose to support additional forms in XML. Important change for Tax Year 2016- Vendors are required to support ALL credit/additional forms either in XML or PDF. See page 4.

Form	XML	PDF	Form	XML	PDF	Form	XML	PDF
Main Forms								
IT-370-PF	<input type="checkbox"/>	XML only*	IT-204	<input type="checkbox"/>	XML only*	IT-204-LL	<input type="checkbox"/>	XML only*
IT-204.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	XML only*	IT-204-CP	<input type="checkbox"/>	XML only*	IT-204-IP	<input type="checkbox"/>	XML only*
Credit/ Additional Forms								
DTF-686			IT-212			IT-223		
IT-225			IT-236			IT-241		
IT-242			IT-249			IT-256		
IT-398			IT-399			IT-602		
IT-603			IT-604			IT-606		
IT-607			IT-611			IT-611.1		
IT-611.2			IT-612			IT-634		
IT-635			IT-636			IT-637		
IT-638			IT-639			IT-640		
IT-641			IT-642			IT-643		
IT-644			IT-645			IT-646		

Y-204
Comments:

New for Tax Year 2016 – New York State Partnership MeF to Accept Credit Forms in PDF Format

Beginning with tax year 2016, the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance(NYSDTF) will accept partnership e-file submissions with PDF attachment of credit forms and other forms previously accepted in XML only. This change will significantly increase the number of returns eligible to be electronically filed. Following are some details about this change to the NYSDTF Partnership MeF Program.

1)Attachment of PDF credit or additional forms will be allowed *beginning with tax year 2016 filings*. Previous and prior year electronic filings do not allow credit forms to be submitted as PDF attachments.

2)Only credit and additional forms listed on the *Letter of Intent to Develop MeF Partnership Tax E-file Software For Tax Year 2016* will be accepted as PDF attachments. Attempts to e-file returns claiming credits not accepted in MeF will continue to be rejected.

3)Software vendors supporting Form IT-204 *Partnership Return* will be required to support ALL credit forms and additional forms accepted for Partnership e-File in either XML or PDF. By indicating your software supports form IT-204 in the “Supported Forms” section above, you agree to this stipulation.

4)Any forms your software supported in XML in previous years must continue to be supported in XML for tax year 2016. Vendors may add additional forms supported in XML. NYSDTF encourages vendors to support as many forms as possible in XML.

5)Attachments may be created from fill-in PDF forms available on the NYSDTF website or from forms scanned into PDF format. Approved e-file tax preparation software must provide the necessary instructions for creating, scanning, or exporting documents in PDF format and submitting these documents as attachments that are required by NYSDTF. All attachments must adhere to the guidelines for PDF attachments listed in Publication 97 *New York State Partnership Modernized e-file(MeF) Guide for Software Developers For Tax Year 2016*.

If you have questions about this program please contact us at Partnership.MeF@tax.ny.gov.