

South African Revenue Service

Dear Stakeholder

## 2014 - IT3 (b, c and e) Submissions

Following our first third party data submissions using the direct data flow channel, further enhancements of the specification are necessary to improve the quality of the submissions. As you are aware the latest specification was circulated to all stakeholders for comments and input; we also had workshops during the month of August 2013 to discuss and address the envisaged enhancements. As a result of all these interactions, SARS is now in the position to publish the final specification as agreed amongst the parties.

The IT3 specification has been updated to **SARS\_External BRS\_2013\_IT3s\_v1.0.0**. This new specification is now available on our website and can be downloaded.

The industry requested that SARS consider implementing the changes in the IT3 BRS for the 2014 tax year and not the 2013 tax year. SARS would like to advise industry that this request has been disallowed and that the April/May 2014 submissions (March 2013 – February 2014) must adhere to the new specification.

The critical dates therefore are as follows:

Updated Specification Publication Trade Testing Commencement Go-live 21 September 2013. 14 January 2014 – 28 February 2014. during March 2014.

## Further information

For more detailed information about IT3 Data Submissions, please visit our webpage on the SARS website which can be accessed by clicking here IT3 Data Submissions or by following the path www.sars.gov.za > Client Segments > Businesses and Employers > Modernised 3rd party data Platform > IT3 Data Submission.

Sincerely

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