IRM PROCEDURAL UPDATE

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SUBJECT: MFT 32 TC 971 AC 111 Programming Error Causing Unpostables;

Identifying Archives/Deleted Returns; TPP 3rd Party Form 56

AFFECTED IRM(s)/SUBSECTION(s): 25.25.6

IRM 25.25.6.1.7 - Added instructions for cases with an unreversed TC 971 AC 129 marker and authentication has been completed. Added information for 6331C new insert Notice 1455 is now issued with the letter to advise the taxpayer of ID Verify option and QR code for access.

(1) The Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) is responsible for identifying potential identity theft cases that are scored by a set of identity theft models in the Dependent Database (DDb); selected through filters in the Return Review Program (RRP) system; or manually selected by Return Integrity Verification Operations (RIVO).

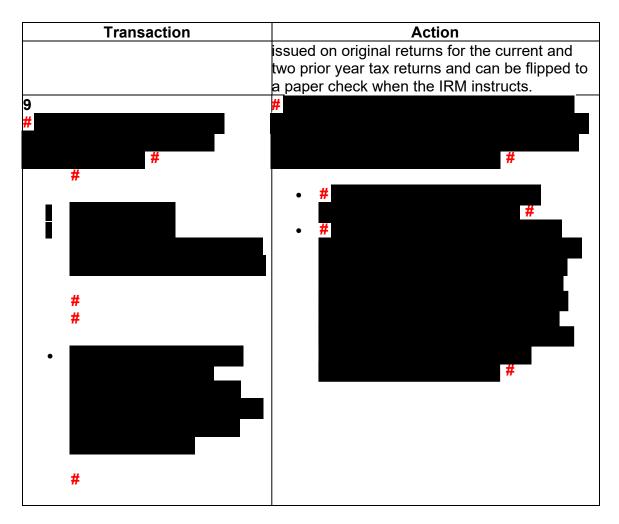


(2) Returns selected for the TPP program can be identified by one or more of the following indicators:

Transaction	Action
1	The transaction causes the return in question to
A TC 971 AC 124 (used exclusively	go unpostable (UP) 126 reason code (RC) "0".
beginning in January 2017) -	(No additional actions are required if the TC 971
contains the document locator	AC 124 has the literal "TR" in the MISC field.)
number (DLN) of the return in	
question in the MISC field (may	Note: An unreversed TC 971 AC 124 alone is
contain additional indicators such as	not an indication of an open TPP issue, unless
"TR"). The TC 971 AC 124 is	there is a corresponding return that is UP 126
	RC "0" and it is unresolved (DLN in the MISC
indicates the TPP issue is resolved.	field of the TC 971 AC 124 matches the DLN of
	the unpostable return). Do not forward cases to
Exception: The TC 971 AC 124	RIVO if the only issue is the unreversed marker

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Transac		Action
cannot post to an ac		and the return has posted and no other TPP
an established entity	•	marker is present.
there may be a dela	-	If the account reflects the TC 971 AC 124
AC 124 posting to the		marker, but the return is still in ERS processing,
though the return is	UP 126 RC "0".	follow ERS procedures in IRM 21.4.1, Refund
		Research. Conduct IDRS research on CC
		TRDBV, ERINV and TXMODA, to determine the
		status of the return.
2	/ l	The transaction will cause the return in question
A TC 971 AC 121 -	` •	to go unpostable (UP) 126 reason code (RC)
beginning in Januar		"0". (No additional actions are required if the TC
contain a MISC field		971 AC 121 has a MISC field of "DDB ARAP
RULE TR" or "DDB		RULE TR" or "DDB ARAP RULE OM".)
OM". The TC 971 A		
reversed with a TC indicates the TPP is		
liluicates the TFF is	ssue is resolveu.	
Exception: The TC	971 AC 121	
cannot post to an ac		
an established entit		
there may be a dela	•	
AC 121 posting to the	-	
though the return is	UP 126 RC "0".	
3 Δ return showing as	LIP 126 RC "0"	The return can be located on CC TXMODA, CC UPTIN, or CC TRDBV.
7 (Total II Showing ac	01 120110 0.	or my, or do mabby.
A TC 971 AC 124 a	nd the DLN in	
the MISC field is pre	esent (the	
account may contain	n a second TC	
971 AC 124 and the	e DLN in the	
MISC field matches	the prior TC 971	
AC 124)		
4		The refund may be held with a -R freeze or a P-
A posted return (TC	. ,	freeze. These returns were identified after the
with a posted TC 97		initial processing and therefore could not be
containing one of th	e following	unposted as an UP 126 RC "0".
MISC fields:		Returns selected for identity authentication from
The DIAL CO	tha nations !	the RIVO External Leads Process will always
The DLN of the street of	ine reiurn in	be posted returns (TC 150 present on CC
question	the return in	TXMODA) and the refund will have been issued but returned by the financial institution. The
The DLN of the superior and the sup		account will show a TC 841 or TC 720.
•		account will show a 10 041 01 10 120.
(External Lea	מעוטו)	Note: If an account contains
IVO EL IDI IVO FRE PA	TTERN	an unreversed TC 971 AC 129 and
• IVO RSV ID		authentication has been completed per AMS
- 10010010	1	notes, the case should not be referred to RIVO
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Transaction	Action
IVO IP PIN	as an open TPP issue.
A posted return (TC 150 present) with one or more of the following account indicators: • A TC 971 AC 123 with a MISC field of "TPP RECOVERY" • The refund may be lost or held with a P- freeze • A TC 971 AC 129 may be present with one of the following MISC fields The DLN of the return in question The DLN of the return in question and the literal "BKLD"	These returns are part of the TPP Recovery process for the failed TC 971 AC 124. The returns will always be posted returns (TC 150 present on CC TXMODA) and the refund will have been issued but returned or in the process of being returned by the financial institution, see IRM 25.25.6.1.7.1, Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Recovery Project.
6 TC 971 AC 052 on the account (not a TPP marker)	Will resequence the TC 150 for 14 days. If the return is selected for TPP, a TC 971 AC 124 will be present on the tax module. After the TPP Unpostable 126 0 is resolved, the 14-day resequence will be applied to the TC 150. The TC 971 AC 052 is not a TPP marker. Note: These returns are rescored for NON ID theft criteria after the TPP Unpostable 126 0 is resolved. Once the return is posted, if selected for further review, a TC 971 AC 134 will be present and will create a – R freeze. The income and withholding on the return must be verified prior to releasing the refund.
7 TC 971 AC 129 with MISC Field NNNNNNNNNNNNNN 1040X. (NNNNNNNNNNNNNNN in TC 971 AC 129 is the 1040X MeF DLN)	RICS will use the marker to identify potential Identity Theft MEF Form 1040X's. RICS will use the Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) process to authenticate the caller and determine if the Form 1040X can be processed and reverse the marker with a specific MISC field to indicate treatment of Form 1040X as IDT or NON IDT.
8 TC 971 AC 850 on the account (not a TPP marker)	RICS will use the marker to flip the direct deposit to a paper check.
a iii manorj	Reminder: Direct deposit refunds are now



(3) One of the following letters will be sent to the taxpayer advising them to contact TPP to authenticate their identity:



Note: Issuance of the letter will not appear on CC ENMOD. However, a TC 971 AC 123 with the letter number in the MISC field may appear on CC TXMODA. Due to programming issues, some accounts will show multiple TPP letter markers and in some instances, multiple letters may be issued in error. If the caller inquires about multiple letters and there is no other UNP 1260 associated with the duplicate letters, apologize to the taxpayer for the error. Some taxpayers may or may not have already authenticated.

Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Letters

Letter	Description/Details
	Issued on accounts for returns filed with an address in the United States. The account may
during Original Processing	contain a TC 971 AC 123 with a MISC field of "STEP-UP AUTH" (4883SP - Spanish version)
	Issued on accounts for returns filed with an address outside the United States
Letter 5747C, Potential Identity Theft during Original Processing - TAC AUTH ONLY or 5747SP - Spanish version	Issued on accounts containing a TC 971 AC 123 with a MISC field of "TAC AUTH ONLY") or a TC 971 AC 123 with a MISC field of "HIGH RISK AUTH". The letter comes with the online verification option that instructs the taxpayer to use the ID Verify website at www.idverify.irs.gov to authenticate their identity and also provides the option to visit their local Taxpayer Assistance Center (TAC) for in-person visits.
During Original Processing with Online Option	Issued on accounts meeting specific criteria. The letter directs the taxpayer to the online verification option and provides the web address to the Identity Verification Service landing page located via the IRS.gov website. The letter provides the option of using the website or calling the TPP number to authenticate their identity. **If the caller chose not to use the <i>idverify</i> website due to issues with the website, was confused with the process, or had other concerns with responding to the questions, apologize for the inconvenience and continue with the authentication process.
Letter 6330C, Potential Identity Theft during Original Processing	Issued on accounts as part of the new TPP pilot.
Note: For the 2022 filing season, the 6330C pilot letter will continue to be issued to a limited amount of taxpayers through the end of April 2022.	 If the caller was issued the Letter 6330C, employees will use procedures for Letter 4883C to address the inquiry throughout the IRM. The pilot letter cannot be reissued, therefore the corresponding letter below must be issued if the TP did not receive, misplaced/lost or did not receive the letter, the corresponding letter will be

Letter 6331C. Potential Identity Theft	issued. Letter 6330C = 4883C Issued on accounts as part of the new TPP
during Original Processing with Online Option	pilot.
Note: This letter contains an insert Notice 1455, IRS Identity Verification Service, that refers taxpayers to the online ID Verify website to complete authentication. It also contains a QR code that will take taxpayers directly to the online website. It is two-sided for English and Spanish.	 If the caller was issued the Letter 6331C, employees will use procedures for Letter 5071C to address the inquiry throughout the IRM. The pilot letter cannot be reissued, therefore the corresponding letter below must be issued if the TP did not receive, misplaced/lost or did not receive the letter, the corresponding letter will be issued. Letter 6331C = 5071C

For information on the ID Verify process, see IRM 25.25.6.3.5, ID Verify - TPP Online Authentication.

(4) All control bases should be opened/input on CC TXMODA on MFT 30 unless otherwise stated. To prevent delays, for any case with duplicate or multiple controls, case actions must be coordinated with the other control prior to taking any actions on the account.

IRM 25.25.6.2.1.1 - Added instructions to treat MFT 32 TC 971 AC 111 unpostable programming error cases and updated MFT 32 returns not be moved on or after cycle 202247 throughout chart.

(1) The taxpayer states they did not file the return in question. Follow the chart below to resolve the account:

IF	THEN
1	**Due to the current programming error
The return is for tax	causing the TC 971 AC 111 transaction to
year 2021 or 2020 (for 2020 returns,	go unpostable, employees cannot input
follow Then section if action is being	actions to resolve Unpostable 1260 to move
taken prior to cycle 202247	the identity theft return to MFT 32 at this
	time. Follow bullet instructions below, if
OR	applicable, then go directly to IRM
	25.25.6.6.3.1 (4), to input identity theft

IF	THEN
If on or after cycle 202247, follow procedures in box 2 below to send the return to be manually reprocessed Note: Beginning in cycle 202247, returns for tax year 2020 can no longer be moved to MFT 32. If action is taken to move the return to MFT 32 on or after cycle 202247, an unpostable will generate and will be reassigned to the employee for corrective action.	If the taxpayer attached their return to be processed to the response, take the following actions: Detach the taxpayer identification number (TIN) owner's return, all necessary return attachments (including a Form 14039, Identity Theft Affidavit), and the envelope from the reply. Use an RIVO stamp or hand write "RIVO" on the return in the upper left-hand corner. If not already present, edit the return received date, see IRM 3.11.3.8.2.1, Types of Received Dates, when editing a received date on a return. Edit special processing code (SPC) "B" on the taxpayer's return and route for processing, see IRM 3.10.73.6(12), Batching Unnumbered Returns and Documents. Close the RIVO correspondence control base with an activity field of "RTN2PROC". If no return for the taxpayer is attached, but a Form 14039, with an original signature is attached, route the form to Alpha Files, see IRM 3.5.61.21.10, Identity Theft Returns - Alpha Files. Exception: If the Form 14039 is viewable in AMS images, destroy the form as classified waste. Input/Update Electronic Fraud Detection System (EFDS) notes as appropriate. Document the authentication results in AMS as appropriate, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit

IF	THEN
	 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries. Destroy the notice or letter as classified waste. If no return is being sent for processing, close the RIVO correspondence control base with an activity field of "IDTRTN".
The return is for tax year 2019 or prior. Note: Beginning in cycle 202247, returns for tax year 2020 or prior can no longer be moved to MFT 32. If action is taken to move the return to MFT 32 on or after cycle 202247, this will cause an unpostable to generate and will be reassigned to the employee for corrective action.	Resolve the UP 126 RC "0", see IRM 25.25.6.6.3.1, Procedures for Resolving the Account when the Identity Theft Return is Unpostable (UP) 126 Reason Code (RC) "0". (Use the procedures in paragraph 4 block 3 or block 4 as appropriate.) Disregard instructions stating to advise the taxpayer. • If the taxpayer attached their return to be processed to the response, take the following actions: • Detach the TIN owner's return, all necessary return attachments (including a Form 14039, and the envelope from the reply. Use an RIVO stamp or hand write "RIVO" on the return in the upper left-hand corner. • If not already present, edit the return received date, see IRM 3.11.3.8.2.1, Types of Received Dates, when editing a received date on a return. • Edit SPC "B" on the taxpayer's return and route for processing, see IRM 3.10.73.6(12), Batching
	Unnumbered Returns and Documents. Note: If the Assessment Statute Expiration Date (ASED) is imminent (within 90 days) or has expired, see IRM 25.25.6.9, RIVO Statute Procedures for TPP Returns. If no return for the taxpayer is attached, but a Form 14039, with an

IF	THEN
	original signature is attached, route the form to Alpha Files, see IRM 3.5.61.21.10, Identity Theft Returns - Alpha Files.
	Exception: If the Form 14039 is viewable in AMS images, destroy the form as classified waste.
	 Input/Update EFDS notes as appropriate. Document the authentication results in AMS as appropriate, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries. Destroy the notice or letter as classified waste. Close the RIVO correspondence control base with an activity field of "IDTRTN" or "RTN2PROC", as appropriate.

IRM 25.25.6.2.1.4 - Clarified what archived/deleted returns are and how to identify one.

(1) If the account has multiple returns and the taxpayer states they did not file a return, follow the chart below to resolve the account:

IF	THEN
The identity theft returns are unpostable (UP) 126 reason code (RC) "0"	See IRM 25.25.6.6.3.1, Procedures for Resolving the Account when the Identity Theft Return is Unpostable (UP) 126 Reason Code (RC) "0". Disregard instructions stating to advise the taxpayer.
	 If the taxpayer attached their return to be processed to the response, take the following actions: Detach the taxpayer identification number (TIN) owner's return, all necessary return

IF	THEN
••	attachments (including a Form 14039), and the envelope from the reply. Use an RIVO stamp or hand write "RIVO" on the return in the upper left-hand corner. If not already present, edit the return received date, see IRM 3.11.3.8.2.1, Types of Received Dates, when editing a received date on a return. Edit special processing code (SPC) "B" on the taxpayer's return and route for processing, see IRM 3.10.73.6(12), Batching Unnumbered Returns and Documents.
	Note: If the Assessment Statute Expiration Date (ASED) is imminent (within 90 days) or has expired, see IRM 25.25.6.9, RIVO Statute Procedures for TPP Returns.
	If no return for the taxpayer is attached, but a Form 14039, with an original signature is attached, route the Form 14039 to Alpha Files, see IRM 3.5.61.21.10, Identity Theft Returns - Alpha Files.
	Exception: If the Form 14039 is viewable in AMS images, destroy the form as classified waste.
	 Input/Update EFDS notes as appropriate. Destroy the notice or letter as classified waste.
	 Document the authentication results in AMS as appropriate, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries. Close the RIVO correspondence control base with an activity field of "IDTRTN" or "RTN2PROC".
The identity that returns are	See IRM 25.25.6.6.3.2, Procedures for Resolving
The identity theft returns are posted or are UP 147 and the	the Account when the Identity Theft Return is Posted or is Unpostable 147 and the Account
account contains an unreversed	contains an Unreversed Taxpayer Protection

IF	THEN
TC 971 AC 129	Program (TPP) Indicator. Disregard instructions stating to advise the taxpayer.
	 If the taxpayer attached their return to be processed to the response, take the following actions: Detach the TIN owner's return, all necessary return attachments (including a Form 14039), and the envelope from the reply. Use an RIVO stamp or hand write "RIVO" on the return in the upper left-hand corner. If not already present, edit the return received date, see IRM 3.11.3.8.2.1, Types of Received Dates, when editing a received date on a return. Edit SPC "B" on the taxpayer's return and route for processing, see IRM 3.10.73.6(12), Batching Unnumbered Returns and Documents.
	Note: If the Assessment Statute Expiration Date (ASED) is imminent (within 90 days) or has expired, see IRM 25.25.6.9, RIVO Statute Procedures for TPP Returns.
	If no return for the taxpayer is attached, but a Form 14039, with an original signature is attached, associate the Form 14039 to the DLN of the TC 150 (paper returns only), otherwise route the Form 14039 to Alpha Files, see IRM 3.5.61.21.10, Identity Theft Returns - Alpha Files.
	Exception: If the Form 14039 is viewable in AMS images, destroy the form as classified waste.
	 Input/Update EFDS notes as appropriate. Add a note using CC UPDIS asking SP to close the unpostable, based on the RIVO correspondence case. RIVO employee will not close the unpostable 147. Document the authentication results in AMS as appropriate, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit

IF	THEN 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries. • Destroy the notice or letter as classified waste.
3 See	Close the RIVO correspondence control base with an activity field of "IDTRTN" or "RTN2PROC". IRM 25.25.6.6.3.3, Procedures for Resolving
The identity theft returns are posted to MFT 32 Postor Disrarchived or deleted (the return tax)	Account when the Identity Theft Return is sted on MFT 32 or has been Archived. regard instructions stating to advise the payer.
were never processed and are not posted to MFT 30 or MFT 32)	 If the taxpayer attached their return to be processed to the response, take the following actions: Detach the TIN owner's return, all necessary return attachments (including a Form 14039), and the envelope from the reply. Use an RIVO stamp or hand write "RIVO" on the return in the upper left-hand corner. If not already present, edit the return received date, see IRM 3.11.3.8.2.1, Types of Received Dates, when editing a received date on a return. Edit SPC "B" on the taxpayer's return and route for processing, see IRM 3.10.73.6(12), Batching Unnumbered Returns and Documents. Note: If the Assessment Statute Expiration Date (ASED) is imminent (within 90 days) or has expired, see IRM 25.25.6.9, RIVO Statute Procedures for TPP Returns. If no return for the taxpayer is attached, but a Form 14039, with an original signature is attached, route the Form 14039 to Alpha Files, see IRM 3.5.61.21.10, Identity Theft Returns - Alpha Files. Exception: If the Form 14039 is viewable in AMS images, destroy the form as

IF	THEN
II .	 Input/Update EFDS notes as appropriate. Document the authentication results in AMS as appropriate, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries. Destroy the notice or letter as classified waste. Close the RIVO correspondence control base with an activity field of "IDTRTN" or "RTN2PROC".
The account contains identity theft returns that are:	 See IRM 25.25.6.5.2.3, Multiple Returns and the Taxpayer Did Not File Any of the Returns. Disregard instructions stating to advise the taxpayer. If the taxpayer attached their return to be processed to the response, take the following actions: Detach the TIN owner's return, all necessary return attachments (including a Form 14039), and the envelope from the reply. Use an RIVO stamp or hand write "RIVO" on the return in the upper left-hand corner. If not already present, edit the return received date, see IRM 3.11.3.8.2.1, Types of Received Dates, when editing a received date on a return. Edit SPC "B" on the taxpayer's return and route for processing, see IRM 3.10.73.6(12), Batching Unnumbered Returns and Documents. Note: If the Assessment Statute Expiration Date (ASED) is imminent (within 90 days) or has expired, see IRM 25.25.6.9, RIVO Statute Procedures for TPP Returns.
	If no return for the taxpayer is attached, but a Form 14039, with an original signature is attached, associate the Form 14039 to the DLN of the TC 150 (paper returns only),

IRM 25.25.6.2.1.5 - Added a new section for processing of MFT 32 programming error cases for RIVO case resolution - RIVO employees only.

(1) Due to the programming error that caused the TC 971 AC 111 transactions to go unpostable when attempting to move the identity theft return to the MFT 32 module, there were several accounts impacted for tax years 2021 and 2020. The taxpayer was successfully authenticated and did not file the return in question, therefore it was deemed identity theft. However, the unpostable TC 971 AC 111 transaction did not allow the return to post correctly on some cases. Employees followed procedures and marked the account as an identity theft determination.

To assist with identifying the impacted accounts, the account will show the following actions:

 The UNP 1260 will show it was closed with a URC 6 CCC 3 (some accounts will reflect the action below, but the UNP 1260 was not closed)

- The unpostable TC 971 AC 111 transaction (some accounts may show an open unpostable control to the originating employee UNP 1680 or UNP 1735 and some may show the control was closed)
- CC ENMOD/IMFOLE will show the Id theft marker TC 971 AC 506 with MISC field of either WI AM OTHER OR WI PRP OTHER1 for tax year in question
- Letter 4674C was issued
- AMS notes will indicate there was an identity theft determination and the
 actions taken (i.e. moved the identity theft return to MFT 32, UNP 1260
 closed with URC 6 & CCC 3 and TC 971 AC 111 input, Id theft marker TC
 571 AC 506, 4674C letter issued)

There are various scenarios employees may encounter on the account due to the timing of the unpostable TC 971 AC 111 transaction and posting of the TC 150 on MFT 30 or the TC 976 on MFT 32 modules. Employee must research IDRS, review AMS notes to assist with identifying the account was impacted by the TC 971 AC 111 programming error. RIVO will work cases off the designated listing and follow the chart below to resolve or refer accounts based on the scenario.

the chart below to resolve of	Telel accounts based	on the scenario.
lf	And	Then
The account shows the following actions The identity theft return posted as the TC 150 on MFT 30 but was backed out. The account will show a TC 290/291 Open/Closed control with RIVO IDRS 148xxxxxxx	No - A freeze is present on the year in question And No subsequent return is found for the year in question	Close all open RIVO controls and any non-RIVO unpostable controls related to the TC 971 AC 111 unpostable transaction (UNP 1680 or UNP 1735). Do not close any non-related case controls Close all RIVO control bases
The identity theft return posted as the TC 150 (verify the DLN of the UNP 126 and the TC 971 AC 111 MISC field match) The identity theft return to the TC 150 (verify the TC 150 (veri	IDT3) with or without a lost refund	
The account shows the following actions	No - A freeze is present on the year in question	For 2021 and 2020 accounts follow the procedures below to back out the return.
The identity theft return posted as the	And	Exception: For 2021 returns that

TC 150 (verify the DLN of the UNP 126 and the TC 971 AC 111 MISC field match)	No subsequent return is found for the year in question (Research IDRS for other returns, such as Unpostable 1260 with different DLN, TC 976 on MFT 30 or 1040X return)	claimed the Recovery Rebate Credit, the return cannot be backed out. Add a monitor control on the account with activity code "IDTRRC." • Follow IRM 25.25.4.5, Identity Theft Category 7 - Single Return/Deceased/X-REF - No Lost Refund Process or IRM 25.25.4.6, Identity Theft Category 7 - Single Return/Deceased/X-REF - Lost Refund Process • Close all open RIVO controls and any non- RIVO unpostable controls related to the TC 971 AC 111 unpostable transaction (UNP 1680 or UNP 1735).
The account shows the following actions • The identity theft return posted as the TC 150 (verify the DLN of the UNP 126 and the TC 971 AC 111 MISC field match)	MFT 32 module shows the identity theft return posted as a TC 976 (verify the DLN of the UNP 126 and the TC 971 AC 111 match the TC 976 on MFT 32 to ensure the identity theft return was moved).	On MFT 30, add a monitor control with activity code "UNPIDT150". This scenario correction is currently being tested and will be updated once testing is complete.
Account may show the following actions • A TC 150 is NOT posted, but the account shows, a CU 150 OR DJ 150 OR DP 150 with DLN of the identity theft return in	MFT 32 module shows the identity theft return posted as a TC 976 (verify the DLN of the UNP 126 and the TC 971 AC 111 match the TC 976 on MFT 32 to ensure the identity theft return was moved).	 For accounts with CU 150 place a monitor control with activity code "UNPIDT150" and monitor for the transaction to fall off the account. Once the transaction falls off, close the control base. For accounts with DJ 150 or DP 150, close all open RIVO controls and any non-RIVO unpostable controls related to the TC 971 AC 111 unpostable

question		transaction (UNP 1680 or UNP 1735).
A valid TC 150 posted to MFT 30 (verify the DLN does NOT match the identity theft return)	shows the identity theft return posted as a TC 976 (verify	Close all open RIVO controls and any non-RIVO unpostable controls related to the TC 971 AC 111 unpostable transaction (UNP 1680 or UNP 1735).

IRM 25.25.6.2.2 - Added additional reference for decedent accounts and verifying authorized representative.

- (1) Review the response to determine if it was submitted by the taxpayer identification number (TIN) owner. The Letter 5747C and the guidance provided by the telephone assistors advise the taxpayer to provide the following information when mailing in a response to the TPP letter:
 - The TPP letter
 - A copy of the return they filed (current year/prior year)
 - A copy of the return for a year prior to the one in question (if they filed one)
 - Any supporting documents for each return such as Forms W-2, Forms 1099, Schedule C, Schedule F, etc.
 - Documentation needed to authenticate their identity, see the Letter 5747C or the IRM 25.23.2.7.2.1, Returns Selected by Identity Theft Filters - Taxpayers Visiting the TAC
 - For decedent returns, see IRM 11.3.2.4.11, Deceased Individuals and IRM 3.13.5.32, Notice Concerning Fiduciary Relationship, then follow chart below.

(2) Follow the chart below:

IF	THEN
1	See IRM 25.25.6.2.2.1, Documentation
Documentation was received	Received, to complete research.
2	See IRM 25.25.6.2.2.2, Complete
The determination is made that the	Documentation Not Provided or Invalid,
documentation is incomplete/invalid or no	for required actions.
documentation was received	

IRM 25.25.6.2.2.1 - (1&4) - Added decedent account procedures for authentication and edited information on Unpostable 1260 not populating on TVT tool. Added exceptions for MFT 32 systemic inputs and updated Archived/deleted return research and how to identify a return meets criteria.

(1) The taxpayer has provided the required documentation, follow the chart below:

Reminder: To prevent delays, for any case with duplicate or multiple controls, case actions must be coordinated with the other control prior to taking any actions on the account.

Note: For TPP responses involving a prisoner, see box 6 or 7 below for procedures.



ACTION	DETERMINATION	THEN
1	The documentation is	Consider the identity authenticated
Review the	considered valid	and continue to paragraph 2
documentation to verify the requested documents were submitted and appear valid based on internal and/or external sources, as necessary, such as IDRS, Electronic Fraud Detection System		
(EFDS), Accurint, etc. Note: Documentation review along with account research must be completed and considered in order to make an identity determination.		
Requested Documentation:		

ACTION	DETERMINATION	THEN
The documentation provided cannot be verified or does not appear valid based on internal and/or external sources such as IDRS, EFDS, Accurint, etc for example: #	The documentation is not considered valid	Consider the identity not authenticated, see IRM 25.25.6.2.2.2, Complete Documentation Not Provided or Invalid

ACTION	DETERMINATION	THEN
#	The documentation is	Consider their identity authenticated and continue to paragraph 2
If the taxpayer submits documentation to verify their identity via fax due to TAC closures or due to COVID-19 reasons or restrictions, as instructed, verify the requested documents were submitted and appear valid based on internal and/or external sources, as necessary, such as IDRS,		Note: Prior to taking any action, all fax cases must be controlled on IDRS as follows: -Use received date of fax -Use activity code "TPPFAXMMDD" -Use "A" status for active case -Use TPP letter# as category code. (For pilot Letter 6330C use cat code "4883" & for Letter 6331C use cat code "5071".) Note: Field Assistance Employees
Electronic Fraud Detection System (EFDS), Accurint, etc. Reminder: Field Assistance employees will use applicable systems for research. Note: Documentation		Assigned Cases will reflect activity control "FATPPEFAX". - Additional case controls should not be opened if the case is already controlled. - Employees may need to reassign the case to their own IDRS# if not already assigned. - If case was previously resolved and all necessary actions were taken,
review along with account research, must be completed and considered in order to make an identity determination. Requested		close control with activity "PREVACTN" or if case must be returned to RIVO for a secondary issue, add AMS notes to specify the issue.
TPP letterAn unsigned copy of the		

ACTION	DETERMINATION	THEN
return they filed		113331
(current		
year/prior year)		
 An unsigned 		
copy of the		
return for a year		
prior to the one		
in question (if		
they filed one)		
Any supporting		
documents for		
each return such		
as Forms W-2, Forms 1099,		
Schedule C,		
Schedule C, Schedule F etc.		
The		
documentation		
needed to		
authenticate		
their identity,		
see IRM		
25.23.2.7.2.1 (3),		
Returns		
Selected by		
Identity Theft		
Filters -		
Taxpayers		
Visiting the TAC,		
for acceptable documentation.		
documentation.		
Exception: #		
Exception. #		

ACTION	DETERMINATION	THEN
#. Note: #		
The taxpayer submits documentation to verify their identity via fax due to TAC closures, and the documentation received is incomplete, cannot be verified, appears invalid or meets the Exception in box 3		Consider their identity not authenticated, see IRM 25.25.6.2.2.2, Complete Documentation Not Provided or Invalid
5 The taxpayer submits documentation to verify their identity via fax or mail due to TAC	TRDBV contains an MEF Form 1040X and a TC 971 AC 129 with MISC field NNNNNNNNNNNNN	Follow IRM 25.25.6.5.1.2.6, Taxpayer Filed MeF Form 1040X and the Account Contains an Unreversed Taxpayer Protection Program

ACTION	DETERMINATION	THEN
closures or restrictions and their identity can be authenticated	N 1040X is on the tax	
#	#	#
#	#	#
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ACTION	DETERMINATION		THEN
		#	
9 For decedent accounts, if the authorized representative's name is present on CC ENMOD	The TPP documentation was received	•	Consider their identity authenticated and continue to paragraph 2
For decedent accounts, if the authorized representative's name is not present on CC ENMOD See IRM 11.3.2.4.11, Deceased Individuals and IRM 3.13.5.32, Notice Concerning Fiduciary Relationship, for a list of acceptable documentation for authorized representatives.	representative was incomplete or not received BUT TPP documentation was complete	•	# For incomplete or missing documentation for verification of the authorized representative, issue Letter 135C, Proper Authorization Needed to Furnish Information, and request documentation per IRMs in IF section. Verify the address to ensure the letter goes to the representative, but do not change the address on the account.

- (2) Due to data breaches and account takeovers, all Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) returns filed by the taxpayer identification number (TIN) owner must be verified to ensure the information has not been changed without their permission. Confirm the return in question is the taxpayer's return by comparing the return on IDRS with the return provided by the taxpayer:
 - The address as it appears on the return

Reminder: No address will appear on the return on command code (CC) TRDBV if the return is paper filed and contains the same address as CC ENMOD at the time the return was received.

• The refund amount as it is shown on their return (The taxpayer must provide the refund amount from the appropriate refund line on the actual tax form they filed. They cannot provide an amount that was provided by the preparer or

- from a preparer's summary page since that figure may be less due to charges the preparer is deducting from the refund.)
- The refund type, a paper check to their address or a direct deposit to their bank account
- If the refund is a direct deposit, compare the routing number for the bank and the bank account number (current year return only)

Reminder: If CC TRDBV or MEF RRD indicates the refund is a Refund Anticipation Loan (RAL) (indicator "1") or Refund Anticipation Check (RAC) (indicator "2"), or if the taxpayer is receiving their refund via a refund transfer product such as a debit card, see Exhibit 21.4.1-2, Most Common Banks That Offer Refund Transfer Products (RAC/RAL), to verify the routing transit number (RTN).

- For balance due returns, review the following:
 - -Balance due amount on IDRS matches the return.
 - -Were estimated tax payments made? If yes, amount or total match?
 - -Credit elect? If yes, amount or total match?
- (3) Once the information has been reviewed, follow the chart below:

IF	THEN
The return information provided matches the information on the return received by the IRS (including RAL or RAC direct deposits)	Continue to paragraph 4 below
The bank routing number or account number provided do not match the information on the return received by the IRS (Excluding RAL or RAC refunds.)	 Input a transaction code (TC) 971 action code (AC) 850 (on current or two prior tax year returns) to flip the direct deposit to a paper check to be mailed to the taxpayer's address on the return Continue to paragraph 4 below
3 The return provided is an amended return or a Form 1040X	See IRM 25.25.6.2.2.1.1, Taxpayer Authenticated and Included a Form 1040X with the Response
4 None of the return information provided matches the return received by the IRS	Treat the return as identity theft, see IRM 25.25.6.2.1, The Taxpayer is Claiming Identity Theft (Letter Reply Procedures)

(4) Follow the chart below for the required account resolution:

IF	THEN
1	Resolve the UP 126 RC "0", see IRM
The taxpayer's return is unpostable (UP)	25.25.6.5.1.1, The Taxpayer's Return is

IF	THEN
126 reason code (RC) "0".	Unpostable 126 Reason Code "0".
120 reason code (RC) 0 .	Disregard instructions stating to advise the
Note: If the LIP 1260 does not populate	
Note: If the UP 1260 does not populate	taxpayer.
on TVT tool, then the unpostable	Note: If the taypayor has included an
condition cannot be closed using	Note: If the taxpayer has included an
the TVT tool. The UP 126 RC "0" must	amended return or a Form
be resolved manually on IDRS.	1040X, Amended U.S. Individual Income
	Tax Return, see IRM 25.25.6.2.2.1.1,
	Taxpayer Authenticated and Included a
	Form 1040X with the Response.
	If the taxpayer has attached a copy
	of their original return containing an
	original signature under the jurat
	statement, edit the return as follows:
	◆ Use an RIVO stamp or edit "RIVO"
	in the upper left-hand corner of the
	return
	♦ Edit special processing code
	(SPC) "B"
	♦ Edit the received date on the
	return (if not already present)
	◆ Route the entire return and the
	envelope for processing, see IRM
	3.10.73.6 (12), Batching
	Unnumbered Returns and
	Documents, for additional editing
	and routing guidance. (Unsigned
	copies can be destroyed as
	classified waste.)
	Document the authentication results
	in AMS as appropriate, see IRM
	21.2.2.4.5, Account Management
	Services (AMS). Select the
	appropriate issue, see Exhibit
	25.25.6-7, Account Management
	Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer
	Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries.
	Input/update EFDS notes as
	appropriate.
	Destroy the notice or letter as
	classified waste.
	Close the RIVO correspondence
	control base with an activity field of
	"NONIDTRTN".
2	Resolve the account using the procedures

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971 AC 129 (the taxpayer's return may	in IRM 25.25.6.5.1.2, The Taxpayer's Return is Posted and the Account Contains Unreversed TPP indicators such as a TC 971 AC 129. Disregard instructions stating to advise the taxpayer. Note: If the taxpayer has included an amended return or a Form 1040X, Amended U.S. Individual Income Tax Return, see IRM 25.25.6.2.2.1.1, Taxpayer Authenticated and Included a Form 1040X with the Response. If the taxpayer has attached a copy of their original return containing an original signature under the jurat statement, edit the return as follows: Use an RIVO stamp or edit "RIVO" in the upper left-hand corner of the return Edit SPC "B" Edit the received date on the return (if not already present) Route the entire return and envelope for processing, see IRM 3.10.73.6 (12), Batching Unnumbered Returns and Documents, for additional editing and routing guidance. (Unsigned copies can be destroyed as classified waste.) Document the authentication results in AMS as appropriate, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries. Input/update EFDS notes as appropriate.

IF	THEN
3 The taxpayer's return was deemed identity theft and is showing as an "OPEN" UP 126 RC "0" on CC UPTIN/UPDIS	Resolve the account using the procedures in IRM 25.25.6.5.5.1, The Taxpayer's Return was Resolved as Identity Theft, Quality Review Time Frame Not Passed. Disregard instructions stating to advise the taxpayer.
	Note: If the taxpayer has included an amended return or a Form 1040X, Amended U.S. Individual Income Tax Return, see IRM 25.25.6.2.2.1.1, Taxpayer Authenticated and Included a Form 1040X with the Response.
	 If the taxpayer has attached a copy of their original return containing an original signature under the jurat statement, edit the return as follows: ◆ Use an RIVO stamp or edit "RIVO" in the upper left-hand corner of the return ◆ Edit SPC "B" ◆ Edit the received date on the return (if not already present) ◆ Route the entire return and envelope for processing, see IRM 3.10.73.6 (12), Batching Unnumbered Returns and Documents, for additional editing and routing guidance. (Unsigned copies can be destroyed as classified waste.) ◆ Document the authentication results in AMS as appropriate, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries. ◆ Input/update EFDS notes as appropriate. ◆ Destroy the notice or letter as classified waste. ◆ Close the RIVO correspondence

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4 The taxpayer's return information has been reversed on MFT 30	Resolve the account using the procedures in IRM 25.25.6.5.5.2, The Taxpayer's Return Information has been Reversed on MFT 30. Disregard instructions stating to advise the taxpayer.
	Note: If the return is a barred statute refer to the Barred Quick Assessment Referral Guide
	Note: If the taxpayer has included an amended return or a Form 1040X, Amended U.S. Individual Income Tax Return, see IRM 25.25.6.2.2.1.1, Taxpayer Authenticated and Included a Form 1040X with the Response.
	 If the taxpayer has attached a copy of their original return containing an original signature under the jurat statement, edit the return as follows: Use an RIVO stamp or edit "RIVO" in the upper left-hand corner of the return Edit SPC "B" Edit the received date on the return (if not already present) Route the entire return and envelope for processing, see IRM 3.10.73.6 (12), Batching Unnumbered Returns and Documents, for additional editing and routing guidance. (Unsigned copies can be destroyed as classified waste.) Document the authentication results in AMS as appropriate, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS), select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries. Input/update EFDS notes as

IF	THEN
	Destroy the notice or letter as classified waste.
	Close the RIVO correspondence
	control base with an activity field of
	"NONIDTRTN".
5	Resolve the account using the procedures
The return has been moved to MFT 32	in IRM 25.25.6.7.1.2, Return Integrity
and doesn't meet the exceptions listed	Verification Operations (RIVO) Employees
below.	MFT 32 Reversal Inquiries & Resolution
Follow block 6 below, if the return cannot be moved back from MFT 32	Actions.
systemically.	Note: If the taxpayer has included an
Systemically.	amended return or a Form
Exception: If the return meets any of	1040X, Amended U.S. Individual Income
the criteria below, the return cannot be	Tax Return, see IRM 25.25.6.2.2.1.1,
moved systemically and must be	Taxpayer Authenticated and Included a
reprocessed manually.	Form 1040X with the Response.
◆The return is for tax year 2019 or prior	
The return is for the preceding tax year	If the taxpayer has attached a copy
(2020) and is being moved after cycle 202247 (Beginning in cycle 202247,	of their original return containing an
returns for tax year 2020 or prior can no	original signature under the jurat statement, edit the return as follows:
longer be moved to MFT 32. If action is	◆ Use an RIVO stamp or edit "RIVO"
taken to move the return to MFT 32 on	in the upper left-hand corner of the
or after cycle 202247, this will cause an	return
unpostable to generate and be	♦ Edit SPC "B"
reassigned to the employee for	♦ Edit the received date on the
corrective action.)	return (if not already present)
♦TC 971 AC 111 is present on MFT 32 for the same return (same document	♦ Route the return and envelope for
locator number (DLN) in the MISC field	processing, see IRM 3.10.73.6 (12), Batching Unnumbered Returns and
of the TC 971 AC 111) and the return did	
not post to MFT 30	and routing guidance. (Unsigned
♦The account has been resequenced or	copies can be destroyed as
merged in the current or prior processing	classified waste.)
year	Document the authentication results
A TC 971 AC 111 is unpostable (UP)	in AMS as appropriate, see IRM
168 reason code (RC) on MFT 32 ◆The account contains an invalid name	21.2.2.4.5, Account Management
control issue (entity mismatch)	Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit
Control 13546 (office) finantiation)	25.25.6-7, Account Management
	Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer
	Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries.
	 Input/update EFDS notes as
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appropriate.Destroy the notice or letter as

IF	THEN
	classified waste. Close the RIVO correspondence control base with an activity field of "NONIDTRTN".
The return has been archived/deleted: The return was never processed and is not posted to MFT 30 as a TC 150 or on MFT 32 as a TC 976 AND CC TRDBV "CODES" screen shows it was unpostable (UP) 126 reason code (RC) "0" and may not be viewable on CC UPTIN	Note: If the taxpayer has included an amended return or a Form 1040X, Amended U.S. Individual Income Tax Return, see IRM 25.25.6.2.2.1.1, Taxpayer Authenticated and Included a Form 1040X with the Response. If the taxpayer has attached a copy of their original return containing an original signature under the jurat statement, edit the return as follows: Use an RIVO stamp or edit "RIVO" in the upper left-hand corner of the return Edit SPC "B" Edit the received date on the return (if not already present) Route the entire return and envelope for processing, see IRM 3.10.73.6 (12), Batching Unnumbered Returns and Documents, for additional editing and routing guidance. (Unsigned copies can be destroyed as classified waste.) Document the authentication results in AMS as appropriate, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries. Input/update EFDS notes as appropriate. Destroy the notice or letter as classified waste. Close the RIVO correspondence control base with an activity field of "NONIDTRTN". If the taxpayer did not attach a copy of the return, resolve the account

IF	THEN
	using the procedures in IRM 25.25.6.8, Archived - Deleted Returns or Failed Systemic MFT 32 Reversals - RIVO and Non-RIVO Employees

IRM 25.25.6.2.2.1.1 - Clarified moving returns from MFT 32 have to be reprocessed manually if they meet criteria.

(1) The identity of the filer was authenticated as the taxpayer and a Form 1040X, *Amended U.S. Individual Income Tax Return*, or an amended return is attached to the response. Follow the procedures in the chart below:

IF	THEN
1	Resolve the account using the following procedures:
The taxpayer's return is	
unpostable (UP) 126 reason code (RC) "0".	 Manually close the unpostable using command code (CC) UPRES with a unpostable resolution code (URC) "6" and a computer condition code (CCC) "1" to freeze the refund. Include in the Remarks "TPFILEDF1040X". NOTE: If there is an Integrated Data Retrieval System (IDRS) error message, "Existing CCC 3", post the return using CC UPRES with URC "0" and include in the remarks "EXISTING CCC 3". Exception: If the taxpayer identification number (TIN) used on the return is not the TIN for the taxpayer (taxpayer or return preparer input error) (this includes returns filed with a new social security number (SSN) and there is a return for the same tax year under the Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) - use the ITIN as the correct TIN), take the following action: Close the unpostable with a URC "6" and a CCC "1", correct the TIN when resolving the UP 126 RC "0" by inputting the correct TIN on the CC UPRES screen. (TIN corrections are input in field 29 of line five of the CC UPRES screen, see Command Code UPRES Job Aid.) If the correct TIN does not have an entity established (first time filer), use URC "6B". If the account contains an unreversed

IF	THEN
	or a TC 971 AC 124 (the document locator number (DLN) in the MISC field of the TC 971 AC 124 matches the DLN of the return in question), input a TC 972 AC 121 or TC 972 AC 124, see Exhibit 25.25.6-6, Transaction Code (TC) 972 Action Code (AC) 121, Action Code (AC) 124, or Action Code (AC) 129 Input Screen.
	Exception: If the account is a "first time filer" account and the entity has not been established; CC REQ77 cannot be initiated therefore a TC 971 or TC 972 cannot be input due to the entity not being established.
	 If the account contains an unreversed TC 971 AC 129, input a TC 972 AC 129, see Exhibit 25.25.6-6, Transaction Code (TC) 972 Action Code (AC) 121, Action Code (AC) 124, or Action Code (AC) 129 Input Screen. Input a TC 971 AC 850 (on current or two prior tax year returns) and post delay the unpostable resolution by one cycle if the taxpayer requested a direct deposit and any of the following exist: ↑The taxpayer is in a disaster area and did not pass high risk authentication (HRA) ↑The routing/bank account number provided by the taxpayer does not match the return received by the IRS (Excluding Refund Anticipation Loan (RAL) or Refund Anticipation Check (RAC) refunds) ◆The account contains a TC 971 AC 123 with "STEP-UP AUTH" in the MISC field ◆The account contains a TC 971 AC 125 and the DLN in the MISC field matches the DLN of the return
	Note: A TC 971 AC 850 cannot be input on an account that has not been established. Advise the taxpayer that the refund will be direct deposited as requested. If the direct deposit information was input incorrectly by the taxpayer, advise the taxpayer to contact the financial institution.
	Note: If the taxpayer states that their address has changed, input the address change using

IF	THEN
	the IAT tool, see IRM 3.13.5.29, Oral Statement /Telephone Contact Address Change Requirements, add AMS notes indicating an address change was input.
	Take the following additional actions to route the amended return/Form 1040X as appropriate:
	• If there is no identity theft marker (TC 971 AC 501 or TC 971 AC 506) for any tax period on CC ENMOD, route the amended return or Form 1040X and envelope to the Submission Processing (SP) Batching Function per Exhibit 3.10.72-11, Submission Processing Center Contacts (Batching Function). Prior to sending the return to SP, take the following actions: • Edit the RIVO stamp or "RIVO REV" in the upper left margin of the return Edit the return received date, if not already present • Update the return in Scheme Tracking and Referral System (STARS) to disposition CAT "5" "CL" • Destroy the TPP letter as classified waste • Close the RIVO correspondence control base with an activity field of "1040X2SP" • If there is an identity theft marker (TC 971 AC 501 or TC 971 AC 506) for any tax period, AND the amended return/Form 1040X can be verified within RIVO tolerance, fax the amended return or Form 1040X and envelope to the Image Control Team (ICT) using the RICS IVO AR Adjustment Request Form and include the verified income/withholding information on the routing form. If the income/withholding is not an exact match but is verified within RIVO tolerance, add a statement in the additional information field of the AR Adjustment Request Form that the return was verified within RIVO tolerance. Prior to sending the return to ICT, take the following actions: • Edit the RIVO stamp or "RIVO REV" and "IDT" in the upper left margin of the return Edit the return received date, if not already present • Update the return in STARS to disposition CAT "5" "CL"

IF	THEN
	 Destroy the Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) letter as classified waste Close the RIVO correspondence control base with an activity field of "1040X2AM" If there IS an identity theft marker for any tax period AND the amended return/Form 1040X CANNOT be verified within RIVO tolerance, fax the amended return or Form 1040X and envelope to the Image Control Team (ICT) using the RICS IVO AR Adjustment Request Form. If the income/withholding is not verified within RIVO tolerance, add a statement in the additional information field of the AR Adjustment Request Form. Prior to sending the return to ICT, take the following actions: Edit the return received date, if not already present
	 ◆ Destroy the Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) letter as classified waste ◆ Close the RIVO correspondence control base with an activity field of "1040X2AM" ◆ Do not update the return in STARS. ◆ When all actions are complete, document the authentication results in AMS as appropriate, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries.
The taxpayer's return is posted and the account contains an unreversed TC 971 AC 129.	 Input a TC 972 AC 129, see Exhibit 25.25.6-6, Transaction Code (TC) 972 Action Code (AC) 121, Action Code (AC) 124, or Action Code (AC) 129 Input Screen, and input a control base with the following information (if not already present): C#,NONIDT,M,MISC 1487333333,* If the account contains an unreversed TC 971 AC 121 or a TC 971 AC 124 (the DLN in the MISC field of the TC 971 AC 124 matches the DLN of the return in question), input a TC 972 AC 121 or TC 972 AC 124, see Exhibit 25.25.6-6, Transaction Code (TC) 972 Action Code (AC) 121, Action Code (AC) 124, or Action Code (AC) 129 Input Screen.

IF	THEN
	 Input a TC 971 AC 850 (on current or two prior tax year returns) if the taxpayer requested a direct deposit and any of the following exist: ◆ The routing/bank account number provided by the taxpayer does not match the return received by the IRS (Excluding RAL or RAC refunds) ◆ The account contains a TC 971 AC 123 with "STEP-UP AUTH" in the MISC field ◆ The account contains a TC 971 AC 125 and the DLN in the MISC field matches the DLN of the return
	Note: A TC 971 AC 850 cannot be input on an account that has not been established. Advise the taxpayer that the refund will be direct deposited as requested. If the direct deposit information was input incorrectly by the taxpayer, advise the taxpayer to contact the financial institution.
	Note: If the taxpayer states that their address has changed, input the address change using the IAT tool, see IRM 3.13.5.29, Oral Statement /Telephone Contact Address Change Requirements, a dd AMS notes indicating an address change was input. Take the following additional actions to route the amended return/Form 1040X as appropriate:
	If there is no identity theft marker (TC 971 AC 501 or TC 971 AC 506) for any tax period on CC ENMOD, route the amended return or Form 1040X and envelope to the SP Batching Function per Exhibit 3.10.72-11, Submission Processing Center Contacts (Batching Function). Prior to sending the return to SP, take the following actions: ◆ Edit the RIVO stamp or "RIVO REV" in the upper left margin of the return Edit the return received date, if not already
	present ◆ Update the return in STARS to disposition CAT "5" "CL" ◆ Destroy the TPP letter as classified waste ◆ Close the RIVO correspondence control base with an activity field of "1040X2SP" • If there is an identity theft marker (TC 971 AC

501 or TC 971 AC 506) for any tax period, AND the amended return/Form 1040\() can be verified within RIVO tolerance, fax the amended return or Form 1040\() and enveloped the ICT using the RICS IVO AR Adjustment Request Form and include the verified income/withholding information on the routing form. If the income/withholding is not an exact match but is verified within RIVO tolerance, a a statement in the additional information field the AR Adjustment Request Form that the ret was verified within RIVO tolerance. Prior to sending the return to ICT, take the following actions: ◆ Edit the RIVO stamp or "RIVO REV" and "II in the upper left margin of the return Edit the return received date, if not already present ◆ Update the return in STARS to disposition	
period, AND the amended return/Form 10400 can be verified within RIVO tolerance, fax the amended return or Form 1040X and enveloped the ICT using the RICS IVO AR Adjustment Request Form and include the verified income/withholding information on the routing form. If the income/withholding is not an exact match but is verified within RIVO tolerance, as a statement in the additional information field the AR Adjustment Request Form that the return was verified within RIVO tolerance. Prior to sending the return to ICT, take the following actions: • Edit the RIVO stamp or "RIVO REV" and "II in the upper left margin of the return Edit the return received date, if not already present • Update the return in STARS to disposition	
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tolerance, fax the amended return or Form	
1040X and envelope to the Image Control Te	am
(ICT) using the RICS IVO AR Adjustment	
Request Form. If the income/withholding is no	ot
verified within RIVO tolerance, add a stateme	
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present	
◆ Destroy the Taxpayer Protection Program	
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Do not update the return in STARS.	
When all actions are complete, document the	
authentication results in AMS as appropriate,	
see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management	
Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue	

IF	THEN
	see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries.
The taxpayer's return is on MFT 32. Note: If the return cannot be moved back from MFT 32 systemically, and the return has to be sent to be reprocessed manually, see block 4 below.	 Initiate the MFT 32 reversal using the procedures in IRM 25.25.6.7.1.2, Return Integrity Verification Operations (RIVO) Employees MFT 32 Reversal Inquiries & Resolution Actions. Note: Do not input the control base for the MFT32 reversal. Monitor the account for the return to post to MFT 30. When the return has posted to MFT 30, take the following additional actions to route the amended return/Form 1040X as appropriate: If there is no identity theft marker (TC 971 AC 501 or TC 971 AC 506) for any tax period on CC ENMOD, route the amended return or Form 1040X and envelope to the SP Batching Function per Exhibit 3.10.72-11, Submission Processing Center Contacts (Batching Function). Prior to sending the return to SP, take the following actions: Edit the RIVO stamp or "RIVO REV" in the upper left margin of the return Edit the return received date, if not already present Update the return in STARS to disposition CAT "5" "CL" Destroy the TPP letter as classified waste Close the RIVO correspondence control base with an activity field of "1040X2SP" If there is an identity theft marker (TC 971 AC 501 or TC 971 AC 506) for any tax period, AND the amended return/Form 1040X can be verified within RIVO tolerance, fax the amended return or Form 1040X and envelope to the ICT using the RICS IVO AR Adjustment Request Form and include the verified income/withholding is not an exact match but is verified within RIVO tolerance, add a statement in the additional information field of the AR Adjustment Request Form that the return

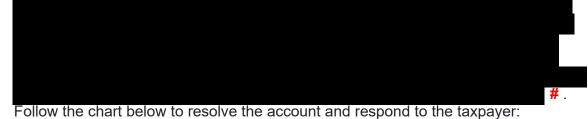
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	 Destroy the Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) letter as classified waste Close the RIVO correspondence control base with an activity field of "1040X2AM" Do not update the return in STARS. When all actions are complete, document authentication results in AMS as appropriate, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries. 		
The taxpayer's return has been archived or deleted (The return was never processed and is not posted to MFT 30 as a TC 150 or on MFT 32 as a TC 976).	Follow the procedures in IRM 25.25.6.8, Archived - Deleted Returns or Failed Systemic MFT 32 Reversals - RIVO and Non-RIVO Employees, to obtain the return and send it for reprocessing. Monitor the account for the return to post to MFT 30.		

IF	THEN	
	When the return has posted to MFT 30, take the following additional actions to route the amended return/Form 1040X as appropriate:	
	 If there is no identity theft marker (TC 971 AC 501 or TC 971 AC 506) for any tax period on CC ENMOD, route the amended return or Form 1040X and envelope to the SP Batching Function per Exhibit 3.10.72-11, Submission Processing Center Contacts (Batching Function). Prior to sending the return to SP, take the following actions: Edit the RIVO stamp or "RIVO REV" in the upper left margin of the return Edit the return received date, if not already present Update the return in STARS to disposition CAT "5" "CL" Destroy the TPP letter as classified waste 	
	 ♦ Close the RIVO correspondence control base with an activity field of "1040X2SP" • If there is an identity theft marker (TC 971 AC 501 or TC 971 AC 506) for any tax period, AND the amended return/Form 1040X 	
	can be verified within RIVO tolerance, fax the amended return or Form 1040X and envelope to the ICT using the RICS IVO AR Adjustment Request Form and include the verified income/withholding information on the routing form. If the income/withholding is not an exact match but is verified within RIVO tolerance, add a statement in the additional information field of	
	the AR Adjustment Request Form that the return was verified within RIVO tolerance. Prior to sending the return to ICT, take the following actions: ◆ Edit the RIVO stamp or "RIVO REV" and "IDT"	
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	CAT "5" "CL" ◆ Destroy the TPP letter as classified waste ◆ Close the RIVO correspondence control base with an activity field of "1040X2AM" • If there IS an identity theft marker for any tax	
	period AND the amended return/Form	

IF	THEN
	1040X CANNOT be verified within RIVO tolerance, fax the amended return or Form 1040X and envelope to the Image Control Team (ICT) using the RICS IVO AR Adjustment Request Form. If the income/withholding is not verified within RIVO tolerance, add a statement in the additional information field of the AR Adjustment Request Form. • Prior to sending the return to ICT, take the following actions: •Edit the return received date, if not already present • Destroy the Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) letter as classified waste • Close the RIVO correspondence control base with an activity field of "1040X2AM". • Do not update the return in STARS. • When all actions are complete, document the authentication results in AMS as appropriate, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries.

IRM 25.25.6.2.2.2 - Added decedent return instructions for authorized party verification and TPP authentication.

(1) The taxpayer has not provided any or all of the recommended or requested documentation and an identity determination **cannot** be made based on the information provided or through research. #



IF	AND	THEN
1	Their response	Issue the Letter 6167C, <i>Identity</i>
AMS notes do not indicate	contained	Authentication Incomplete, with
the taxpayer contacted the	insufficient	an open paragraph (use an (*)

IF	AND	THEN
IRS by phone or in	documentation to authenticate	to insert the open paragraph) advising their identity could not be authenticated based on the information provided and include the following in the letter: - Include paragraph "D" and an open paragraph - Use return address code "TP" - Specify which supporting document was missing or unacceptable • Close the RIVO control base with an activity field of "6167C2TP". • Document authentication results in AMS as appropriate, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries. • Destroy the response as classified waste, including any signed or unsigned returns.
The response or AMS notes indicate the taxpayer previously contacted the IRS and failed authentication and was advised to fax or mail in their response	Their response contained insufficient documentation to authenticate	 Issue the Letter 6167C, Identity Authentication Incomplete, with an open paragraph (use an (*) to insert the open paragraph) advising their identity could not be authenticated based on the information provided and include the following in the letter: Include paragraph "D" Specify which supporting document was missing or unacceptable in the open paragraph. Use return address code "TP" Use Form 3699, Return of Documents to Taxpayer, to return original documents. Document authentication

IF	AND	THEN
		results in AMS as appropriate,
		see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account
		Management Services (AMS).
		Select the appropriate issue,
		see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account
		Management Services (AMS)
		Issues for Taxpayer Protection
		Program (TPP) Inquiries
		Close your control base.
3	n/a	Issue the Letter 6167C, Identity
		Authentication Incomplete, with
If the taxpayer submits		an open paragraph (use an (*)
documentation to verify		to insert the open paragraph)
their identity via fax or mail		advising their identity could not
due to TAC closures or		be authenticated based on the
due to COVID-19 reasons		information provided and
or restrictions, as		include the following in the
instructed,		letter:
inoti dotod,		- Include paragraph "D" and an
And		open paragraph
		- Use return address code "TP"
the documentation		-Specify what supporting
received is incomplete or		documentation was missing or
cannot be verified or		unacceptable
appears invalid based on		-Request the documentation be
internal and/or external		submitted through our fax
		number # # .
sources, as necessary,		fluffiber #
such as IDRS, Electronic		
Fraud Detection System		Note: fax cases must be controlled on
(EFDS), Accurint, etc.		IDRS as follows:
		-Use received date of fax
Note: Field Assistance		-Use activity code "TPPFAXMMDD"
employees will use		-Use "A" status for active case
applicable systems for		-Use TPP letter# as category code.
research.		(For pilot Letter 6330C use cat code
		"4883" & for Letter 6331C use cat code
		"5071".)
		Field Assistance cases will have
		activity control "FATPPEFAX".
		Additional case controls should not be
		opened if the case is already
		controlled. Employees may need to
		reassign the case to their own IDRS# if
		not already assigned.
		Once the letter is issued,

IF	AND	THEN
		update activity code to "6167C2TP" and close your control base with "C". • Document authentication results in AMS as appropriate, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). AMS notes should include the specific reason (i.e. missing ID or fax was unreadable) the taxpayer could not be authenticated. Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries.
The taxpayer's fax or mail case meets the exception below, but AMS notes are not updated. Exception: #	n/a	Reissue Letter 5747C, Potential Identity Theft during Original Processing - TAC AUTH ONLY, issued on accounts with a TC 971 AC 123 with "TAC AUTH ONLY" in the MISC field or "HIGH RISK AUTH" (5747SP - Spanish version). The letter comes with the online verification option that instructs the taxpayer to use the ID Verify website at www.idverify.irs.gov to authenticate their identity and also provides the option to visit their local Taxpayer Assistance Center (TAC) for in-person visits.
#		Use return address code "TP"
The response or AMS notes indicate the taxpayer contacted the TPP toll-free line, failed authentication, was	n/a	Send the Letter 5216, Taxpayer Cannot Authenticate, to the address on the return, see Exhibit 25.25.6-1, Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Repeater Letter 5216 -

IF	AND	THEN
referred to the TAC and failed authentication at the TAC.		 Taxpayer Cannot Authenticate. Use return address code "TP" Close the RIVO control base with an activity field of "FAILEDAUTH". Document authentication results in AMS as appropriate, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries. Destroy the response as classified waste, including any signed or unsigned returns.
For decedent accounts, if the authorized representative's name is not present on CC ENMOD	The required authorized representative documentation and the TPP documentation is incomplete or was not received	 Issue Letter 135C, Proper Authorization Needed to Furnish Information, and request the missing documentation Add AMS notes to confirm what documentation was received and what document is still required to complete the process. We cannot authenticate until the authorized representative provides the documentation as requested and we have sufficient documentation to complete TPP authentication

IRM 25.25.6.2.3 - Updated section title and procedures for compliance offices and referring cases with TPP involvement, changed method of referral, and added fax options.

Exam/Collection/Compliance Office Employees - Procedures for Cases with Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Involvement

(1) Exam/Collection/Compliance employees may identify a return with Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) involvement in the course of their duties. The account will

contain TPP markers on CC IMFOLT or CC TXMOD. An inquiry may need to be referred to Return Integrity Verification (RIVO) team for resolution when one or more of the TPP markers and conditions are present:

- The account contains unresolved TPP indicators (unreversed TC 971 AC 121/124 with MISC field showing DLN of associated UNP 1260 return)
- The taxpayer's return is unpostable (UP) 126 reason code (RC) "0"
- The account contains an unreversed TPP indicator TC 971 AC 129 and the refund is held with a -R freeze.
- The return has been moved to MFT 32 in the TPP process (the return may or may not be the taxpayer identification number (TIN) owner's valid return)
- The return was Archived/Deleted (Account will show an UP 126 "0" on CC TRDBV "CODES" screen and is **not** posted to MFT 30 as a TC 150 or MFT 32 as a TC 976.)

If the TPP markers above ar present, the taxpayer must be authenticated by the employee. See IRM 25.25.6.4, (8) Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) - High Risk Authentication (HRA) Procedures, for manual TPP High Risk Authentication questions and IRM 25.25.6.5.1, (2) Authentication Passed and the Taxpayer Filed the Return in Question, to verify the return was filed by the taxpayer.

(2) If the employee has authenticated the taxpayer, take the following actions to refer the case to RIVO for resolution:

IF	THEN
1	The employee will submit a Form 4442, Inquiry
The return is on MFT 32 or	Referral, and fax number # # with the
shows it was Archived/Deleted	following information:
on CC TRDBV	♦ If unable to fax the request, route information to RIVO:
Note: An Archived/Deleted means the return was never	Internal Revenue Service, Stop 6579 AUSC, 3651 S IH 35, Austin, TX 73301
processed and is not posted to	♦ Include the DLN of the return in question. Make
MFT 30 as a TC 150 or moved	sure and verify the DLN number if there is more
to MFT 32 as a TC 976	than one return.
	MFT 32 returns - DLN is the TC 976 DLN on CC IMFOLT or TXMODA
	Archived /Deleted returns - CC TRDBV "STAT-
	HIST" summary page has the DLN)
	♦ Add remarks - TP has been authenticated by the
	employee
	♦ Additional comments - The return on MFT 32 is the TP's valid return. Please take appropriate actions to resolve the account and process TP's

IF	THEN
	return.
	Note: Follow procedures below depending on the year of the tax return in question.
	 ◆ For 2021 or 2020 ELF/MeF or paper filed returns, the return can be moved systemically and does not have to be reprocessed. Do not include a copy of the return, unless it differs from the return on MFT 32 or that was ◆ For 2019 and prior year ELF/MeF electronic returns or paper filed returns must be reprocessed and sent to SP for posting. The fastest option is to obtain a copy from the taxpayer. If the taxpayer provides a copy of the tax return, forward it with the Form 4442. If unable to obtain a copy from the taxpayer, include it in the Remarks section of the Form 4442. RIVO will order the return and if not received, will complete a dummy return using information on CC TRDBV/RTVUE. ◆For expedite cases (i.e. statute imminent), write "Expedite" at the top of the referral and add the reason for the expedite request in the Remarks section.
	◆For tax returns sent to SP for processing, RIVO will open a monitor control on CC TXMOD with activity code that includes RTP-MMDD which means" Return to Process" and MMDD equals the month and day it was sent to SP.
	Note: Once the return is sent to be reprocessed, the TPP issue has been resolved and RIVO no longer has the case. Any follow up inquiries must be made to the Submission Processing area the return is located in. Due to continued backlog delays, returns are taking longer than normal to be posted. **If the case is an expedite request contact SP.
2 The return is UP 126 RC "0" with a TC 971 AC 121 or TC 971 AC 124	The employee will initiate a Form 4442, <i>Inquiry Referral</i> , to RIVO to resolve the unpostable condition. The following remarks must be included on the Form 4442: The taxpayer has been authenticated
The return is posted and	and
	♦ The return is the taxpayer's valid return

IF	THEN
AC 129 with a -R freeze holding	♦ For accounts showing open Unpostable 1260, fax
the refund	Form 4442 to fax number #
	♦ If unable to fax the request, route information to
	RIVO at:
	Internal Revenue Service, Stop 6579 AUSC, 3651 S
	IH 35, Austin, TX 73301

(3) Upon receipt of the Form 4442, RIVO will review the account for TPP involvement and take the following actions:

IF	THEN
1	Return the Form 4442 and attachments to the
The issue on the account is not	sender stating there is no TPP involvement
the result of the TPP process	
2	Open a control base on the account to RIVO for
The issue on the account is due	resolution
to the TPP process	

(4) Once controlled, take the following actions to resolve the account:

Note: Expedite requests will have "Expedite Request" at the top of the referral.

Please treat the cases as priority as some may be Statute imminent.

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IF	THEN	
The return that is UP 126 RC "0" is the taxpayer's return. The return on MFT	Resolve UP 126 RC "0", see IRM 25.25.6.2.2, The Taxpayer Filed the Return in Question (Letter Reply Procedures). • Use an RIVO stamp or hand write "RIVO" on the return in the upper left-hand corner.	
32 matches the return received from the employee.	Edit special processing code (SPC) "B" on the return	
	 Note: If the Assessment Statute Expiration Date (ASED) is imminent (within 90 days) or has expired, see IRM 25.25.6.9, RIVO Statute Procedures for TPP Returns. If the taxpayer is not a victim of identity theft for the year in question, and a TC 971 AC 506 is present on CC ENMOD, input a TC 972 AC 506 with MISC field "WI IVO IRSERR", see Exhibit 25.23.2-9, IMF Only TC 972 	

IF	THEN
	 AC 506 Tax-Related, Reversal of Identity Theft Case Closure, IRS Identified. If the return is in the Scheme Tracking and Referral System (STARS), update the return disposition to "DL" and add a note in STARS stating the reason the return is being deleted, see Exhibit 25.25.13-1, STARS Delete Reasons. Document authentication results in AMS as appropriate, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries. Close the RIVO control base with an activity field of "RTN2PROC". Open a monitor control base CXX,RTP-MMDD,M,32RV (MMDD is the month and day you are sending the return to SP) 1487355555,*
The return on MFT 32 does not match the return received from the employee.	 Use an RIVO stamp or hand write "RIVO" on the return in the upper left-hand corner. Edit SPC "B" on the return. The received date of the return should be edited by the RO. If it is not present, edit the return received date, see IRM 3.11.3.8.2.1, Types of Received Dates, when editing the received date on the return. Detach the return from the Form 3210 and forward the return to Submission Processing (SP) for processing, see IRM 3.10.73.6(12), Batching Unnumbered Returns and Documents, for procedures when forwarding returns to SP. Note: If the Assessment Statute Expiration Date (ASED)
	 is imminent (within 90 days) or has expired, see IRM 25.25.6.9, RIVO Statute Procedures for TPP Returns. Take any additional actions to resolve the account, see IRM 25.25.6.2.1.3, The Identity Theft Return is on MFT 32 or Archived or Deleted (Letter Reply Procedures).
	 Document authentication results in AMS as appropriate, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries. Close the RIVO control base with an activity field of "RTN2PROC".

IF	THEN
	Open a monitor control base CXX,RTP-MMDD,M,32RV (MMDD is the month and day you are sending the return to SP) 1487355555,*

IRM 25.25.6.3 - (2&9) - Added Note on Letter 6331C for new insert sent with letter for ID Verify access that includes a QR code for direct access. Added a link ID Verify section for timeframes and additional information after the taxpayer attempts authentication.

- (1) Customer Service Representatives (CSRs) answering the Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) line application 018 and 019 (Spanish speaking line) must follow the procedures in this section to authenticate callers. When a TPP assistor is transferring a call to the Spanish speaking line, the TPP telephone assistor should transfer to IUP#1019.
- (2) Inquiries received on the TPP line may be in response to one of the TPP letters below. Before taking any action, identify the purpose of the call and conduct research to determine the current account status to better assist the caller.

Note: To identify which letter the caller was issued, CC TXMODA will contain a TC 971 AC 123 with the letter number in the miscellaneous field. Due to programming issues, some accounts may show multiple TPP letter markers, and in some instances, multiple letters may be issued in error. If the caller inquires about multiple letters and there is no other UNP 1260 associated with the duplicate letters, apologize to the taxpayer for the error. Some taxpayers may or may not have already authenticated.

TPP Authentication Letters

Letter	Description/Details
	Issued on accounts for returns filed with an
	address in the United States. The account may
	contain a TC 971 AC 123 with a MISC field of
	"STEP-UP AUTH" (4883SP - Spanish version)
	Issued on accounts for returns filed with an
during Original Processing; Foreign	address outside the United States
Address or 5447SP - Spanish	
version	
Letter 5747C, Potential Identity Theft	Issued on accounts containing a TC 971 AC
	123 with a MISC field of "TAC AUTH ONLY")
AUTH ONLY or 5747SP - Spanish	or a TC 971 AC 123 with a MISC field of "HIGH
version	RISK AUTH". The letter comes with the online
	verification option that instructs the taxpayer to

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	use the ID Verify website at www.idverify.irs.gov to authenticate their identity and also provides the option to visit their local Taxpayer Assistance Center (TAC) for in-person visits. Issued on accounts meeting specific criteria.
During Original Processing with Online Option	The letter directs the taxpayer to the online verification option and provides the web address to the Identity Verification Service landing page located via the IRS.gov website. The letter provides the option of using the website or calling the TPP number to authenticate their identity. **If the caller chose not to use the <i>idverify</i> website due to issues with the website, was confused with the process, or had other concerns with responding to the questions, apologize for the inconvenience and continue with the authentication process.
	Issued on accounts as part of the new TPP pilot.
Note: For the 2022 filing season, the 6330C pilot letter will continue to be issued to a limited amount of taxpayers through the end of April 2022.	 If the caller was issued the Letter 6330C, employees will use procedures for Letter 4883C to address the inquiry throughout the IRM. The pilot letter cannot be reissued, therefore the corresponding letter below must be issued if the TP did not receive, misplaced/lost or did not receive the letter, the corresponding letter will be issued. Letter 6330C = 4883C
1	Issued on accounts as part of the new TPP pilot.
Note: This letter contains an insert Notice 1455, IRS Identity Verification Service, that refers taxpayers to the online ID Verify website to complete authentication. It also contains a QR code that will take taxpayers directly to the online website. It is two-sided for English	 If the caller was issued the Letter 6331C, employees will use procedures for Letter 5071C to address the inquiry throughout the IRM. The pilot letter cannot be reissued, therefore the corresponding letter below must be issued if the TP did not receive, misplaced/lost or did not receive the

and Spanish.	letter, the corresponding letter will be issued.
	Letter 6331C = 5071C

Note: For information on the ID Verify process, see IRM 25.25.6.3.5, ID Verify - TPP Online Authentication. Be aware that some taxpayers will not be provided the online option if exception criteria is met.



(3) Because the return has already been identified as potential identity theft, there is a high risk of unauthorized disclosure. Enhanced authentication procedures must be followed to avoid inadvertent unauthorized disclosure of taxpayer information.

Note: The tax return selected for the TPP authentication process could be a refund or balance due return, including a non-filer tax return filed for the Economic Impact Payment (EIP). Some non-filer returns selected for TPP authentication will not contain a TPP letter marker TC 971 AC 123 with MISC field, however a letter is generated.

- (4) If the caller is not calling in response to a TPP letter, and there is no open TPP issue, transfer the caller to the appropriate area per the Telephone Transfer Guide.
- (5) If the caller states they were previously transferred to the Taxpayer Assistance Center (TAC) Appointment Line, but the call was disconnected, see IRM 25.25.6.3.2, Referring the Caller to the Taxpayer Assistance Center (TAC) Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Toll-Free Assistors, to assist the taxpayer with scheduling the appointment and for additional instructions. Do not transfer the caller.
- (6) The caller states they are calling in response to a TPP letter (Letter 4883C/SP (or pilot Letter 6330C), Letter 5071C/SP (or pilot Letter 6331C), Letter 5447C/SP, or a Letter 5747C/SP or Letter 3064C) or were referred to the TPP toll-free line by an IRS assistor and they have the letter with them, continue with the authentication process. Advise the caller of authentication requirements listed in the letter to determine if they are able to continue with the call.
- (7) If the caller does not have the TPP letter with them, advise them to locate the letter and follow the instructions in the letter.



Exception: Taxpayers in a **#** where the taxpayers claiming identity theft are not required to have the TPP letter, continue with the authentication process.

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- (8) If the taxpayer states they have received a TPP letter addressed to someone not residing at their address, thank the caller for the information and advise them to destroy the letter. No other action is required.
- (9) If the caller states they have previously authenticated either by phone, correspondence, fax or in the Taxpayer Assistance Center (TAC), and are checking on the status of their refund/balance due or other, ask the taxpayer what date they authenticated and determine if the date they authenticated meets the processing time frame of 9 weeks (16 weeks for fax/mail) and follow the chart below:

Note: For taxpayers who state they authenticated online using idverify.irs.gov, see IRM 25.25.6.3.5, ID Verify - TPP Online Authentication for timeframes and additional information.

Note: **Temporary Guidance due to COVID-19 Impact** Throughout the remainder of this section, for instances where the caller must visit a TAC to complete the authentication process, if the caller is unable to visit the TAC due to COVID reasons or restrictions, provide the **fax** instructions in IRM 25.25.6.3.2, Referring the Caller to the Taxpayer Assistance Center (TAC) - Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Toll-Free Assistors.

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The appropriate time frame has not passed from the date the taxpayer authenticated. Note: See IRM 25.25.6.3.5, ID Verify - TPP Online Authentication, if taxpayer states they completed online authentication.	 Advise the taxpayer that although it may take up to 9 weeks to complete the processing of the return (16 weeks if submitted by or fax/mail) if expecting a refund, they can visit Where's My Refund?, on irs.gov or on the IRS2Go mobile app after 2 - 3 weeks, to check the refund status, see IRM 21.4.1.4, Refund Inquiry Response Procedures, for additional information. The taxpayer may call toll-free, 800-829-1040 (267-941-1000 for International taxpayers), if they don't have access to the internet or for additional assistance after 9 or 16 week timeframe.
2 The appropriate time frame has passed from the date they authenticated.	 Perform authentication per IRM 21.1.3.2.3, Required Taxpayer Authentication, and IRM 21.1.3.2.4, Additional Taxpayer Authentication, as required by the IRM based on account issues. Once basic authentication has been completed, review the account for any unresolved TPP

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	issues.
	Note: See IRM 25.25.6.1.7, Taxpayer Protection Program Overview, for indications of an unresolved TPP issue.
	If there are unresolved TPP issues, confirm TPP high risk authentication (HRA) has been completed by reviewing Account Management Services (AMS) notes. If HRA has been completed, see IRM 25.25.6.5, Responding to the Taxpayer and Case Resolution for the Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Telephone Assistors and Taxpayer Assistance Center (TAC) Assistors, to determine additional resolution actions.
	Reminder: The results of the authentication on the website are not viewable on IDRS or AMS, therefore full authentication including TPP HRA is required.
	 If there are unresolved TPP issues and there is no indication HRA has been completed, continue with the authentication process below. If after account research, it is determined that the TPP issue was previously addressed/resolved correctly, however, there is a subsequent non-TPP unresolved issue holding the refund or other issue, advise the taxpayer of the account status (i.e. account freeze or refund issued with TC 846). If additional action is needed to resolve the non-TPP issue, refer the caller to the appropriate area per the Telephone Transfer Guide. Include a transfer PIN when appropriate, see IRM 21.1.3.2.5, Initial Authentication Transfer Procedures/Transfer PIN. If transferring the caller, input AMS notes as appropriate, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries.

IRM 25.25.6.3.1 (3) - Updated Form 56 procedures for calls to toll-free and TAC employees and included a link to the disclosure IRM for accepting faxed documents and verifying documents for third party.

(3) Follow the instructions in the chart below to resolve the account and respond to the caller:

Note: **Temporary Guidance due to COVID-19 Impact** Throughout the remainder of this section, for instances where the caller must visit a TAC to complete the authentication process, if the caller is unable to visit the TAC due to COVID reasons or restrictions, provide the **fax** instructions in IRM 25.25.6.3.2, Referring the Caller to the Taxpayer Assistance Center (TAC) - Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Toll-Free Assistors.

Free Assistors. IF THEN Advise the POA this is an authentication line only and they will be asked to verify The caller is an authorized Power of Attornev (POA or Durable the taxpaver's information for the tax year or years in question. Power of Attorney) per IRM 21.1.3.3, Third Party The POA must be authorized for all the (POA/TIA/F706) Authentication, or vears addressed in the questioning can fax Form 2848, *Power of* including the year in question. Ask if the taxpayer is available to participate in the Attorney and Declaration of Representative, if not on the authentication process. Begin by authenticating the POA, see IRM Centralized Authorization File (CAF) file 21.1.3.3, Third Party (POA/TIA/F706) Authentication, and follow instructions to verify the POA's identity and the Form **Note:** If the caller provides a 2848 authorization to identify what year or Durable Power of Attorney, it must contain all of the information that is years are authorized. required on Form 2848. If the POA is not authorized for the year in question, advise the POA to have the taxpayer answer the questions if present. or if not present, have taxpayer contact the IRS at the phone number in the letter and to have the letter with them when they call. Document the call in AMS, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select "Other Entity" as the issue. If the POA is authorized for the year or years in question, continue with the authentication process, see IRM 25.25.6.3, Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Basic Authentication and Research, beginning with paragraph 13. Since the

POA is authorized to act on behalf of the taxpayer, follow all instructions in the IRM

as if the POA is the taxpayer.

If the POA is authorized for multiple

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	taxpayers, allow the POA to address up to 5 accounts in question for which they are authorized.
The caller's authority is a Form 8821, Tax Information Authorization, or as a third-party designee, see IRM 21.1.3.3.1, Third Party Designee Authentication, or has prior oral disclosure consent, see IRM 21.1.3.3.2, Oral Disclosure Consent/Oral TIA (Paperless F8821)	 The caller is not eligible to authenticate the taxpayer's identity. Ask the caller if the taxpayer is available and can answer the questions to authenticate their identity. If yes, ask the caller to bring the taxpayer to the phone. When the taxpayer joins the call, continue with the authentication process, see IRM 25.25.6.3, Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Basic Authentication and Research, beginning with paragraph 13. The taxpayer must answer the questions and remain on the phone during the entire process. The third-party can only assist the taxpayer with answering questions related to information on the taxpayer's return. For example, the third-party can tell the taxpayer what line of the taxpayer's return they can locate the wages, withholding or refund amounts. If the taxpayer is not available, advise the caller the taxpayer needs to call or to call back when the taxpayer is available.
The taxpayer is deceased and the caller is the executor, personal representative, conservator, etc., see IRM 3.11.3.9.2.2.2, Additional Information Line (AIL), authorized to represent the deceased taxpayer, see IRM 21.1.3.4, Other Third Party Inquiries.	Continue with the authentication process, see IRM 25.25.6.3, Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Basic Authentication and Research, beginning with paragraph 13. Since the caller is authorized to act on behalf of the taxpayer, follow all instructions in the IRM as if the caller is the taxpayer.
AND	
The caller's name appears on the Entity portion of the account (IAT/AMS/ENMOD) or is showing as a pending transaction on command code (CC) ENMOD. See IRM 11.3.2.4.11 (3) Deceased	

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Individuals, for information. 4 The taxpayer is deceased and the caller is the executor, personal representative, conservator, etc., see IRM 3.11.3.9.2.2.2, Additional Information Line (AIL), AND The caller's name does not appear on the Entity portion of the account (IAT/AMS/ENMOD) or is not showing as a pending transaction on CC ENMOD See IRM 11.3.2.4.11 (3) Deceased Individuals and IRM 3.13.5.32, Notice Concerning Fiduciary Relationship, for Form 56 requirements.	 Ask the caller if they have mailed Form 56, <i>Notice Concerning Fiduciary Relationship</i>, including the supporting documentation, and if they have a copy they can fax in while on the call. If so, see IRM 21.1.3.4, (4) Other Third Party Inquiries, and follow procedures to verify authorized representative and complete disclosure. Once the authorized representative is verified and disclosure is completed, continue with TPP authentication, see IRM 25.25.6.3, Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Basic Authentication and Research, beginning with paragraph 13. Since the caller is authorized to act on behalf of the taxpayer, follow all instructions in the IRM as if the caller is the taxpayer. If the caller states they have not filed the Form 56 and do not have a copy, advise the caller to see IRS.gov to obtain the form and instructions for mailing to the IRS. Advise the caller to call back when they have a completed Form 56 and can fax it in. When the Form 56 is processed by the IRS, the submitter's name will appear on the second name line on the Entity portion of the account. If a second name line is present, see block 3 above for procedures. If the caller cannot fax in the copy at the time of the call or they could not be verified based on faxed documents, advise the caller they can go to the TAC or call back. If they want to visit a TAC office, advise the caller they must bring Form 56 with all supporting documentation and TPP authentication documents (refer them to the TPP letter or if they don't have a copy, provide the list of documents off the letter). Advise the taxpayer they will be required to make an appointment with the TAC. Follow procedures in IRM 21.3.4.2.4.5, Accounts Management

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	•	Procedures for Appointment Service to schedule the appointment. When making a TAC appointment, remind the caller to bring all supporting documentation for Form 56 and TPP authentication. If not continuing with the authentication process and/or the caller is referred to the TAC, document the call in AMS, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries.
TAC Employees The taxpayer is deceased and the executor, personal representative, conservator, etc., see IRM 3.11.3.9.2.2.2, Additional Information Line (AIL) visit the TAC for TPP authentication, AND Their name does not appear on the Entity portion of the account (IAT/AMS/ENMOD) or is not showing as a pending transaction on CC ENMOD See IRM 11.3.2.4.11 (3) Deceased Individuals and IRM 3.13.5.32, Notice Concerning Fiduciary Relationship, for Form 56 requirements.	•	If the representative has the required Form 56, <i>Notice Concerning Fiduciary Relationship</i> , and supporting documentation along with TPP authentication documents continue below. See IRM 21.1.3.4, (4) Other Third Party Inquiries, and follow procedures for completing disclosure. Once authorized representative is verified as the representative, continue with TPP authentication. See IRM 25.23.2.7.2.1, Returns Selected by Identity Theft Filters - Taxpayers Visiting the TAC, to continue with identity verification and TPP process. If the Form 56 was previously mailed, advise the taxpayer to allow an additional 60 days at a minimum, for processing of the form. If the representative does not have the required documentation for Form 56 or TPP authentication, advise the representative you cannot continue with the authentication and ask them to call the TPP line if they can fax the form in while on the call.
5 The taxpayer is deceased and the caller is the surviving spouse of the deceased taxpayer and their		If the caller is stating the deceased taxpayer did not file the return. #

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name is not on CC ENMOD	# No other account actions are necessary. These types of returns will be resolved at the end of the suspense period. • If the caller is stating the married filing jointly (MFJ) return is their MFJ return with the deceased taxpayer, continue with the authentication process, see IRM 25.25.6.3, Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Basic Authentication and Research, beginning with paragraph 13.
The caller is using TTY/TDD equipment or calling via the Federal Relay Service (FRS) or any	Continue with the authentication process as if you were speaking directly to the taxpayer, see IRM 25.25.6.3, Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Basic Authentication and Research, beginning with paragraph 13. The taxpayer must answer the questions and remain on the phone during the entire process. • If the assistor has concerns about the way the customer responds to the questions, the assistor may ask additional questions or the assistor may refer the caller to the TAC. If referring the caller to the TAC, advise that a TAC appointment is required. See IRM 25.25.6.3.2, Referring the Caller to the Taxpayer Assistance Center (TAC) - Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Toll-Free Assistors to schedule the appointment and for additional instructions. • Exception: # • If not continuing with the authentication process and the caller is being referred to the TAC, document the call in AMS, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries.
7 The caller is calling regarding an	Authenticate the caller using authentication procedures, see IRM

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account for a minor taxpayer and caller is the minor or parent/guardian of the minor, see IRM 11.3.2.4.10, Minors.	21.1.3.2.3, Required Taxpayer Authentication. • After completing basic authentication, continue with the authentication process as if you were speaking directly to the taxpayer, see IRM 25.25.6.3, Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Basic Authentication and Research, beginning with paragraph 13. • If the caller does not pass authentication, advise the caller they must go to the TAC. See IRM 25.25.6.3.2, Referring the Caller to the Taxpayer Assistance Center (TAC)-Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Toll-Free Assistors, to schedule the appointment and for additional instructions. • Exception: # • If the caller is referred to the TAC, document the call in AMS, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries.	
The caller is an unauthorized third- party inquiring about a refund, wanting to authenticate for the taxpayer, or is calling to provide information because the taxpayer is not available.	No account actions are necessary. The third- l-party is not able to discuss the TPP issue. Advise the caller that you are not able to discuss the account with them without the taxpayer being present. Advise the caller to call back when the taxpayer is available or have the taxpayer call the IRS. If the taxpayer has received the TPP letter, advise the caller that the taxpayer may also respond to the letter in writing.	

IRM 25.25.6.3.5 - Added additional Id Verify process including timeframes and instructions based on the ID verify response the taxpayer receives.

(1) The Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) identity verification process is completed through the Identity Verification Service at idverify.irs.gov. Taxpayers have the option to use the online identity verification service to complete identity and

tax verification through the Secure Access Digital Identity (SADI) platform using ID.me for identity verification and if successful, the taxpayer is directed back to the idverify.irs.gov tool for the TPP return validation.

The ID Verify experience will flow as follows:

- The taxpayer will begin the TPP verification process through the idverify.irs.gov site and click on the "Verify Your Identity and Tax Return" button.
- The next screen will provide a choice to create a new account, use an existing ID.me account, or sign in with an existing IRS username (Secure Access eAuth account).
- Once the taxpayer has successfully verified their identity using one of the platforms.
- The taxpayer will be directed back to idverify.irs.gov tool to complete the TPP tax return verification questions. Remind the taxpayer they must complete both ID.me and tax return verification in order to complete the TPP authentication process.

Note: For additional information on SADI, see IRM 21.2.1.58.2, Secure Access Digital Identity (SADI).

(2) Taxpayers without an existing Secure Access account or ID.me account must create a new account using the new ID.me. Once the taxpayer creates their account and verifies their identity with ID.me, they will be sent to the idverify.irs.gov tool to complete the TPP tax return verification questions. The tax return questions must be completed to complete the TPP authentication process and receive one of the responses below. The results are available to the taxpayer on idverify.irs.gov website for 3 weeks.

Once the taxpayer successfully completes the return verification, the next screen will provide one of the following responses that contain instructions for next steps:

Note: Once the taxpayer receives a Confirmation "Congratulations Successful" = Passed response, the SSN is added to a listing and is processed on a weekly basis. The Unpostable 1260 can then take up to two weeks to show Closed "C" on CC UPTIN.

If the taxpayer receives	Taxpayer Calls after using idverify.irs.gov tool
Confirmation "Congratulations Successful" = Passed Those who receive a "Successful" outcome will be advised to allow 9 weeks to complete the processing of the TPP return.	 Advise the taxpayer that although it can take up to 9 weeks to complete the processing of the return, they can access Where's My Refund after 2-3 weeks to monitor the refund status. If the Unpostable 1260 still shows as Active "A" on CC UPTIN, see IRM 25.25.6.3 (10) Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Basic Authentication and Research, and conduct authentication.

Fraudulent Tax Filing Identified = IDT Those who receive a "Fraudulent" outcome will be given the option to contact the Identity Theft Protection Specialized Unit.	Conduct authentication over the phone. See IRM 25.25.6.3 (10) Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Basic Authentication and Research.
Additional Information Required - Call TPP toll-free = Need more information	Conduct authentication over the phone. See IRM 25.25.6.3 (10) Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Basic Authentication and Research.
Additional Information Required - Call TAC Appointment line - Need more information	Advise the taxpayer they will require a TAC appointment, see IRM 25.25.6.3.2, Referring the Caller to the Taxpayer Assistance Center (TAC) - Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Toll-Free Assistors, to schedule the appointment and for additional instructions.

(3) If taxpayers experience issues with setting up their online account through the new ID.me provider, assistance will be provided via the Help.ID.me website.

IRM 25.25.6.5.1 (1, 2 & 4) Clarified how to identify an open UNP 1260 on CC UPTIN and added clarification on how to identify archived/deleted return through research and checking status of transactions throughout the section. Edited POA question instructions.

- (1) The taxpayer **authenticated**, and filed the return in question, and the account contains one return which is:
 - Unpostable (UP) 126 reason code (RC) "0" CC UPTIN will show status "A" meaning, the unpostable is unresolved (OPEN)
 - UP 147 and the account contains an unreversed transaction code (TC) 971 action code (AC) 129
 - Posted on MFT 30 (TC 150 present) and the account contains an unreversed TC 971 AC 129 present (refund held or lost)
 - Posted on MFT 30 (TC 150 present) and the return information has been reversed (TC 971 AC 129 is present -TC 972 AC 129 may be present)
 - Moved to MFT 32 TC 976 posted on MFT 32 and TC 971 AC 111 posted on MFT 30
 - Archived/Deleted the return was never processed and is **not** posted to MFT 30 as a TC 150 or MFT 32 as a TC 976 CC TRDBV "CODES" summary screen shows it was a UP 126 RC "0" and may not be viewable on CC UPTIN
- (2) Due to data breaches and account takeovers, all TPP returns filed by the taxpayer identification number (TIN) owner must be verified to ensure the

information has not been changed without their permission. Confirm the return in question is the taxpayer's return by asking the taxpayer for the following information:

The address as it appears on the return

Reminder: No address will appear on the return on CC TRDBV if the return is paper filed and contains the same address as the address on CC ENMOD at the time the return was received. Review CC TRDBV and ENMOD to verify.

 The overpayment amount as it is shown on their return (The taxpayer must provide the overpayment amount from the appropriate line in the **Refund** section on the actual tax form they filed. They cannot provide an amount that was provided by the preparer or from a preparer's summary page since that figure may be less due to charges the preparer is deducting from the refund.)

Note: If Error Resolution (ERS) made a correction to the return during processing, the overpayment amount provided by the taxpayer may not match the refund amount as shown on the return in CC TRDBV. Review CC TRDBV for ERS corrections, CC ENMOD to determine if ERS issued a Letter 12C, or the MeFile record for ERS involvement and corrections. If there is a mismatch in the refund amount provided by the taxpayer and there is an indication of ERS involvement, accept the return corrected by ERS as the taxpayer's return.

- The refund type:
 - A paper check to their address
 - A credit elect to the next tax year
 - A direct deposit (on current or two prior tax years)
- If the refund is a direct deposit, obtain the routing number for the bank and the bank account number (on current or two prior tax years)

Note: If CC TRDBV or MEF RRD indicates the refund is a Refund Anticipation Loan (RAL) or Refund Anticipation Check (RAC), see IRM 21.4.1.5.7, Direct Deposits - General Information, for RAL/RAC indicators, or if the taxpayer is receiving their refund via a refund transfer product such as a debit card, see Exhibit 21.4.1-2, Most Common Banks That Offer Refund Transfer Products (RAL/RAC), for the common RTNs. The account number for the RAL/RAC direct deposit may contain the TIN of the taxpayer. Verify the RAL/RAC information if the taxpayer can provide the RAL/RAC information from the return. If the RAL/RAC information cannot be verified, then confirm, at the very least, that the taxpayer has agreed to a RAL/RAC or refund transfer product. If the return was filed electronically, the final refund destination, also known as the ultimate bank account, may be present on the last page of the CC TRDBV return view screen, which may contain the taxpayer's bank information. If the ultimate bank account information is present, verify the ultimate bank account information with the taxpayer.

- For balance due returns, the taxpayer should also verify the following information from the return:
 - -Request the balance due amount and verify the IDRS total matches the return.
 - -Were estimated tax payments made? If yes, how much? Does the amount or total match tax return? If the account reflects payments not confirmed by caller, conduct additional research to determine if there was a possible posting error.
 - -Credit elect? If yes, how much? Does the amount or total match tax return? If the account reflects totals not confirmed by caller, conduct additional research to determine if there was a possible posting error.
 - -If the taxpayer is unable to confirm balance due amount, estimated tax payments or credit elect information or indicates they do not have a copy of the tax return, follow the instructions in applicable If/Then chart below.
- For POA's, in addition to the above questions, confirm any one of the following, method of filing, electronic or paper, Income claimed (CC IRPTR), and dependent date of birth.
- (3) Once the information has been obtained, follow the chart below:

IF	THEN
The taxpayer cannot provide all of the above required information because they do not have the return available and they are unable to answer the questions from memory.	 Advise the taxpayer to obtain the return and call the TPP number in the letter. The taxpayer will be required to complete authentication again when they call back. Document AMS, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries. Include in the notes: the taxpayer has passed high risk authentication but could not verify the return in question as their return.
The information provided matches the information on the return received by the IRS (including RAL or RAC direct deposits). OR	Continue to paragraph 4 below.
The taxpayer can provide matching information for the refund amount and refund type, however the address on	

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the return is unknown to them and the refund type is a Direct Deposit AND the direct deposit information is verified by the taxpayer.	
OR	
The taxpayer states they are expecting a direct deposit, but the return on CC TRDBV or MEF RRD does not contain the direct deposit information but the address on the return is the address for the taxpayer.	
The balance due return information cannot be fully verified (i.e. payments or credit elect) and they have the return in hand, but amounts do not match or were not reported on the return	 Conduct thorough research to confirm there are no errors or discrepancies with payments (i.e. misapplied or incorrect year) posted to the account. If an error is found, resolve the issue or follow referral procedures, as needed, then continue to paragraph 4 below. If no error or discrepancy is found with payments posted to the account, continue to paragraph 4 below.
The bank routing number or account number provided for the taxpayer's bank account does not match the information on the return received by the IRS. (Excluding RAL, RAC and refund transfer products.) OR The taxpayer states they have closed their bank account and cannot receive a	 Input a TC 971 AC 850 (on current or two prior tax year returns) to flip the direct deposit to a paper check to be mailed to the taxpayer's address on the return. Advise the taxpayer the refund will not be a direct deposit and will be a paper check to the address on the return. Continue to paragraph 4 below.
direct deposit there.	
OR	
The taxpayer stated they are expecting a paper check and the return on CC TRDBV contains direct deposit information. (Excluding RAL, RAC, and refund transfer products.)	

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The taxpayer agreed to a RAL/RAC or refund transfer product and CC TRDBV contains the ultimate bank account information - however the information provided for the taxpayer's bank account does not match the bank information on the last page of the return view screen on CC TRDBV. 5 The taxpayer states they did not agree to a RAL/RAC or transfer product (for example - they paid the filing or preparation fees up front by check, cash, or debit/credit card).	 Input a TC 971 AC 850 (on current or two prior tax year returns) to flip the direct deposit to a paper check to be mailed to the taxpayer's address on the return. Advise the taxpayer the refund will not be a direct deposit and will be a paper check to the address on the return. Continue to paragraph 4 below.
The refund amount provided by the taxpayer does not match the refund amount on the return received by the IRS. Confirm that the taxpayer is providing the refund amount from the return they filed and not from memory, a summary page, or other documents, prior to determining the return is identity theft.	
None of the information provided by the taxpayer matches the return received by the IRS.	
OR	
The address does not match and the taxpayer states that the address is unknown to them AND the refund will be issued as a paper check.	
Note: Consider minor street or state spelling errors (including Major City	

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Codes, see Exhibit 3.41.277-4, Major	
City Codes) or missing apartment	
numbers as a verified address.	

(4) Follow the chart below for the required account resolution:

IF	THEN
1	See IRM 25.25.6.5.1.1, The Taxpayer's
The taxpayer's return is UP 126 RC "0"	Return is Unpostable 126 Reason
CC UPTIN will show status "A" meaning, the	Code "0"
unpostable is unresolved (OPEN)	
2	See IRM 25.25.6.5.1.2, The Taxpayer's
The account contains an unreversed TC 971	
AC 129 (the taxpayer's return may be posted	
to MFT 30 or may be UP 147)	such as a TC 971 AC 129
3	See IRM 25.25.6.5.5, Previous
The taxpayer's return was deemed identity	Taxpayer Protection Program Actions -
theft and is showing as an "OPEN" UP 126	Return Previously Deemed Identity
RC "0" on CC UPTIN/UPDIS	Theft
OR	
The taxpayer's return information has been removed (backed out) from MFT 30	
OR	
The return has been moved to MFT 32	
OR	
The return has been archived/deleted - Means the return was never processed and is not posted to MFT 30 as a TC 150 or on MFT 32 as a TC 976 – and	
Command code (CC) TRDBV "CODES" screen shows it was UP 126 RC "0" and may not be viewable on CC UPTIN	

IRM 25.25.6.5.1.1 (4) - Clarified how to identify an open UNP 1260 and access Unpostable transaction and included a link to job aids for unpostable correction. Added clarification on how to identify archived deleted return through research and checking status of transactions throughout the section.

(4) The TVT tool may provide a response that there is no unpostable condition even though command code (CC) UPTIN may indicate the return is UP 126 RC "0". The unpostable cannot be resolved using the TVT tool. Research CC TRDBV and take the following actions:

IF	THEN
The return is UP 126 RC "0" and does not populate on the TVT tool Note: Do not refer the case to RIVO if the TVT tool is not populating the unpostable, the unpostable must be closed, unless it meets the criteria in paragraph 5.	 The UNP 1260 will have to be closed using CC UPTIN/UPDIS/UPRES. Use CC UPTIN to view the unpostable record(s). If the unpostable transaction is out of region use the @ with the campus location code to view it. Ex. UPTIN XXX-XX-XXXX@XX For listing of the campus locations codes see Doc 6209, Section 4. If the unpostable is unresolved (OPEN), CC UPTIN will show status "A" The UNP 1260 must be manually closed on IDRS. Refer to Technical Communication Document, Unpostables: Research and Resolution to access command code job aids to assist with closing the unpostable Continue to paragraph 5 if the tax period is incorrect OR If the tax period is correct, go straight to paragraph 6 to resolve the UNP 1260 Note: If the unpostable is assigned to an unpostable team, use CC UPASG with definer "R" to reassign the UNP 126 to yourself. See IRM 3.12.32.18.1, Command Code UPASG-Screen Formats, for instructions
The CC UPTIN/UPDIS URC field is blank, the UP 126 RC "0" is assigned to IDRS number "1483845470" or "148xxxxxxx" and the remarks section may contain one of the following statements: • "IAT UNP 126 Batch" • "Batch IDT No Response"	The unpostable has been closed by the RIVO IAT Batch Tool Process, see IRM 25.25.6.5.4, Authentication Passed and the Account is being Resolved or was Resolved by the Integrated Automation Technologies (IAT) Batch Tool Process, for the appropriate resolution actions.
AND/OR	

IF	THEN
A TC 971 AC 123 with a MISC field of "TPP RP" is posted to the module - (Only on accounts resolved by the IAT Batch Tool process beginning in January 2017.)	

IRM 25.25.6.5.2.1 - Added clarification on how to identify archived/deleted return through research and checking status of transactions throughout the section.

- (1) The taxpayer **authenticated**, the account contains multiple returns, and the taxpayer filed at least one or more of the returns. At least one return is unpostable (UP) 126 reason code (RC) "0", and the other returns are:
 - UP 126 RC "0"
 - UP 147 and the account contains an unreversed transaction code (TC) 971 action code (AC) 129
 - Posted on MFT 30 (TC 150 present) and the account contains an unreversed TC 971 AC 129 present (refund held or lost)
 - Posted on MFT 30 (TC 150 present) and the return information was reversed (TC 971 AC 129 may be present -TC 972 AC 129 may be present)
 - Moved to MFT 32 TC 976 posted on MFT 32 and TC 971 AC 111 posted on MFT 30
 - Archived/Deleted the return was never processed and is not posted to MFT 30 as a TC 150 or on MFT 32 as a TC 976 and the CC TRDBV "CODES" screen shows it was UP 126 RC "0" and may not be viewable on CC UPTIN
- (2) All authentication processes, research, and actions in the preceding IRMs listed below **must** be followed prior to continuing to the resolution procedures in paragraph 3:
 - IRM 25.25.6.3, Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Basic Authentication and Research
 - IRM 25.25.6.4, Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) High Risk Authentication (HRA) Procedures
 - TAC assistors see IRM 25.23.2.7.2.1, Returns Selected by Identity Theft Filters - Taxpayers Visiting the TAC
 - IRM 25.25.6.5.2, Authentication Passed and Multiple Returns are Present
- (3) Follow the chart below to resolve the account and respond to the taxpayer:

IF	THEN
The taxpayer's return is	See IRM 25.25.6.5.2.1.1, Multiple Returns and the

IF	THEN
UP 126 RC "0"	Taxpayer's Return is Unpostable 126 Reason Code "0"

IRM 25.25.6.5.2.1.1 - (3) - Clarified how to identify an open UNP 1260 on CC UPTIN and added clarification on how to identify archived/deleted return through research and checking status of transactions throughout the section.

- (1) Multiple returns are present on the module and the taxpayer's valid return(s) is/are unpostable (UP) 126 reason code (RC) "0". (Includes accounts where the taxpayer filed all the returns that are UP 126 RC "0".) Resolve each return based on the status of the return as described below.
- (2) Utilize the Integrated Automation Technologies (IAT) Taxpayer Verification Tool (TVT) to resolve the unpostable condition, when available, unless otherwise directed by the IRM.
- (3) The TVT tool may provide a response that there is no unpostable condition even though command code (CC) UPTIN may indicate the return is UP 126 RC "0". The unpostable cannot be resolved using the TVT tool. Research CC TRDBV and take the following actions:

IF	THEN
The return is UP 126 RC "0" and does not populate on the TVT tool Note: Do not refer the case to RIVO if the TVT tool is not populating the unpostable, the unpostable must be closed, unless it meets the criteria in paragraph 5.	

IF	THEN
"	paragraph 6 to resolve the UNP 1260
The CC UPTIN/UPDIS URC field is blank, the UP 126 RC "0" is assigned to IDRS number "1483845470" or "148xxxxxxx" and the remarks section may contain one of the following statements:	Note: If the unpostable is assigned to an unpostable team, use CC UPASG with definer "R" to reassign the UNP 126 to yourself. See IRM 3.12.32.18.1, Command Code UPASG-Screen Formats, for instructions The unpostable has been closed by the RIVO IAT Batch Tool Process, see IRM 25.25.6.5.4, Authentication Passed and the Account is being Resolved or was Resolved by the Integrated Automation Technologies (IAT) Batch Tool Process, for the appropriate resolution actions.
 "IAT UNP 126 Batch" "Batch IDT No Response"	
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AND/OR	
A transaction code (TC) 971 action code (AC) 123 with a MISC field of "TPP RP" is posted to the module - (Only on accounts resolved by the IAT Batch Tool process beginning in January 2017.)	

(4) Follow the instructions below to respond to the taxpayer and resolve the account:

IF	THEN
The tax period of the return in question is incorrect (for example: the taxpayer states the return is for tax year 2016 but it is showing as unpostable for tax year 2017)	 Do not take any action to resolve the unpostable condition Open a control base on IDRS on the module that contains the UP 126 RC "0" return with the following information C#,CRTTY,A,MISC 1483145470,* Document the call in AMS as appropriate, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries. Include in the notes: the taxpayer has passed high risk authentication (HRA), the document locator

IF	THEN
	 number (DLN) of the return in question, and the tax year the return is intended for. When advising the taxpayer on the processing of their return, ensure to take into consideration if an identity theft return has posted to MFT 30 or if they have filed multiple returns and a -A freeze will post to the account when the multiple returns post. If multiple returns will post to the tax module, advise the taxpayer to allow 16 weeks for processing of their return before contacting the IRS at 1-800-829-1040. If only one return will post to the tax module, advise the taxpayer to allow 9 weeks for processing of their return. Advise the taxpayer that although it may take up to 9 weeks to complete the processing of the return, if expecting a refund, they can visit Where's My Refund?, on irs.gov or on the IRS2Go mobile app after 2 - 3 weeks, to check the refund status, see IRM 21.4.1.4, Refund Inquiry Response Procedures, for additional information. The taxpayer may call toll-free, 800-829-1040 (267-941-1000 for International taxpayers), if they don't have access to the internet or for additional assistance after the 9 week timeframe.

(5) For non-identity theft resolution, resolve the unpostable condition(s) and respond to the taxpayer using the steps below:

Note: Ignore the presence of a TC 971 AC 052 on the account. All UP 126 RC "0" returns are scored for income/withholding/credit issues after the unpostable condition has been resolved.

IF	THEN
1	Close the UP 126 RC "0" using
If one or more of the taxpayer's	unpostable resolution code (URC) "0". If
returns are UP 126 RC "0"	inputting a TC 971 AC 850, post delay the
	UP 126 RC "0" resolution by one cycle
Note: For returns requesting a	using "REL CYC" field 48 on CC UPRES.
direct deposit, a TC 971 AC 850 is	 See Exception below the chart if there is
required (only for current or two	a wrong or new TIN (mixed entity)
prior tax year returns) if any of the	involved.
following exist:	 If the taxpayer filed one or more returns,
♦The taxpayer is in a disaster area	close the duplicate returns UP 126 RC
and did not pass HRA	"0" using unpostable resolution code
♦The routing/bank account number	(URC) "0" and post delay for 4
provided by the taxpayer does not	cycles using "REL CYC" field 48 on CC
match the return received by the	UPRES.

IF	THEN

- IRS (Excluding RAL or RAC refunds.)
- ♦The account contains a TC 971 AC 123 with "STEP-UP AUTH" in the MISC field
- ♦The account contains a TC 971 AC 125 and the DLN in the MISC field matches the DLN of the return
- **A TC 971 AC 850 cannot be input on an account that is not established. Advise the taxpayer that the refund will be direct deposited as requested. If the direct deposit information was input incorrectly by the taxpayer, advise the taxpayer to contact the financial institution.
- If the taxpayer has an address change, input the address change using the IAT tool, see IRM 3.13.5.29, Oral Statement /Telephone Contact Address Change Requirements, add AMS notes indicating an address change was input.
- The account contains an unreversed TC 971 AC 121 or a TC 971 AC 124 (the DLN in the MISC field of the TC 971 AC 124 matches the DLN of the return in question), input a TC 972 AC 121 or TC 972 AC 124, see Exhibit 25.25.6-6, Transaction Code (TC) 972 Action Code (AC) 121, Action Code (AC) 124, or Action Code (AC) 129 Input Screen.

Exception: If the account is a "first time filer" account and the entity is not established; CC REQ77 cannot be initiated therefore a TC 971 or TC 972 cannot be input due to the entity not being established.

- If the account contains an unreversed TC 971 AC 129, input a TC 972 AC 129, see Exhibit 25.25.6-6, Transaction Code (TC) 972 Action Code (AC) 121, Action Code (AC) 124, or Action Code (AC) 129 Input Screen.
- Document the call in AMS as appropriate, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS).
- When advising the taxpayer on the processing of their return, ensure to take into consideration if they have filed multiple returns and a -A freeze will post to the account when the multiple returns post. If multiple returns will post to the tax module, advise the taxpayer to allow 16 weeks for processing of their return before contacting the IRS at 1-800-829-1040.
- Advise the taxpayer to review the refund information on Where's My Refund?, on irs.gov or on the IRS2Go mobile app for smart phones, to determine if the refund has been issued, see IRM 21.4.1.4,

IF	THEN
	Refund Inquiry Response Procedures, for additional information. The taxpayer may call toll-free, 800-829-1040 (267-941-1000 for International taxpayers), if they don't have access to the internet or for additional assistance.

Exception: If the TIN used on the return is not the TIN for the taxpayer (taxpayer or return preparer input error) (this includes returns filed with a new social security number (SSN) and there is a return for the same tax year under the Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) - use the ITIN as the correct TIN), take the following action:

Close the unpostable with using URC "6" and correct the TIN when resolving the UP 126 RC "0" by inputting the correct TIN on the CC UPRES screen. (TIN corrections are input in field 29 of line five of the CC UPRES screen, see Command Code UPRES Job Aid.) If the correct TIN does not have an entity established (first time filer), use URC "6B".

(6) If an identity theft return is present, take the following actions to resolve the identity theft return(s):

IF	THEN
1	See IRM 25.25.6.6.3.1, Procedures for Resolving
The identity theft return(s) is UP	the Account when the Identity Theft Return is
126 RC "0".	Unpostable (UP) 126 Reason Code (RC) "0".
	Resolve the unpostable condition for each identity
	theft return present on the tax module.
2	See IRM 25.25.6.6.3.2, Procedures for Resolving
	the Account when the Identity Theft Return is
	Unpostable 147 or Posted and the Account contains
the account contains an	an Unreversed Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP)
unreversed TC 971 AC 129.	Indicator, for any additional actions that may be
	necessary to resolve the account.
OR	
The identity theft return is	
posted to MFT 30 but no TC	
971 AC 129 is present (account	
must have other unresolved	
TPP issues).	
3	See IRM 25.25.6.6.3.3, Procedures for Resolving
The identity theft return(s) is on	the Account when the Identity Theft Return is
MFT 32	Posted on MFT 32 or has been Archived, for any
or	additional actions that may be necessary to resolve
was archived/deleted (the return	the account.
was never processed and	

IF	THEN
is not posted to MFT 30 as a TC 150 or on MFT 32 as a TC 976)	

IRM 25.25.6.5.2.2 - (4) - Added clarification on how to identify archived/deleted return through research and checking status of transactions throughout the section.

(4) If an identity theft return is present, take the following actions to resolve the identity theft return(s):

IF	THEN
1	See IRM 25.25.6.6.3.1, Procedures for Resolving
	the Account when the Identity Theft Return is
126 RC "0".	Unpostable (UP) 126 Reason Code (RC) "0".
	Resolve the unpostable condition for each identity theft return present on the tax module.
2	Take no action to resolve the UP 147. See IRM
The identity theft return(s) is UP	25.25.6.6.3.2, Procedures for Resolving the
` '	Account when the Identity Theft Return is
the account contains an	Unpostable 147 or Posted and the Account
unreversed TPP indicator such	contains an Unreversed Taxpayer Protection
as a TC 971 AC 129.	Program (TPP) Indicator, for any additional actions
	that may be necessary to resolve the account.
3 The side of the standard of	See IRM 25.25.6.6.3.3, Procedures for Resolving
The identity theft return(s) is on	the Account when the Identity Theft Return is
MFT 32	Posted on MFT 32 or has been Archived, for any additional actions that may be necessary to resolve
or	the account.
	ine account.
has been archived/deleted (the	
return was never processed and	
is not posted to MFT 30 as a TC	
150 or on MFT 32 as a TC 976).	

IRM 25.25.6.5.2.3 - (3) - Added clarification on how to identify archived/deleted return through research and checking status of transactions throughout the section.

(3) If the taxpayer states they did not file any of the returns, follow the chart below for the necessary account actions and to respond to the taxpayer:

IF	THEN
1 All the identity theft returns are UP 126 RC "0"	For identity theft returns UP 126 RC "0", see IRM 25.25.6.6.3.1, Procedures for Resolving the Account when the Identity Theft Return is Unpostable (UP) 126 Reason Code (RC) "0", to resolve the unpostable condition and advise the taxpayer
The identity theft returns are posted or are UP 147 and the account contains an unreversed TPP indicator such as a TC 971 AC 129	See IRM 25.25.6.6.3.2, Procedures for Resolving the Account when the Identity Theft Return is Posted or is Unpostable 147 and the Account contains an Unreversed Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Indicator, to resolve the account and advise the taxpayer
The account contains an identity theft return that is UP 126 RC "0"	Resolve every UP 126 RC "0" identity theft return per the procedures in IRM 25.25.6.6.3.1, Procedures for Resolving the Account when the Identity Theft Return is Unpostable (UP) 126 Reason Code (RC) "0".
	Follow any procedures in the following sections, as needed for account resolution: • IRM 25.25.6.6.3.2, Procedures for Resolving the Account when the

IF	THEN
- Return moved to MFT 32 or Archived/Deleted (the return was never processed and is not posted to MFT 30 as a TC 150 or on MFT 32 as a TC 976)	Identity Theft Return is Posted or Unpostable 147 and the Account contains an Unreversed Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Indicator. • See IRM 25.25.6.6.3.3, Procedures for Resolving the Account when the Identity Theft Return is Posted on MFT 32 or has been Archived.
 An identity theft return that is UP 147 and the account contains an unreversed TC 971 AC 129. OR An identity theft return that is posted to MFT 30 the account may or may not contain an 	If the identity theft return is posted to MFT 30, take no action to reverse the posted identity theft return data. Resolve the account per the procedures in IRM 25.25.6.6.3.2, Procedures for Resolving the Account when the Identity Theft Return is Posted or Unpostable 147 and the Account contains an Unreversed Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Indicator, to resolve the account and advise the taxpayer. Follow any procedures in the following sections as needed for account resolution: • See IRM 25.25.6.6.3.1, Procedures for Resolving the Account when the Identity Theft Return is Unpostable (UP) 126 Reason Code (RC) "0". • See IRM 25.25.6.6.3.3, Procedures for Resolving the Account when the Identity Theft Return is Posted on MFT 32 or has been Archived, to resolve the account and advise the taxpayer.
The account contains an identity theft return that is on MFT 32 or archived (must have been moved to MFT 32 or archived in the TPP process).	Resolve the account per the procedures in See IRM 25.25.6.6.3.3, Procedures for Resolving the Account when the Identity Theft Return is Posted on MFT 32 or has been Archived, to resolve the account and advise the taxpayer.
	Follow any procedures in the following sections, as needed for account resolution:
- UNP 147 with unreversed TPP	• IRM 25.25.6.6.3.2, Procedures for

IF	THEN
indicator	Resolving the Account when the
- Return moved to MFT 32	Identity Theft Return is Posted or
or	Unpostable 147 and the Account
Archived/Deleted (the return was	contains an Unreversed Taxpayer
never processed and is not posted to	
MFT 30 as a TC 150 or on MFT 32	 See IRM 25.25.6.6.3.1, Procedures for
as a TC 976)	Resolving the Account when the
	Identity Theft Return is Unpostable
- UP 126 RC "0"	(UP) 126 Reason Code (RC) "0".

IRM 25.25.6.5.3 - (1) - Added clarification on how to identify archived/deleted return through research and checking status of transactions throughout the section.

(1) The taxpayer **authenticated**, see IRM 25.25.6.3, Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Basic Authentication and Research, and did not file the return in question, and the account contains one return which is:

Note: TAC assistors see IRM 25.23.2.7.2.1, Returns Selected by Identity Theft Filters - Taxpayers Visiting the TAC.

- Unpostable (UP) 126 reason code (RC) "0"
- UP 147 and the account contains an unreversed transaction code (TC) 971 action code (AC) 129
- Posted on MFT 30 (TC 150 present) and the account contains an unreversed TC 971 AC 129 present (refund held or lost) (The TC 971 AC 129 indicates TPP involvement. Accounts with posted identity theft returns without a TC 971 AC 129 or other TPP indicators should not be resolved using the procedures in this IRM.)
- Posted on MFT 30 (TC 150 present) and the return information has been reversed (TC 971 AC 129 is present -TC 972 AC 129 may be present)
- Moved to MFT 32 TC 976 posted on MFT 32 and TC 971 AC 111 may be posted on MFT 30
- Archived/Deleted the return was never processed and is not posted to MFT 30 as a TC 150 or on MFT 32 as a TC 976 and the CC TRDBV "CODES" screen shows it was UP 126 RC "0" and may not be viewable on CC UPTIN
- (2) Any taxpayer contact that meets any of the Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) criteria listed in IRM 13.1.7, Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) Case Criteria, should be worked by TAS. If criteria is met, follow procedures outlined in IRM 21.1.3.18, Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) Guidelines, for preparation of Form 911/e-911, Request for Taxpayer Advocate Service Assistance (And Application for Taxpayer Assistance Order).

(3) Follow the chart below for the necessary account actions and to respond to the taxpayer:

IF	THEN
1 The identity theft return is UP 126 RC "0"	See IRM 25.25.6.6.3.1, Procedures for Resolving the Account when the Identity Theft Return is Unpostable (UP) 126 Reason Code (RC) "0"
147 and the account contains an unreversed TPP indicator such as a TC 971 AC 129	See IRM 25.25.6.6.3.2, Procedures for Resolving the Account when the Identity Theft Return is Posted or Unpostable 147 and the Account contains an Unreversed Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Indicator
There are multiple returns present and the taxpayer states they did not file any of the returns	See IRM 25.25.6.5.2.3, Multiple Returns and the Taxpayer Did Not File Any of the Returns

IRM 25.25.6.5.4 - Added full cycle date 202247 throughout section for clarity.

(1) Return Integrity Verification Operation (RIVO) utilizes a batch process to resolve returns that are unpostable (UP) 126 reason code (RC) "0". The batch closing process is performed after the suspense period expires or prior to the suspense expiration date due to additional information from internal or external sources. RIVO resolves the accounts in the batch process as either identity theft or valid returns filed by the taxpayer. The following chart explains both processes:

IF	THEN
The return is deemed identity theft due to no response from the taxpayer and the suspense period is expired - returns for tax year 2021 and 2020 - (applies to returns for tax year 2020 being resolved prior to cycle 202247).	 At the time of the identity theft determination, the unpostable is assigned to IDRS number "1483845470" or "148xxxxxxxx". The unpostable remains open and assigned to IDRS number "1483845470" or "148xxxxxxxx" until the transaction code (TC) 971 action code (AC) 111 can be seen pending on MFT 30 on command code (CC) IMFOL. When the TC 971 AC 111 posts to the account, the unpostable will be closed with a URC "6" and a CCC "3". A TC 971 AC 506 with a MISC field of "WI PRP DDB" is input in a batch process. Due to the timing of the batch processes, the TC 971 AC 506 may not be viewable for several weeks. The TC 972 AC 124 is input in a batch processes, the TC 972 AC 124 may not be viewable for several weeks. Assistors should not input the reversal marker.
The return is deemed identity theft due to no response from the taxpayer and the suspense period is expired - returns for tax year 2019 and prior - (and returns for tax year 2020 after cycle 202247).	 At the time of the identity theft determination, the unpostable is assigned to IDRS number 1483845470 or 148xxxxxxx. The unpostable is closed with a URC "D". A TC 971 AC 506 with a MISC field of "WI PRP DDB" is input in a batch process. Due to the timing of the batch processes, the TC 971 AC 506 may not be viewable for several weeks. The TC 972 AC 124 is input in a batch process. Due to the timing of the batch

IF	THEN
	processes, the TC 972 AC 124 may not be viewable for several weeks. Assistors should not input the reversal marker.
The return is deemed valid based on information from internal or external sources (these cases are generally worked within the first two weeks of the return going unpostable).	 The unpostable is closed in a batch process with a URC "0" and show IDRS number "148xxxxxxxx". A TC 971 AC 123 with a MISC field of "TPP RP" is input in a batch process on MFT 30 on CC IMFOLT or CC TXMODA. The TC 972 AC 124 is input in a batch process. Due to the timing of the batch processes, the TC 972 AC 124 may not be viewable for several weeks. If the TC 971 AC 124 has not been reversed, do not input a reversal, a systemic reversal will be input.

- (2) The Integrated Automation Technologies (IAT) Taxpayer Verification Tool (TVT) will identify the unpostable condition, however an error message will appear that the unpostable could not be reassigned. Additional research will be required to determine if the unpostable is in the process of being closed or was closed by the RIVO IAT Batch Tool process.
- (3) If the account is in the process of being resolved or was resolved by the batch process, IDRS may show any of the following:
 - TC 971 AC 111 on MFT 30 on CC IMFOLT or CC TXMODA
 - TC 971 AC 506 on CC ENMOD with a MISC field "WI PRP DDB"
 - TC 971 AC 123 on MFT 30 on CC IMFOLT or CC TXMODA with a MISC field "TPP RP"
- (4) In addition, the CC UPTIN/UPDIS screens may contain any of the following information:
 - The unpostable resolution code (URC) field on CC UPTIN is blank
 - The unpostable status is "A" or "C"
 - The unpostable is/was assigned to IDRS number 1483845470 or 148xxxxxxx
 - The notes in the remarks field of CC UPTIN/UPDIS may show:
 "IAT UNP 126 Batch" (the return was considered the taxpayer's return and will post to MFT 30)
 - "Batch IDT No Response" or "Batch IDT Archive No Response" (the return was not considered the taxpayer's return and will post to MFT 32 or will be archived/deleted)

- (5) All authentication processes, research, and actions in the IRMs listed below **must** be followed prior to continuing to the resolution procedures in paragraph 6:
 - IRM 25.25.6.3, Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Basic Authentication and Research
 - IRM 25.25.6.4, Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) High Risk Authentication (HRA) Procedures



Exception: If the taxpayer is claiming the return in question is an identity theft return, then HRA may not be required.

- TAC assistors see IRM 25.23.2.7.2.1, Returns Selected by Identity Theft Filters - Taxpayers Visiting the TAC
- (6) Do not take any action to resolve the UP 126 RC "0" when it is assigned to IDRS number 1483845470 or 148xxxxxxxx, see chart below:

IF	THEN
 The return is deemed non-identity theft and the account contains any of the following: The CC UPTIN/UPDIS shows UP 1260 is open/closed and is/was assigned to IDRS# 1483845470 or 148xxxxxxx CC UPDIS remarks d may or may not show IAT UNP 126 Batch A TC 971 AC 123 may be posted to MFT 30 on CC IMFOLT or CC TXMODA with a MISC field "TPP RP". A TC 972 AC 124 may or may not be present. 	See paragraph 7 below
 The return is deemed identity theft and the account contains any of the following: The unpostable is assigned to IDRS number 1483845470 or 148xxxxxxxx. A TC 971 AC 111 may or may not be posted to MFT 30 on CC IMFOLT or CC TXMODA. The unpostable has been closed, the CC UPTIN/UPDIS remarks field may contain "Batch IDT No Response" or "Batch IDT Archive No Response". 	

IF	THEN
A TC 972 AC 124 may or may not be present.	

(7) The taxpayer was authenticated and the return is deemed non-identity theft and is being resolved or has been resolved in the batch process, see the chart below for any additional account actions and to respond to the taxpayer:

IF	THEN	
The taxpayer states they filed the return.	 If the UP 126 RC "0" is still open, do not take any action to resolve the unpostable condition. Document the authentication results, and other comments in AMS, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries. Advise the taxpayer to allow 9 weeks from the "Status Date" on CC UPRES, to complete the processing of the return. Advise the taxpayer that although it may take up to 9 weeks to complete the processing of the return, if expecting a refund, they can visit Where's My Refund?, on irs.gov or on the IRS2Go mobile app after 2 - 3 weeks, to check the refund status, see IRM 21.4.1.4, Refund Inquiry Response Procedures, for additional information. The taxpayer may call toll-free, 800-829-1040 (267-941-1000 for International taxpayers), if they don't have access to the internet or for additional assistance after the 9 week timeframe. 	
The taxpayer states they filed the return	 If the UP 126 RC "0" is closed with URC "0" by IDRS# 1483845470 or 148xxxxxxx and A TC 971 AC 123 is pending or posted to MFT 30 on CC IMFOLT or CC TXMODA with a MISC field "TPP RP". Document the authentication results, and other comments in AMS, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries Advise the taxpayer to allow 9 weeks from the "Status Date" on CC UPRES, to complete the processing of the return. Advise the taxpayer that although it may take up to 9 weeks to complete the processing of the return, if expecting a refund, they can visit Where's My Refund?, on irs.gov or on the IRS2Go mobile app after 2 - 3 weeks, to check the refund status, see IRM 21.4.1.4, Refund Inquiry Response Procedures, for additional information. The taxpayer may call toll-free, 800-829-1040 (267-941-1000 for International taxpayers), if they don't have access to the internet or for additional assistance after the 9 week timeframe. 	

IF	THEN		
	If the return has posted and there are other account issues, such as, a -R freeze is present, follow applicable IRM procedures, based on the account status.		
3	If the UP 126 RC "0" is still open, do not take any action to		
The taxpayer states they did	resolve the unpostable condition.		
not file the return.	 If the unpostable was closed within the last 7 days, input a TC 971 AC 111 with the DLN of the identity theft return in the MISC field, see Exhibit 25.25.6-8, Command Code (CC) FRM77 Transaction Code (TC) 971 Action Code (AC) 111 Input Screen. If the unpostable was closed more than 7 days ago or the return is posted, DO NOT input a TC 971 AC 111. Verify the taxpayer's address and update, as necessary. If the taxpayer states they received a refund from the identity theft return, see IRM 21.4.5.12, How to Repay an Erroneous Refund or Return an Erroneous Refund Check or Direct Deposit, to advise the taxpayer to return the refund and initiate Erroneous Refund Procedures. 		
	If the taxpayer will be filing a return or was unable to file a return electronically:		
	Advise the taxpayer to file a paper return by mail to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and to include a Form 14039, <i>Identity Theft Affidavit</i> . Provide the taxpayer with the Submission Processing Campus address for their state per Where to File - Forms and Payments. Advise the taxpayer to not attach the TPP letter to their return because it will delay the processing of the return.		
	If the taxpayer will not be filing a return, advise the taxpayer to respond to the TPP letter stating they did not file the return and to attach a Form 14039 to the response. If the taxpayer no longer has the TPP letter, advise the taxpayer to mail a statement that they did not file the return and attach the Form 14039. The taxpayer should mail their response to Internal Revenue Service, Stop 6579 AUSC, Austin, Texas 73301.		
	Document the authentication results, and other comments in AMS, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries.		

(8) The taxpayer was authenticated and the return is deemed identity theft and is being resolved or has been resolved in the batch process, see the chart below for any additional account actions and to respond to the taxpayer:

IF	AND	THEN
The taxpayer states they filed the tax return.	The return is not posted on MFT 32 as a TC 976 (DLN of the TC 976 matches DLN of the return in question). (Generally, this will be returns for tax year 2021 and returns for tax year 2020 prior to cycle 202247).	 If the UP 126 RC "0" is still open, do not take any action to resolve the unpostable condition. Open an IDRS control base on MFT 30 containing the following information: C#,HOLD432RV,M,32RV 1487355555,* Document the call in AMS as appropriate, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries. Advise the taxpayer that although it may take up to 9 weeks to complete the processing of the return, if expecting a refund, they can visit Where's My Refund?, on irs.gov or on the IRS2Go mobile app after 2 - 3 weeks, to check the refund status, see IRM 21.4.1.4, Refund Inquiry Response Procedures, for additional information. The taxpayer may call toll-free, 800-829-1040 (267-941-1000 for International taxpayers), if they don't have access to the internet or for additional assistance after the 9 week timeframe.
taxpayer states they	-	See IRM 25.25.6.5.5.3, The Taxpayer's Return is Posted on MFT 32.
3 The	The unpostable is closed with a URC "D" or if the unpostable is open and it will be closed in the	not take any action to resolve the

IF	AND	THEN
	batch process with a URC "D". (Generally, this will be returns for tax year 2019 and prior and returns for tax year 2020 on or after cycle 202247)	Return has been Archived/Deleted, to resolve the account and advise the taxpayer.
The taxpayer states they did not file the tax return (any tax year).	The unpostable condition is open or closed.	 If the UP 126 RC "0" is still open, do not take any action to resolve the unpostable condition. Issue an identity theft letter to the taxpayer based on whether the account has a posted TC 971 AC 527 or not, see paragraph 4 of IRM 25.25.6.6.3.1, Procedures for Resolving the Account when the Identity Theft Return is Unpostable (UP) 126 Reason Code (RC) "0". Input a TC 971 AC 506 with the appropriate MISC field based on the account conditions, see paragraph 4 of IRM 25.25.6.6.3.1, Procedures for Resolving the Account when the Identity Theft Return is Unpostable (UP) 126 Reason Code (RC) "0". If the taxpayer states they will be filing a return or was unable to file a return electronically, then the taxpayer must file a paper return by mail to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). Provide the taxpayer with the Submission Processing Campus address for their state per Where to File - Forms and Payments. Advise the taxpayer to not attach the TPP letter to their return because it will delay the processing of the return. If the taxpayer is filing a return, advise the taxpayer they can either expect their refund or a notice within 9 weeks from the received date of their return. If the taxpayer is not required to file or has already mailed their return, do not advise them to mail a return into the IRS. Document the authentication results, and other comments in AMS, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management

IF	AND	THEN
		Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries.

(9) Any taxpayer contact that meets any of the Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) criteria listed in IRM 13.1.7, Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) Case Criteria, should be worked by TAS. If criteria is met, follow procedures outlined in IRM 21.1.3.18, Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) Guidelines, for preparation of Form 911/e-911, Request for Taxpayer Advocate Service Assistance (And Application for Taxpayer Assistance Order).

IRM 25.25.6.5.5 - (3) - Clarified how to identify an open UNP 1260 on CC UPTIN and added clarification on how to identify archived/deleted return through research and checking status of transactions throughout the section.

(3) Follow the chart below to resolve the account and respond to the taxpayer:

AND	THEN
resolution code (URC) field on command code (CC)	See IRM 25.25.6.5.5.1, The Taxpayer's Return was Resolved as Identity Theft, Quality Review Time Frame Not Passed
 information has been reversed on MFT 30 CC TRDBV "CODES" screen page shows return was UNP 1260 A TC 971 AC 111 is posted on MFT 30 	See IRM 25.25.6.5.5.2, The Taxpayer's Return Information has been Reversed on MFT 30 See IRM 25.25.6.5.5.3, The Taxpayer's Return is Posted on MFT 32
	The unpostable resolution code (URC) field on command code (CC) UPTIN is blank The unpostable status is "A" There are notes present in the remarks field of CC UPTIN indicating the return was deemed identity theft The taxpayer's return information has been reversed on MFT 30 CC TRDBV "CODES" screen page shows return was UNP 1260 ATC 971 AC 111 is

IF	AND	THEN
	return in the MISC field • A TC 976 containing the DLN of the taxpayer's return is posted on MFT 32	
4 The return has been archived/deleted		See IRM 25.25.6.5.5.4, The Taxpayer's Return has been Archived/Deleted

IRM 25.25.6.5.5.3 - Added full cycle date 202247 throughout section for clarity.

- (1) The taxpayer was authenticated as required and research of the account indicates the taxpayer's return is posted on MFT 32 and the account has the following conditions:
 - A transaction code (TC) 971 action code (AC) 111 containing the document locator number (DLN) of the taxpayer's return in the MISC field is posted on MFT 30
 - A TC 976 containing the DLN of the taxpayer's return is posted on MFT 32

Note: There may be instances when a Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) account may not contain a TC 971 AC 111 on MFT 30, however the account will have other indications of TPP involvement such as a TC 971/TC972 AC 124 and a TC 971 AC 506 with a MISC field of "WI PRP DDB".

(2) Take the following actions to resolve the account and respond to the taxpayer:

IF	THEN
1	 Follow the procedures in IRM
The return is for tax year 2021 or 2020	25.25.6.7.1, Taxpayer Protection
and an MEF or paper return (for 2020	Program (TPP) Assistors,

IF	THEN
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returns, follow Then section if action is being taken prior to cycle 202247 or if on or after cycle 202247, follow procedures in box 2 below)

Note: Beginning in cycle 202247, returns for tax year 2020 can no longer be moved from MFT 32. If action is taken to move the return from MFT 32 on or after cycle 202247, an unpostable will generate and will be reassigned to the employee for corrective action.

Note: If command code (CC) ENMOD or CC IMFOLE contains a merge transaction, see IRM 3.13.5.25, Transaction Codes Used to Merge Accounts, and Document 6209 Section 8A - Master File Codes, (TC 005/006) for a list of transactions codes involved in merging accounts and follow

Taxpayer Assistance Center (TAC) Assistors, and Identity Theft Victims Assistance (IDTVA) Assistors MFT 32 Reversal Criteria & Procedures.

the instructions in block 2 below.

The return is for tax year 2019 or prior and was filed **electronically (ELF OR MEF)**

Note: Beginning in cycle 202247, follow the instructions in this block for tax years 2020 or prior year returns posted on MFT 32. These returns can no longer be moved from MFT 32. If action is taken to move the return from MFT 32 on or after cycle 202247, this will cause an unpostable to generate and will be reassigned to the emplovee for corrective action.

Also use the instructions in this block for any of the following scenarios:

- The TC 971 AC 111 has been previously input on MFT 32 but the return never posted to MFT 30
- The TC 971 AC 111 is/was unpostable on MFT 32 and the return never posted to MFT 30
- The account has been previously merged.

- Send a Form 4442/e-4442, Inquiry Referral to RIVO using the referral category, "RIVO - TPP". Include "MFT 32 Reversal" The taxpayer was authenticated and add the DLN of the return to be moved from MFT 32 to MFT 30. Verify the DLN number before submitting.
- If a TC 971 AC 506 is present on CC ENMOD, input a TC 972 AC 506 with MISC field "WI IVO IRSERR", see Exhibit 25.23.2-9, IMF Only TC 972 AC 506 Tax-Related, Reversal of Identity Theft Case Closure, IRS Identified.
- If an unreversed TC 971 AC 121/124 is present on the module. input a TC 972 AC 121/124, see Exhibit 25.25.6-6, Transaction Code (TC) 972 Action Code (AC) 121, Action Code (AC) 124, or Action Code (AC) 129 Input Screen.
- Document the call in AMS as appropriate, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services

IF	THEN
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Note: A TC 971 AC 111 will go unpostable (UP) 168 RC 0 if the account has had an account merge or slot completed in the prior or current tax year processing.

- (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries.
- Advise the taxpayer to allow 4-6
 weeks to complete the processing
 of the return. If they are expecting
 a refund and have not received
 their refund after 6 weeks, advise
 the taxpayer to contact us at tollfree number, 800-829-1040 (267941-1000 for International
 taxpayers).

The return is for tax year 2019 or prior and is a **Paper** filed return

Note: Beginning in cycle 202247, returns for tax year 2020 or prior can no longer be moved from MFT 32. If action is taken to move the return from MFT 32 on or after cycle 202247, this will cause an unpostable to generate and will be reassigned to the employee for corrective action.

Also use the instructions in this block for any of the following scenarios:

- The TC 971 AC 111 has been previously input on MFT 32 but the return never posted to MFT 30
- The TC 971 AC 111 is/was unpostable on MFT 32 and the return never posted to MFT 30
- The account has been previously merged.

Note: A TC 971 AC 111 will go unpostable (UP) 168 RC 0 if the account has had an account merge or slot completed in the prior or current tax year processing.

- Ask the taxpayer to submit a signed copy of their tax return by fax and advise that faxing the return will expedite processing.
- They may submit the signed copy via fax to # #
- If the taxpayer cannot submit a faxed copy, ask the taxpayer to mail in the copy of the return.
 Provide the taxpayer with the following address: Internal Revenue Service, Stop 6578 -AUSC, 3651 S IH 35, Austin, TX 73301-0053
- If a TC 971 AC 506 is present on CC ENMOD, input a TC 972 AC 506 with MISC field "WI IVO IRSERR", see Exhibit 25.23.2-9, IMF Only TC 972 AC 506 Tax-Related, Reversal of Identity Theft Case Closure, IRS Identified
- If an unreversed TC 971 AC 121/124 is present on the module, input a TC 972 AC 121/124, see Exhibit 25.25.6-6, Transaction Code (TC) 972 Action Code (AC) 121, Action Code (AC) 124, or Action Code (AC) 129 Input Screen
- Document the call in AMS as appropriate, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5,

IF	THEN		
	Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries • Advise the taxpayer to allow 9 weeks to complete the processing of the return. If they are expecting a refund and have not received their refund after 9 weeks, advise the taxpayer to contact us at toll-free number, 800-829-1040 (267-941-1000 for International taxpayers).		

IRM 25.25.6.5.5.4 - Clarified how to identify an open UNP 1260 on CC UPTIN and added clarification on how to identify archived/deleted return through research and checking status of transactions throughout the section.

- (1) The taxpayer has been authenticated as required and the taxpayer's return was never processed, and is **not** posted on MFT 30 or MFT 32. Research of the account indicates the return has been archived or deleted and the account contains any of the following:
 - The return was never processed and is **not** posted to MFT 30 as a TC 150 or moved to MFT 32 as a TC 976
 AND
 - The CC TRDBV "CODES" screen shows it was unpostable (UP) 126 reason code (RC) "0" and may not be viewable on CC UPTIN
- (2) All authentication processes, research, and actions in the IRMs listed below **must** be followed prior to continuing to the resolution procedures in paragraph 3:
 - IRM 25.25.6.3, Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Basic Authentication and Research
 - IRM 25.25.6.4, Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) High Risk Authentication (HRA) Procedures
 - TAC assistors see IRM 25.23.2.7.2.1, Returns Selected by Identity Theft Filters - Taxpayers Visiting the TAC
 - IRM 25.25.6.5.1, Authentication Passed and the Taxpayer Filed the Return in Question

• IRM 25.25.6.5.5, Previous Taxpayer Protection Program Actions - Return Previously Deemed Identity Theft

(3) Take the following actions to resolve the account and respond to the taxpayer:

IF	AND	THEN
1	The return was electronically (ELF/MEF) filed	 Send a Form 4442/e-4442, <i>Inquiry Referral</i> to RIVO using the referral category, "RIVO - TPP". Include in the remarks the authentication of the taxpayer and the DLN of the taxpayer's return to be sent for processing. If the taxpayer is not a victim of identity theft for the tax period of the return, and there is a TC 971 AC 506 posted in error, reverse the TC 971 AC 506 with a MISC field of "WI IVO IRSERR", see Exhibit 25.23.2-9, IMF Only TC 972 AC 506 Tax-Related, Reversal of Identity Theft Case Closure, IRS Identified. When reversing the TC 971 AC 506, if there is a TC 971 AC 522 posted in error for the same tax period, reverse the TC 971 AC 522 with a TC 972/ AC 522 "WI RICS NOIDT", Exhibit 25.23.2-11, IMF Only TC 972 AC 522. If an unreversed TC 971 AC 121/124 is present on the module, input a TC 972 AC 121/124, see Exhibit 25.25.6-6, Transaction
not be viewable on		Only TC 972 AC 522 - Reversal of TC 972 AC 522. If an unreversed TC 971 AC 121/124 is present on the module, input a TC 972 AC 121/124, see Exhibit 25.25.6-6, Transaction Code (TC) 972 Action Code (AC) 121, Action Code (AC) 124, or Action Code (AC) 129 Input
		Screen. Document the call in AMS as appropriate, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries.

IF	AND	THEN
		 Advise the taxpayer that although it may take up to 9 weeks to complete the processing of the return, if expecting a refund, they can visit Where's My Refund?, on irs.gov or on the IRS2Go mobile app after 2 - 3 weeks, to check the refund status, see IRM 21.4.1.4, Refund Inquiry Response Procedures, for additional information. The taxpayer may call toll-free, 800-829-1040 (267-941-1000 for International taxpayers), if they don't have access to the internet or for additional assistance after the 9 week timeframe.
2 Same conditions as above	The return was a Paper filed return	 Ask the taxpayer to submit a signed copy of their tax return by fax and advise that faxing the return will expedite processing. They may submit the signed copy via fax to # # If the taxpayer cannot submit a faxed copy, ask the taxpayer to mail in the copy. Provide the taxpayer with the following address: Internal Revenue Service, Stop 6578 - AUSC, 3651 S IH 35, Austin, TX 73301-0053 Follow bullets 2-5 in row above to complete actions on the account and advise taxpayer of timeframe.

IRM 25.25.6.6 - (6) - Added reference to the ID verify section for additional information and timeframes when the taxpayer states they authenticated online.

(6) Follow the chart below to advise the taxpayer and resolve the account:

IF	THEN	
#	For unresolved TPP issues:	
	 Advise the taxpayer to visit the ID Verify 	'

IF	THEN
#	website at www.idverify.irs.gov to authenticate their identity (unless you see Letter 4883C or 6330C was issued for year in question). ID Verify is safe and is the fastest option to complete authentication. ID Verify no longer requires the control number on the letter to attempt authentication. • Remind the caller they must have the following documents when they call or access the website: • The TPP letter • A copy of the return they filed (current year/prior year) • A copy of the return for the year prior to the one in question - (if they filed one) • Any supporting documents for each return such as Forms W-2, Forms 1099, Schedule C, Schedule F, etc. • If the taxpayer has been unable to authenticate online or chooses not to, provide the TPP phone number (800-830-5084) and advise taxpayer you are transferring them to the TPP authentication line for further assistance. • If the caller has previously attempted authentication and failed or must visit a TAC office to complete authentication based on TPP markers, see IRM 25.25.6.6.6, Referring the Caller to the Taxpayer Assistance Center (TAC) - Non-Taxpayer Protection Program Assistors, for additional guidance.
1 The taxpayer received a TPP letter but the taxpayer has not filed a return. OR	English - #1018 or Spanish - #1019 See IRM 25.25.6.6.3, Taxpayer Claims Identity Theft - Research.

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IF	THEN
The taxpayer tried to file their return electronically but it was rejected by the IRS because their TIN had been previously used to file a return and the account has TPP indicators.	Advise the toyngyer to follow the instructions in the
The taxpayer is calling in	 Advise the taxpayer to follow the instructions in the letter. (Do not advise the caller to call the TPP line.) The taxpayer must visit the online Id Verify website at www.idverify.irs.gov (ID Verify no longer requires the TPP letter control number to attempt authentication) Advise the taxpayer using the online IDverify website is safe and the fastest way to authenticate their identity. OR Visit the local TAC for assistance, see IRM 25.25.6.6.6, Referring the Caller to the Taxpayer Assistance Center (TAC) - Non TPP Assistors, for additional guidance.
	Exception: #
	See IRM 25.25.6.6.1, Procedures for when the Caller has Received a Taxpayer Protection
The taxpayer states they have	See IRM 25.25.6.6.2, Procedures for when the Caller has Not Received or Lost the Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Letter.
The taxpayer has not received a	See IRM 25.25.6.6.2, Procedures for when the Caller has Not Received or Lost the Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Letter.
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IF The taxpayer states they filed a return and CC UPTIN shows a closed UNP 1260 with URC "0" (IDRS # 148xxxxxxx) and/or CC IMFOLT or TXMODA shows a TC 971 AC 123 with a MISC field "TPP RP".	 Document the call in AMS as appropriate, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries Advise the taxpayer that although it may take up to 9 weeks to complete the processing of the return, if expecting a refund, they can visit Where's My Refund?, on irs.gov or on the IRS2Go mobile app after 2 - 3 weeks, to check the refund status, see IRM 21.4.1.4, Refund Inquiry Response Procedures, for additional information. The taxpayer may call toll-free, 800-829-1040 (267-941-1000 for International taxpayers), if they don't have access to the internet or for additional assistance after the 9 week timeframe.
The taxpayer states they have previously authenticated and have not received their refund or notice. Note: Review IRM 25.25.6.3.5, ID Verify - TPP Online Authentication, for timeframes and additional information if taxpayer states they completed online authentication.	 Determine if the taxpayer has allowed the appropriate processing time frame of 9 weeks from the date they authenticated. If the taxpayer has not allowed 9 weeks from the date they authenticated, advise the taxpayer to allow the appropriate time frame and call back. Advise they can visit Where's My Refund?, on irs.gov or on the IRS2Go mobile app for refund status. If the taxpayer has allowed the appropriate time frame, proceed with the instructions below. Research the account. If the TPP issue has been resolved, see IRM 25.25.6.6.4, Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Issue Resolved - Refund Not Received. If the TPP issue has not been resolved, see IRM 25.25.6.6.5, Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Issue Not Resolved.
The caller is a third-party (not a Power of Attorney (POA)) and the	The third-party is not able to discuss the TPP issue. Advise the caller that you are not able to discuss the account with them without the taxpayer being present. Advise the caller to call

IF	THEN		
9 The Letter 5216, <i>Taxpayer Cannot Authenticate</i> , was issued	 back when the taxpayer is available or have the taxpayer call the IRS. If the taxpayer has receive the TPP letter, advise the caller that the taxpayer may also respond to the letter in writing. Advise the caller to follow the guidance in the letter. If the account was accessed in AMS, document the call in AMS, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Service (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries. If the account was not accessed in AMS, no other account actions are required. 		
10 # [Transfer the caller to the TPP line. Transfer to TPP English - #1018 or Spanish - #1019		

IRM 25.25.6.6.3 - Added clarification on how to identify archived/deleted return through research and checking status of transactions throughout the section.

- (1) Taxpayers may not realize they are a victim of identity theft. The taxpayer may not have received a Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) letter however they are contacting the IRS regarding the filing of their return, or the taxpayer has received a notification their return was rejected by the IRS when they filed electronically (due to their TIN being used previously), or the taxpayer has received a TPP letter and they have not filed a return or are not liable to file a return.
- (2) Prior to taking any actions in this IRM section, authentication procedures should have been completed, see IRM 21.1.3.2.3, Required Taxpayer Authentication, and IRM 21.1.3.2.4, Additional Taxpayer Authentication, as required by the IRM, based on the account issues.
- (3) Research the account for TPP indicators, see IRM 25.25.6.1.7, Taxpayer Protection Program Overview. If the taxpayer states they did not file the return, follow the chart below for the necessary account actions and to respond to the taxpayer:

IF	THEN
The identity theft return is unpostable (UP) 126 reason code (RC) "0"	See IRM 25.25.6.6.3.1, Procedures for Resolving the Account when the Identity Theft Return is Unpostable (UP) 126 Reason Code (RC) "0"
The identity theft return is posted or UP 147 and the account contains an unreversed transaction code (TC) 971 action code (AC) 129	See IRM 25.25.6.6.3.2, Procedures for Resolving the Account when the Identity Theft Return is Posted or Unpostable 147 and the Account contains an Unreversed Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Indicator
	See IRM 25.25.6.6.3.3, Procedures for Resolving the Account when the Identity Theft Return is Posted on MFT 32 or has been Archived
The account contains multiple returns	See IRM 25.25.6.5.2.3, Multiple Returns and the Taxpayer Did Not File Any of the Returns

(4) If the taxpayer is requesting a transcript of their return or the identity theft return, see IRM 21.2.3.5.8, Transcripts and Identity Theft, for further guidance.

IRM 25.25.6.6.3.1 (3-4) - Clarified how to identify an open UNP 1260 on CC UPTIN and added clarification on how to identify archived deleted return through research and checking status of transactions throughout the section. Added full cycle date 202247 throughout section.

(3) The scenarios in the table below cannot be resolved utilizing the TVT tool:

IF	THEN
The taxpayer authenticated and the account shows the UP 126 RC "0" is assigned to IDRS number "1483845470 or "148xxxxxxxx"" which indicates the unpostable condition is being resolved or was resolved by the IAT Batch Tool process.	See IRM 25.25.6.5.4, Authentication Passed and the Account is being Resolved or was Resolved with the Integrated Automation Technologies (IAT) Batch Tool Process.
The TVT tool response indicates there is no unpostable condition, however	If the unpostable is unresolved (OPEN), CC UPTIN will show status "A", and it does not populate on the TVT tool, then the unpostable condition cannot be closed using the TVT tool. The UP 126 RC "0" must be resolved manually on IDRS.
The TVT tool and CC UPTIN indicate there is no open UP 126 RC "0", however an UP 126 RC "0" is "unresolved" on CC TXMODA.	The UP 126 RC "0" will not be able to be resolved because not enough time has passed for the unpostable to be on CC UPTIN. Follow all the instructions in the table below except the instruction to close the UP 126 RC "0".

(4) Follow the instructions in the table below to resolve the account. Utilize the TVT tool when available, unless otherwise directed by the IRM:

IF	AND		THEN
1	The	•	**Due to the TC 971 AC
The return is for tax year	account contains an		111 programming error
2021 or 2020	unreversed transaction		follow IRM 25.25.6.7, MFT
	code (TC) 971 action		32 Procedures - Moving
Note: Beginning in cycle	code (AC) 527 on CC		Identity Theft Returns,
202247, returns for tax	ENMOD		workaround procedures for
year 2020 can no longer			identity theft return.
be moved to MFT 32. If			Complete all bullets below
action is taken to move			first.
the return to MFT 32 on		•	Verify the taxpayer's
or after cycle 202247, an			address and update, as
unpostable will generate			necessary.
and will be reassigned to		•	For identity theft (IDT)
the employee for			returns with a filing status
corrective action.			of married filing jointly

IF	AND	THEN
		 (MFJ) and the taxpayers (TPs) normally file MFJ, update the address for both TPs. For IDT returns with a filing status of MFJ and the TPs are unrelated, update the address for the TP calling. Do not change the address for the other TP. See IRM 25.23.2.8.6.1.1, Resolving Tax-Related Accounts with TC 971 AC 527 WI BREACH DSABLD. Send a Letter 4674C, Identity Theft Post- Adjustment Victim Notification Letter, to the verified address. Use the return address code "TP" and signature code "KA".
		Note: Employees on Cincinnati Service Center (CSC) IDRS will input the letter with return address code "CP" and the signature code "KA".
		Use suggested paragraphs "B89bdxz:" as applicable. Do not include any paragraph referring the taxpayer to an online service.
		 For IDT returns with a filing status of MFJ and the TPs normally file MFJ, address the letter to both TPs. For IDT returns with a filing
		status of MFJ and the TPs are unrelated, only send the letter to the TP calling. Do not send a letter to the other TP.
	<u> </u>	 Input a TC 971 AC 506

IF	AND	THEN
		with MISC field "WI AM OTHER".
		Exception: If the account is a "first time filer" account and the entity is not established; the TC 971 AC 506 cannot be input due to the entity not being established.
		 For IDT returns with a filing status of MFJ and the TPs normally file MFJ, input a TC 971 AC 506 with the MISC field "WI AM OTHER" on both accounts. For IDT returns with a filing status of MFJ and the TPs are unrelated, input the MISC field "WI AM OTHER" for the TP calling. Input the MISC field of "WI PRP DDB" for the other TP. If the taxpayer is the spouse on a jointly filed return and the refund is being held under the primary TIN due the multiple filing condition (DUPTIN), see IRM
		21.6.7.4.5, Multiple Uses of Taxpayer Identification Numbers - CP 36F/TRNS36F (DUPTIN Filing Condition).
		If the account contains an unreversed TC 971 AC 121 or a TC 971 AC 124 (the DLN in the MISC field of the TC 971 AC 124 matches the DLN of the identity theft return), input a TC 972 AC 121 or TC 972 AC 124, see Exhibit 25.25.6-6, Transaction

IF	AND	THEN
		Code (TC) 972 Action Code (AC) 121, Action Code (AC) 124, or Action Code (AC) 129 Input Screen.
		Exception: If the account is a "first time filer" account and the entity is not established; the TC 972 AC 121 or TC 972 AC 124 cannot be input due to the entity not being established.
		 If the account contains an unreversed TC 971 AC 129, input a TC 972 AC 129, see Exhibit 25.25.6-6, Transaction Code (AC) 121, Action Code (AC) 124, or Action Code (AC) 129 Input Screen. If the taxpayer states they will be filing a return, or was unable to file a return electronically, then the taxpayer must file a paper return by mail to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). Provide the taxpayer with the Submission Processing Campus address for their state per Where to File - Forms and Payments. Advise the taxpayer to not attach the TPP letter to their return because it will delay the processing of the return. If the taxpayer is filing a
		return, advise the taxpayer they can either expect their refund or a notice within 9 weeks from the received date of their return.

IF	AND	THEN
		 If the taxpayer is not required to file or has already mailed their return into the IRS, do not advise them to mail a return into the IRS. Document the authentication results, and other comments in AMS, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries.
The return is for tax year 2021 or 2020 Note: Beginning in cycle 202247, returns for tax year 2020 can no longer be moved to MFT 32. If action is taken to move the return to MFT 32 on or after cycle 202247, an unpostable will generate and will be reassigned to the employee for corrective action. Follow box 3 or 4 below as applicable.	The account does not contain an unreversed TC 971 AC 527 on CC ENMOD	 **Due to the TC 971 AC 111 programming error follow IRM 25.25.6.7, MFT 32 Procedures - Moving Identity Theft Returns, workaround procedures for identity theft return. Complete all bullets below first. Verify the taxpayer's address and update, as necessary. For identity theft (IDT) returns with a filing status of married filing jointly (MFJ) and the taxpayers (TPs) normally file MFJ, update the address for both TPs. For IDT returns with a filing status of MFJ and the TPs are unrelated, update the address for the TP calling. Do not change the address for the other TP. Send a Letter 4674C, Identity Theft Post-Adjustment Victim

IF	AND	THEN
		Notification Letter, to the verified address. Use the return address code "TP" Note: Employees on CSC IDRS will input the letter with return address code "CP"
		and the signature code "KA".Use suggested paragraphs
		 "B89bdxz:" as applicable. Do not include any paragraph referring the taxpayer to an online service. For IDT returns with a filing status of MFJ and the TPs normally file MFJ, address the letter to both TPs. For IDT returns with a filing status of MFJ and the TPs are unrelated, only send the letter to the TP calling. Do not send a letter to the other TP. Input a TC 971 AC 506 with MISC field "WI PRP OTHER1" per Exhibit 25.25.4-1, Miscellaneous Fields Used When Inputting Transaction Code (TC) 971 Action Code (AC) 506.
		Exception: If the account is a "first time filer" account and the entity is not established; the TC 971 AC 506 cannot be input due to the entity not being established.
		For IDT returns with a filing status of MFJ and the TPs

IF	AND	THEN
		normally file MFJ, input a TC 971 AC 506 with the MISC field "WI PRP OTHER1" on both accounts. • For IDT returns with a filing status of MFJ and the TPs are unrelated, input the MISC field "WI PRP OTHER1" for the TP calling. Input the MISC field of "WI PRP DDB" for the other TP. • If the taxpayer is the spouse on a jointly filed return and the refund is being held under the primary TIN due the multiple filing condition (DUPTIN), see IRM 21.6.7.4.5, Multiple Uses of Taxpayer Identification Numbers - CP 36F/TRNS36F (DUPTIN Filing Condition). • If the account contains an unreversed TC 971 AC 121 or a TC 971 AC 124 (the DLN in the MISC field of the TC 971 AC 124 matches the DLN of the identity theft return), input a TC 972 AC 121 or TC 972 AC 124, see Exhibit 25.25.6-6, Transaction Code (AC) 121, Action Code (AC) 121, Action Code (AC) 129 Input Screen. Exception: If the account is a "first time filer" account and the entity is not established; the TC 972 AC 124 cannot be input due to the

IF	AND	THEN
		entity not being established.
		 If the account contains an unreversed TC 971 AC 129, input a TC 972 AC 129, see Exhibit 25.25.6-6, Transaction Code (AC) 121, Action Code (AC) 124, or Action Code (AC) 129 Input Screen. If the taxpayer states they will be filing a return, or was unable to file a return electronically, then the taxpayer must file a paper return by mail to the IRS. Provide the taxpayer with the Submission Processing Campus address for their state per Where to File - Forms and Payments. Advise the taxpayer to not attach the TPP letter to their return because it will delay the processing of the return. If the taxpayer is filing a return, advise the taxpayer they can either expect their refund or a notice within 9 weeks from the received date of their return. If the taxpayer is not required to file or has already mailed their return into the IRS, do not advise them to mail a return into the IRS. Document the authentication results, and other comments in AMS, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the
		appropriate issue,

IF	AND		THEN
			see Exhibit 25.25.6-7,
			Account Management
			Services (AMS) Issues for
			Taxpayer Protection
			Program (TPP) Inquiries.
3	The	•	Close the unpostable using
The return is for tax year	account contains an		CC UPRES with a
2019 or prior.	unreversed TC 971 AC		unpostable resolution code
	527 on CC ENMOD		(URC) "D".
Note: Beginning in cycle		•	Verify the taxpayer's
202247, returns for tax			address and update, as
year 2020 or prior can no			necessary.
longer be moved to MFT 32. If action is taken to		•	For identity theft (IDT)
move the return to MFT			returns with a filing status of married filing jointly
32 on or after cycle			(MFJ) and the taxpayers
202247, this will cause an			(TPs) normally file MFJ,
unpostable to generate			update the address for
and will be reassigned to			both TPs.
the employee for		•	For IDT returns with a filing
corrective action.			status of MFJ and the TPs
			are unrelated, update the
			address for the TP calling.
			Do not change the address
			for the other TP.
		•	See IRM 25.23.2.8.6.1.1, Resolving Tax-Related
			Accounts with TC 971 AC
			527 WI BREACH DSABLD.
		•	Use the return address
			code "TP" and signature
			code "KA".
			Note: Employees at CCC
			Note: Employees on CSC
			IDRS will input the letter with return address code
			"CP" and the signature
			code "KA".
		•	For IDT returns with a filing
			status of MFJ and the TPs
			normally file MFJ, address
			the letter to both TPs.
		•	For IDT returns with a filing status of MFJ and the TPs
			are unrelated, only send
			are unrelated, only selld

IF	AND	THEN
		the letter to the TP calling. Do not send a letter to the other TP. Input a TC 971 AC 506 with MISC field "WI AM OTHER".
		Exception: If the account is a "first time filer" account and the entity is not established; the TC 971 AC 506 cannot be input due to the entity not being established.
		 For IDT returns with a filing status of MFJ and the TPs normally file MFJ, input a TC 971 AC 506 with the MISC field "WI AM OTHER" on both accounts. For IDT returns with a filing status of MFJ and the TPs are unrelated, input the MISC field "WI AM OTHER" for the TP calling. Input the MISC field of "WI PRP DDB" for the other TP. If the taxpayer is the spouse on a jointly filed return and the refund is being held under the primary TIN due the multiple filing condition (DUPTIN), see IRM 21.6.7.4.5, Multiple Uses of Taxpayer Identification Numbers - CP 36F/TRNS36F (DUPTIN Filing Condition). If the account contains an unreversed TC 971 AC 121
		or TC 971 AC 124 (the DLN in the MISC field of the TC 971 AC 124 matches the DLN of the

	identity theft return), input a TC 972 AC 121 or TC 972 AC 124, see Exhibit 25.25.6-6, Transaction Code (TC) 972 Action
	Code (AC) 121, Action Code (AC) 124, or Action Code (AC) 129 Input Screen.
	Exception: If the account is a "first time filer" account and the entity is not established; the TC 972 AC 121 or TC 972 AC 124 cannot be input due to the entity not being established.
	 If the account contains an unreversed TC 971 AC 129, input a TC 972 AC 129, see Exhibit 25.25.6-6, Transaction Code (TC) 972 Action Code (AC) 121, Action Code (AC) 124, or Action Code (AC) 129 Input Screen. If the taxpayer states they will be filing a return, or was unable to file a return electronically, then the taxpayer must file a paper return by mail to the IRS. Provide the taxpayer with the Submission Processing Campus address for their state per Where to File - Forms and Payments. Advise the taxpayer to not attach the TPP letter to their return because it will delay the processing of the return. If the taxpayer is filing a return, advise the taxpayer

IF	AND	THEN
		refund or a notice within 9 weeks from the received date of their return. If the taxpayer is not required to file or has already mailed their return into the IRS, do not advise them to mail a return into the IRS. Document the authentication results, and other comments in AMS, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7, Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries.
The return is for tax year 2019 or prior. Note: Beginning in cycle 202247, returns for tax year 2020 or prior can no longer be moved to MFT 32. If action is taken to move the return to MFT 32 on or after cycle 202247, this will cause an unpostable to generate and will be reassigned to the employee for corrective action.	The account does not contain an unreversed TC 971 AC 527 on CC ENMOD	 Close the unpostable using CC UPRES with a URC "D". Verify the taxpayer's address and update, as necessary. For identity theft (IDT) returns with a filing status of married filing jointly (MFJ) and the taxpayers (TPs) normally file MFJ, update the address for both TPs. For IDT returns with a filing status of MFJ and the TPs are unrelated, update the address for the TP calling. Do not change the address for the other TP. Send a Letter 4674C, Identity Theft Post-Adjustment Victim Notification Letter, to the verified address. Use the

IF	AND	THEN
		return address code "TP"
		Note: Employees on CSC IDRS will input the letter with return address code "CP".
		and the signature code "KA".
		 Use suggested paragraphs "B89bdxz:" as applicable. Do not include any paragraph referring the taxpayer to an online service. For IDT returns with a filing status of MFJ and the TPs normally file MFJ, address the letter to both TPs. For IDT returns with a filing status of MFJ and the TPs are unrelated, only send the letter to the TP calling. Do not send a letter to the other TP. Input a TC 971 AC 506 with MISC field "WI PRP OTHER1" per Exhibit 25.25.4-1, Miscellaneous Fields Used When Inputting Transaction Code (TC) 971 Action Code (AC)
		506. Exception: If the account
		is a "first time filer" account and the entity is not established; the TC 971 AC 506 cannot be input due to the entity not being established.
		For IDT returns with a filing status of MFJ and the TPs normally file MFJ, input a TC 971 AC 506 with the

IF	AND	THEN
		established.
		 If the account contains an unreversed TC 971 AC 129, input a TC 972 AC 129, see Exhibit 25.25.6-6, Transaction Code (AC) 121, Action Code (AC) 124, or Action Code (AC) 129 Input Screen. If the taxpayer states they will be filing a return, or was unable to file a return electronically, then the taxpayer must file a paper return by mail to the IRS. Provide the taxpayer with the Submission Processing Campus address for their state per Where to File - Forms and Payments. Advise the taxpayer to not attach the TPP letter to their return because it will delay the processing of the return. If the taxpayer is filing a return, advise the taxpayer they can either expect their refund or a notice within 9 weeks from the received date of their return. If the taxpayer is not required to file or has already mailed their return into the IRS, do not advise them to mail a return into the IRS. Document the authentication results, and other comments in AMS, see IRM 21.2.2.4.5, Account Management Services (AMS). Select the appropriate issue, see Exhibit 25.25.6-7,

IF	AND	THEN
		Account Management Services (AMS) Issues for Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Inquiries.

IRM 25.25.6.6.5 - Added clarification on how to identify archived/deleted return through research and checking status of transactions throughout the section.

- (1) There are instances when the taxpayer previously authenticated and filed the return, and was advised that their Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) issue had been resolved and they would be receiving their refund or be applied, as requested, within 9 weeks (16 weeks for duplicate filing cases), however the account still contains an unresolved TPP issue.
- (2) Prior to taking any actions in this IRM section, authentication procedures should have been completed, see IRM 21.1.3.2.3, Required Taxpayer Authentication, and IRM 21.1.3.2.4, Additional Taxpayer Authentication, as required by the IRM, based on the account issues.
- (3) The chart below contains examples of open or unresolved TPP issues:

IF	AND		
1	The account contains an unreversed transaction code (TC)		
•	971 action code (AC) 129 and no open control to IDRS		
and the refund is held	number 14873XXXXX		
2	The account contains a TC 971 AC 129 and a TC 972 AC 129		
	and the return information has been reversed		
and no refund was			
issued or being held			
3	The account contains another return that is unpostable (UP)		
A return has posted	126 reason code (RC) "0" (may or may not be the taxpayer's		
(may or may not be	return)		
the taxpayer's return)			
4	The return is the taxpayer's return		
The return is UP 126			
RC "0"			
5	The return in question is the taxpayer's return and has posted		
The UP 126 RC "0"	to MFT 32 (a TC 976 will be present) and a TC 971 AC 111		
issue was resolved	will appear on MFT 30 and will contain the DLN of the return		
	in question in the MISC field		
6	The return was archived/deleted -		
	the return was never processed and is not posted to MFT 30		
issue was resolved	as a TC 150 or to MFT 32 as a TC 976		
	AND		

IF	AND
	CC TRDBV CODES screen shows it was UP 126 RC "0" but it
	will no longer be open or show on CC UPTIN

(4) If the account contains any of the scenarios in the table in paragraph 3 above, follow the table below to respond to the caller:

IF	AND	THEN
	AMS contains notes stating the caller	Transfer the caller to the TPP line:
contains an unresolved TPP issue as indicated	previously authenticated (issue type such as TPP- HIGH RISK PASSED/ TAC Passed, etc.)	 English - #1018 Spanish - #1019
The account contains an	previously authenticated and the caller has the TPP letter	See IRM 25.25.6.6.1, Procedures for when the Caller has Received a Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Letter Exception: #
The account contains an unresolved TPP issue	AMS does not contain notes indicating the caller previously authenticated and the caller does not have the TPP letter or cannot locate it	See IRM 25.25.6.6.2, Procedures for when the Caller has Not Received or Lost the Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Letter Exception: #

IRM 25.25.6.7 (3) - Added instructions for programming error causing unpostable TC 971 AC 111. Action includes opening a control base and taking no action on UNP 1260 or input TC 971 AC 111, until the programming is corrected. Updated to full cycle date 202247 throughout to add clarity.

(3) If an unprocessed current tax year return (2021) or preceding tax year (2020) return is identified as an identity theft return, take the following actions:

**Due to current programming issue with TC 971 AC 111 going unpostable, employees will follow the workaround procedures in If/then chart below for current and preceding year returns (2021 and 2020).

Note: Resolve the unpostable condition using the Integrated Automation Technologies (IAT) Taxpayer Verification Tool (TVT).

Reminder: Beginning in cycle 202247, returns for the preceding tax year (example: 2020) cannot be moved **to** or **from** MFT 32. If action is taken to move the return to or from MFT 32 on or after cycle 202247, an unpostable will generate and will be reassigned to the employee for corrective action.

reassigned to the emplo		
IF	AND	THEN
Single/multiple return(s) for tax year 2021 or 2020 and are unpostable (UP) 126 reason code (RC) "0". Note: Beginning in cycle 202247, returns for tax year 2020 can no longer be moved to MFT 32. If action is taken to move the return to MFT 32 on or after cycle 202247, an unpostable will generate and will be reassigned to the employee for corrective action.	The return(s) is/are deemed identity theft.	 Due to the current programming error causing the TC 971 AC 111 transaction to go unpostable, follow workaround procedures. DO NOT input the TC 971 AC 111 DO NOT close the UNP 1260 Open a NEW control base on the MFT 30 with the activity code (IDTXXXXXX) where XXXXXX = last six digits of the DLN in question C#,IDTXXXXXX,A,MISC 1485011111,* Disregard bullets below. Once the programming has been corrected we will resume procedures below. Input TC 971 AC 111 on MFT 30, see Exhibit 25.25.6-8, Command Code (CC) FRM77 Transaction Code (TC) 971 Action code (AC) 111 Input Screen. Using CC UPRES, close the unpostable(s) with a unpostable resolution code (URC) "6" include a computer condition code (CCC) "3" and input a release cycle in the REL CYC field that is one cycle beyond the current cycle (YYYYCC). (Review your action prior to input and ensure REL CYC field 48 is on CC UPRES, otherwise an Unpostable transaction will generate.) Note: If an IDRS error message
		appears "EXISTING CCC 3", post

IF	AND	THEN
		the return using CC UPRES with URC "0", and include in the remarks "EXISTING CCC 3".
Multiple returns for tax year 2021 or 2020 and are UP 126 RC "0". Note: Beginning in cycle 202247, returns for tax year 2020 can no longer be moved to MFT 32. If action is taken to move the return to MFT 32 on or after cycle 202247, an unpostable will generate and will be reassigned to the employee for corrective action.	One return is deemed identity theft and one return is deemed non-identity theft (valid and identity theft returns are unpostable).	 Due to the current programming error causing the TC 971 AC 111 transaction to go unpostable, follow workaround procedures for the identity theft return. DO NOT input the TC 971 AC 111 DO NOT close the UNP 1260 Open a NEW control base on the MFT 30 with the activity code (IDTXXXXXX) where XXXXXX = last six digits of the DLN in question C#,IDTXXXXXXX,A,MISC 1485011111,* Disregard next two bullets below. Once the programming has been corrected we will resume procedures. For the identity theft return, input TC 971 AC 111 on MFT 30, see Exhibit 25.25.6-8, Command Code (CC) FRM77 Transaction Code (TC) 971 Action Code (AC) 111 Input Screen. Verify the DLN entry to avoid processing delays. For the identity theft return, using CC UPRES, close the unpostable with a URC "6" include a CCC "3" and input a release cycle in the REL CYC field that is one cycle beyond the current cycle (YYYYCC). (Review your action prior to input and ensure REL CYC field 48 is on CC UPRES, otherwise an Unpostable transaction will generate.) Note: If an IDRS error message appears "EXISTING CCC 3", post the return using CC UPRES with URC "0", and include in the remarks "EXISTING CCC 3". For the non-identity theft return that is UP 126 RC "0" follow IRM 25.25.6.5, Responding to the

IF	AND	THEN
		Taxpayer and Case Resolution for the Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) Telephone Assistors and Taxpayer Assistance Center (TAC) Assistors, to resolve the unpostable. Include a release cycle in the REL CYC field 48 on CC UPRES that is one cycle beyond the current cycle (YYYYCC).
The identity theft return is UP 126 RC "0" and is for tax year 2021 or 2020. Note: Beginning in cycle 202247 of, returns for tax year 2020 can no longer be moved to MFT 32. If action is taken to move the return to MFT 32 on or after cycle 202247, an unpostable will generate and be reassigned to the employee for corrective action.	the account.	 Due to the current programming error causing the TC 971 AC 111 transaction to go unpostable, follow workaround procedures. DO NOT input the TC 971 AC 111 DO NOT close the UNP 1260 Open a NEW control base on the MFT 30 with the activity code (IDTXXXXXXX) where XXXXXX = last six digits of the DLN in question C#,IDTXXXXXXX,A,MISC 1485011111,* Disregard bullets below. Once the programming has been corrected we will resume procedures below. For the unpostable identity theft return, input TC 971 AC 111 on MFT 30, see Exhibit 25.25.6-8, Command Code (CC) FRM77 Transaction Code (TC) 971 Action Code (AC) 111 Input Screen. Using CC UPRES, close the unpostable with a URC "6" include a CCC "3". Note: If an IDRS error message appears "EXISTING CCC 3", post the return using CC UPRES with URC "0", and include in the remarks "EXISTING CCC 3".

IRM 25.25.6.7.1.1 - Added information regarding TC 971 AC 111 unpostables and link to new section containing procedures.

(1) Effective January 2022, employees who initiate an MFT 32 reversal action on or after Cycle 47 will cause an Unpostable transaction. The unpostable will be reassigned to the initiating employee to take corrective action and resolve the taxpayer's account. In instances where a tool or manual input error causes the TC 971 AC 111 to unpost and the IDT return posts to MFT 30 module, the initiating employee must correct the error. The unpostable transaction will be assigned to initiating employee's IDRS number and corrective actions must be taken to make the taxpayer whole.

Follow the If/Then chart below to correct the account issue:

IF	THEN
An input error is caused by a tool or manual input causing the TC 971	Initiating employee will be assigned the unpostable transaction and will need to take the following actions to correct the account. Back out the ID theft return. Back out all transactions and item/credit references associated with the return. Input the adjustment with a HC 4. Input a TC 971 AC 850 to prevent an erroneous refund when the valid return is processed. Close your unpostable transaction control Reverse TPP markers If an unreversed TC 971 AC 121/124 is present on the module, input a TC 972 AC 121/124, see Exhibit 25.25.6-6, Transaction Code (TC) 972 Action Code (AC) 121, Action Code (AC) 124, or Action Code (AC) 129 Input Screen Update AMS notes to explain corrective actions
A Non-RIVO employee creates an unpostable when the MFT 32 reversal fails when input on or after cycle 202247 for a preceding year and the valid return has to be reprocessed to MFT 30	Follow IRM 25.25.6.8 Archived/Deleted Returns, 4th box for Non-RIVO Employee actions to correct the account and reprocess the return manually
The unpostable is due to the programming error causing the TC 971 AC 111 to unpost as a UPC	See IRM 25.25.6.8.1, Addressing the MFT 32 TC 971 AC 111 Programming

1680 or 1735 and the ld theft return	Error Cases
posted as the TC 150	

IRM 25.25.6.8 - Changed the section title. Changed procedures for ordering returns from spreadsheet workaround to ordering returns from ESTAB and issuing a 418C letter if no return is received. Edited procedures throughout for control bases and added Note in box 4 for Field Assistance employees on ELF/MeF returns.

Archived - Deleted Returns or Failed Systemic MFT 32 Reversals - RIVO and Non-RIVO Employees

- (1) Archived or deleted returns may be present due to the Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) procedures or previous Return Integrity Verification Operations (RIVO) inventory procedures. Failed systemic MFT 32 reversals are caused when an attempt is made to move a return on or after cycle 47 for a preceding year. If the taxpayer subsequently authenticates and verifies the return, the return must be reprocessed manually.
 - RIVO may receive notification of affected accounts via referrals, correspondence, or a report of the archived returns needing treatment.
 - Non-RIVO employee functions may receive an unpostable assigned to them
 due to input errors when attempting to move the return from MFT 32
 systemically on or after Cycle 47 for preceding years.
- (2) RIVO or Non-RIVO function will ensure that returns filed by the taxpayer are processed and refunds are released or applied, as necessary. If an archived or deleted return is deemed as the taxpayer's return or the MFT 32 reversal attempt failed, employee will take the following actions to reprocess the return manually:

Reminder: To prevent delays, for any case with duplicate or multiple controls, case actions must be coordinated with the other control prior to taking any actions on the account.

Caution: If the Assessment Statute Expiration Date (ASED) is imminent (within 120 days) or has expired, see IRM 25.25.6.9, RIVO Statute Procedures for TPP Returns.

IF	THEN	
	 Obtain the return. 	
1	 Paper Returns - Check MFT 32 Reversal 	
RIVO Employee Actions	fax mailbox for the return copy (TXMOD may show a control with activity code"	
The taxpayer's return was	RCDRTXXXXX"	
archived or deleted and needs to	OR	
be sent to processing (returns	 Paper returns - Check AMS "View Images" 	
moved to MFT 32 or that were	link for a copy of the return	
archived/deleted in the TPP	OR	

IF	THEN
IF process as an ID theft return).	 THEN Paper Returns - If no copy found from above search, request the return using CC ESTABV and allow 4 weeks to receive the return (except for any return processed in 2021 with Austin FLC's) For returns processed in 2021 with an Austin FLC, follow 418C procedures below. (This is a temporary process) If the paper return is not received from Files, send a Letter 418C, Amended/Original return Unavailable; Copy Requested, to the taxpayer to request the return copy and include fax number # #. Monitor the account for the return copy and if it is not received within 45 days, follow dummy return procedures in box 2 below. If Electronically (ELF) filed, request the return using command code (CC) TRPRT; if MeFile, request the return using Employee User Portal (EUP). Once the copy of the return is obtained, continue with actions below. If an unreversed TC 971 AC 121/124 is present on the module, input a TC 972 AC 121/124, see Exhibit 25.25.6-6, Transaction Code (TC) 972 Action Code (AC) 121, Action Code (AC) 124, or Action Code (AC) 129 Input Screen If the taxpayer is not a victim of identity theft for the tax period of the return, and there is a transaction code (TC) 971 action code (AC) 506 posted in error, reverse the TC 971 AC 506 by inputting a TC 972 AC 506 "WI IVO IRSERR", see Exhibit 25.23.2-9, IMF Only TC 972 AC 506 Tax-Related, Reversal of Identity Theft Case Closure, IRS Identified. When reversing the TC 971 AC 506, if there is a TC 971 AC 522 posted in error for the same tax period, reverse the TC 971 AC 522. "IMF Only TC 972 AC 522 - Reversal of TC 971 AC 522. If there is a TC 971 AC 506 with "OMM" in
	the MISC field on CC ENMOD for a different tax period, input a TC 971 AC 506 "WI PRP

IF	THEN
	 To prepare the paper or ELF/MeF return for processing, stamp the return in the upper left-hand corner using the RIVO stamp (this identifies the return should be treated as priority in SP). Line through the DLN. Edit Special Processing Code (SPC) "B" to the right of the entity section. Circle out any notation of SPC "M." Circle out any notation of "copy" or "amended." In the signature line notate "Do not Correspond for Signature" If not already present, edit the return received date on the return, see IRM 3.11.3.8.2.1, Types of Received Dates, for valid handwritten received dates. Use the "interest penalty date" in CC TRDBV, access code "IA" is equal to the received date of the return, see IRM 3.11.3.8.2, Determining Received Dates. Note: Do not take any action for any
	missing documentation. SP will correspond with the taxpayer for the missing information.
	 Send the return to SP for processing, see IRM 3.10.73.6, Batching Unnumbered Returns and Documents. If you are working an Identity Theft Assistance Request (ITAR) or Operations Assistance Request (OAR) follow procedures in IRM 25.25.2.11, Special Procedures for Returns Previously Identified as Identity Theft.
	 If the return is in the Scheme Tracking and Referral System (STARS), update the return disposition to "DL" and add a note in STARS stating the reason the return is being deleted, see Exhibit 25.25.13-1, STARS Delete Reasons. Once the return is ready to be sent to
	processing, update the control base on MFT 30 with the following information: CXX,RTP-MMDD,M,32RV (where MMDD is the month and day you are sending the

IF	THEN		
	return to SP) 1487355555,* RIVO will monitor the account and subsequently close the control once the return is posted or if research shows the return is in ERS or other SP area. Once RIVO has sent the return to be reprocessed, the TPP issue was resolved and SP is processing the return. Account research must be completed to determine the status of the return. Reprocessing timeframe is normally 6-8 weeks. **Temporary Guidance due to COVID Delays** Reprocessing of tax returns is taking longer than normal due to COVID backlogs, therefore, do NOT re-send returns to processing, continue to monitor the account.		
RIVO Employee Actions The return could not be obtained from Files or no response was received to the Letter 418C and the return copy was not located on "View Images" or in fax mailbox	 The return must be reprocessed as a Dummy Return. Prepare a Dummy return with all information available on CC TRDBV and other applicable command codes including all forms and schedules. Use the form type Form 1040 for all tax years. DO NOT use Form 1040A or 1040EZ or they will be rejected by SP. Complete all entity entries with the name, address, filing status and TIN area of the return. Include dependent information. Use the taxpayer's most current address of record. Do not use CC IRPTR data as a valid address for the taxpayer. Enter "Prepared by IRS - Do Not Correspond for Signature" on the signature line. Edit the return in the upper left-hand corner using the RIVO stamp (this identifies the return should be treated as priority by SP). For DLN requirements see IRM 21.5.2.4.23.11 (2) Reprocessing "Dummy" Returns. Edit Special Processing Code (SPC) "B" to the right of the entity section. Circle out any notation of SPC "M." Edit the return received date on the return, 		

THEN
see IRM 3.11.3.8.2.1, Types of Received Dates, for valid handwritten received dates. Use the "interest penalty date" in CC TRDBV, access code "IA" is equal to the received date of the return, see IRM 3.11.3.8.2, Determining Received Dates.
Note: Do not take any action for any missing documentation. SP will correspond with the taxpayer for the missing information.
 Send the return to SP for processing, see IRM 3.10.73.6, Batching Unnumbered Returns and Documents. Once the return is ready to be sent to processing, update the control base on MFT 30 with the following information:
 FRE will review the MFT 32 listing for monitor controls with the following indicators to ensure subsequent actions below are completed. Case controls will show activity field "XXRTP-MMDD" XX = AM is Accounts Management

IF	THEN
	XX is the function who sent the return and MMDD is the month and day the return was sent to SP for reprocessing) RIVO MFT 32 team will update Scheme Tracking and Referral System (STARS), update the return disposition to "DL" and add a note in STARS stating the reason the return is being deleted, see Exhibit 25.25.13-1, STARS Delete Reasons. FRE will monitor the account and subsequently close the control once the return is posted or if research shows the return is in ERS or other SP area. **Temporary Guidance due to COVID Delays** Reprocessing of tax returns is taking longer than normal due to COVID backlogs, therefore, do NOT re-send returns to processing.
NON-RIVO Employee Actions The attempt to move the valid return from MFT 32 on or after Cycle 47 on a preceding year failed and the return must be reprocessed manually Note: Field Assistance (FA) employees will only work paper returns per instructions in Then section. For ELF/MeF returns, do not take any action.	 The return can no longer be moved systemically and must be reprocessed. If the return was Electronically (ELF) filed, request the return using command code (CC) TRPRT; if MeFile, request the return using Employee User Portal (EUP). Continue with bullet 4 for remaining actions. If a paper return, initiate a Form 4442, Inquiry Referral, to RIVO using "RIVO - TPP" queue. Include "MFT 32 Reversal Request" the taxpayer was authenticated and add the DLN of the return to be moved from MFT 32 to MFT 30. Verify the DLN number before submitting. Reverse the account markers following bullets below. Remember to review the address and update it to the valid return address. If an unreversed TC 971 AC 121/124 is present on the module, input a TC 972 AC 121/124, see Exhibit 25.25.6-6, Transaction Code (TC) 972 Action Code (AC) 121, Action Code (AC) 124, or Action Code (AC) 129 Input Screen If the taxpayer is not a victim of identity theft for the tax period of the return, and there is a transaction code (TC) 971 action code (AC) 506 posted in error, reverse the TC

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	 971 AC 506 by inputting a TC 972 AC 506 "WI IVO IRSERR", see Exhibit 25.23.2-9, IMF Only TC 972 AC 506 Tax-Related, Reversal of Identity Theft Case Closure, IRS Identified. When reversing the TC 971 AC 506, if there is a TC 971 AC 522 posted in error for the same tax period, reverse the TC 971 AC 522 with a TC 972 AC 522 "WI RICS NOIDT", see IRM 25.23.2-11, IMF Only TC 972 AC 522 - Reversal of TC 971 AC 522. If there is a TC 971 AC 506 with "OMM" in the MISC field on CC ENMOD for a different tax period, input a TC 971 AC 506 "WI PRP OTHER1". To prepare the return for processing, edit the return in the upper left-hand corner and write RIVO (to identify the return should be treated as priority). Line through the DLN. Edit Special Processing Code (SPC) "B." Circle out any notation of SPC "M." Circle out any notation of "copy" or "amended." In the signature line notate "Do not Correspond for Signature". If not already present, edit the return received date on the return, see IRM 3.11.3.8.2.1, Types of Received Dates, for valid handwritten received dates. Use the "interest penalty date" in CC TRDBV, access code "IA" is equal to the received date of the return, see IRM 3.11.3.8.2,
	Determining Received Dates. Note: Do not take any action for any missing documentation. SP will correspond with the taxpayer for the missing information.
	 Send the return to SP for processing, see IRM 3.10.73.6, Batching Unnumbered Returns and Documents. Once the return is ready to be sent to processing, update the control base on MFT 30 with the following information: CXX,XXRTP-MMDD,M,MISC (XX is for AM

IF	THEN
	 and MMDD is the month and day you are sending the return to SP) 1487355555,* RIVO will monitor the account and subsequently close the control once the return is posted or if research shows the return is in ERS or other SP area. **Temporary Guidance due to COVID Delays** Reprocessing of tax returns is taking longer than normal due to COVID backlogs, therefore, do NOT re-send returns to processing.

IRM 25.25.6.8.1 - Added new section for addressing MFT 32 TC 971 AC 111 programming error scenarios and instructions and unpostable transactions open to employees.

Addressing the MFT 32 TC 971 AC 111 Programming Error Cases

- (1) A programming error was identified in March 2022 within the TPP MFT 32 processing. The error is causing the TC 971 AC 111 transaction used to move identity theft returns to the MFT 32 module to go unpostable. There were several account scenarios caused by the programming error that will require account corrections. The taxpayer was authenticated successfully and claimed they did not file the return in question and deemed identity theft. Employees marked the account with the identity theft determination. To assist with identifying the impacted accounts, the account will show the following actions:
 - The UNP 1260 will show it was closed with a URC 6 CCC 3 (some accounts will reflect the actions below, but the UNP 1260 remains open)
 - The unpostable TC 971 AC 111 transaction (some accounts may show an open unpostable control to the originating employee UNP 1680 or UNP 1735)
 - CC ENMOD/IMFOLE will show the Id theft marker TC 971 AC 506 with MISC field of either WI AM OTHER OR WI PRP OTHER1 for tax year in question
 - Letter 4674C was issued
 - AMS notes will indicate there was an identity theft determination and the
 actions taken (i.e. move the identity theft return to MFT 32 UNP 1260 closed
 with URC 6 & CCC 3 and TC 971 AC 111 was input, Id theft marker, 4674C
 letter issued)

There are various scenarios employees may encounter on the account due to the timing of the unpostable TC 971 AC 111 transaction and posting of the TC 150 on

MFT 30 or the TC 976 on MFT 32 modules. Employee must research IDRS, review AMS notes and probe the taxpayer for prior authentication results to assist with identifying the account was impacted by the TC 971 AC 111 programming error.

(2) Employees will respond to the taxpayers using the chart below based on the criteria identified on the account.

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	the TC 971 AC	
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- did not receive it, verify the address and update it, if necessary then issue the letter to the taxpayer,
- Advise the account correction could take approximately 9 weeks
- Open a NEW control base on MFT 30 with the activity code (IDTXXXXXX) which includes the last six digits of the ID theft return DLN (XXXXXX = DLN)

C#,IDTXXXXXX,A,MISC 1485011111,*

- shows TC 971 AC 506 MISC or WI PRP OTHER1 marker
- **CC TXMOD** shows the
- The UNP 1260 was closed with a URC 6 CCC 3
- CC TXMOD shows the unpostable TC 971 AC 111 transaction
- A TC 150 with

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moved).

- Advise the taxpayer of the following:
- If the TC 150 is not posted and account shows a CU 150. DJ 150 or DP 150 with DLN of return in question, advise the taxpayer the account is being monitored to ensure the identity theft return in question does not post. If the taxpayer has filed or will file, advise their return will be processed and may take approximately 20 weeks to be processed
- If the taxpayer has filed and the posted TC 150 is verified as the valid return, advise the taxpayer of the current status.
- The identity theft marker was added, if not present add the marker
- Letter 4674C Identity Theft Post-Adjustment Victim Notification Letter was issued
- If the letter is not on CC ENMOD or taxpayer states they

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(3) Employees who have an open control for Unpostable 1680 or 1735 due to the TC 971 AC 111 unpostable condition can close the unpostable control base.

IRM 25.25.6.9 - Added additional info that must be added to dummy returns and edited control base information.

- (1) The Assessment Statute Expiration Date (ASED) is generally determined as three years after the return due date or the IRS received date, whichever is later. The IRS must assess any tax on the return to the account within 3 years of the date the return was filed. The ASED is considered imminent if the received date of the return plus 3 years is within 90 days of the 3-year assessment limitation. The ASED is barred if the received date of return plus 3 years has passed the 3-year limitation.
- (2) Return Integrity Verification Operations (RIVO) will reprocess returns deemed belonging to the taxpayer identification number (TIN) owner that were archived/deleted or cannot be moved systemically from MFT 32.
- (3) RIVO will follow the chart below to determine the appropriate action for statute imminent or statute barred returns:

IF	THEN
1	Obtain the return.
The ASED is more than	If Electronically (ELF) filed, request the return using
90 days but less than	command code (CC) TRPRT; if MeFile, request the
120 days	return using Employee User Portal (EUP). Continue
	to bullet 4.
OR	 If the return was paper filed, prepare a Dummy
	return with all information available on CC TRDBV
The return has a tax	and other applicable command codes including
liability of zero on the	entity, dependents and all forms and schedules.
total tax line of the return.	
	the module, input a TC 972 AC 121/124,
	see Exhibit 25.25.6-6, Transaction Code (TC) 972

- Action Code (AC) 121, Action Code (AC) 124, or Action Code (AC) 129 Input Screen
- If the taxpayer is not a victim of identity theft for the tax period of the return, and there is a transaction code (TC) 971 action code (AC) 506 posted in error, reverse the TC 971 AC 506 by inputting a TC 972 AC 506 "WI IVO IRSERR", see Exhibit 25.23.2-9, IMF Only TC 972 AC 506 Tax-Related, Reversal of Identity Theft Case Closure, IRS Identified.
- When reversing the TC 971 AC 506, if there is a TC 971 AC 522 posted in error for the same tax period, reverse the TC 971 AC 522 with a TC 972 AC 522 "WI RICS NOIDT", see IRM 25.23.2-11, IMF Only TC 972 AC 522 Reversal of TC 971 AC 522.
- If there is a TC 971 AC 506 with "OMM" in the MISC field on CC ENMOD for a different tax period, input a TC 971 AC 506 "WI PRP OTHER1".
- To complete the return for processing, stamp the return in the upper left-hand corner using the RIVO stamp.
- Line through the document locator number (DLN).
- Edit Special Processing Code (SPC) "B". Circle out any notation of SPC "M".
- On signature line notate "Do not correspond for signature"
- Circle out any notation of "copy" or "amended".
- If not already present, edit the return received date on the return, see IRM 3.11.3.8.2.1, Types of Received Dates, for valid handwritten received dates. Use the "interest penalty date" in CC TRDBV, access code "IA" is equal to the received date of the return, see IRM 3.11.3.8.2, Determining Received Dates.

Note: Do not take any action for any missing documentation. SP will correspond with the taxpayer for the missing information.

- Walk the return through SP for processing, per local procedures.
- If you are working an Identity Theft Assistance Request (ITAR) or Operations Assistance Request (OAR), take any additional actions required per IRM 25.25.2.11, Special Procedures for Returns Previously Identified as Identity Theft.
- If the return is in the Scheme Tracking and Referral System (STARS), update the return disposition to "DL" and add a note in STARS stating the reason

the return is being deleted, see Exhibit 25.25.13-1, STARS Delete Reasons. After sending the return to processing, close the RIVO correspondence control base with an activity of "NONIDTRTN". Open a new control base on MFT 30 with the following information: C#,RTP-MMDD,M,32RV (where MMDD is the month and day you are sending the return to SP) 1487355555,* Prompt assessment procedures must be followed The ASED is imminent due to the imminent ASED. with 90 days OR less Send an email to RIVO Statute Team using email remaining and no TC # . The subject line should be EXPEDITE for Quick Assessment". 150 on the module with a total tax liability The body of the email should include the TIN, tax greater than zero period and DLN of the original return. claimed on the return Open a new control base on MFT 30 C#,PROMT2STAT,A,MISC 1487755555,* If an unreversed TC 971 AC 121/124 is present on the module, input a TC 972 AC 121/124, see Exhibit 25.25.6-6, Transaction Code (TC) 972 Action Code (AC) 121, Action Code (AC) 124, or Action Code (AC) 129 Input Screen. If the taxpaver is not a victim of identity theft for the tax period of the return, and there is a TC 971 AC 506 posted in error, reverse the TC 971 AC 506 by inputting a TC 972/ AC 506 "WI IVO IRSERR", see Exhibit 25.23.2-9, IMF Only TC 972 AC 506 Tax-Related, Reversal of Identity Theft Case Closure, IRS Identified. When reversing the TC 971 AC 506, if there is a TC 971 AC 522 posted in error for the same tax period, reverse the TC 971 AC 522 with a TC 972/ AC 522 "WI RICS NOIDT", see IRM 25,23,2-11, IMF Only TC 972 AC 522 - Reversal of TC 971 AC 522. If there is a TC 971 AC 506 with "OMM" in the MISC field on CC ENMOD for a different tax period, input a TC 971 AC 506 "WI PRP OTHER1". If the return is in the Scheme Tracking and Referral System (STARS), update the return disposition to "DL" and add a note in STARS stating the reason the return is being deleted, see Exhibit 25.25.13-1, STARS Delete Reasons. Do not send the original return to processing.

The ASED is barred and the return has a tax liability greater than zero

Create a dummy return with the following information:

- ♦Use the form type Form 1040 for all form types.
- ♦Add "Dummy Return" at the top of the return
- ♦Complete the name, address, filing status and TIN area of the return. Use the taxpayer's most current address of record. Do not use CC IRPTR data as a valid address for the taxpayer.
- ♦Input zeros on the lines for the adjusted gross income (AGI), the taxable income (TXI), and the tax
- ♦Enter "Dummy Return Prepared by IRS Do Not Correspond for Signature" on the signature line.
- Stamp the return in the upper left-hand corner using the RIVO stamp, edit SPC "B".
- Edit the return received date on the return, see IRM 3.11.3.8.2.1, Types of Received Dates, for valid handwritten received dates. Use the "interest penalty date" in CC TRDBV, access code "IA" is equal to the received date of the return, see IRM 3.11.3.8.2, Determining Received Dates.
- Send the return to SP for processing, see IRM 3.10.73.6, Batching Unnumbered Returns and Documents.
- If an unreversed TC 971 AC 121/124 is present on the module, input a TC 972 AC 121/124, see Exhibit 25.25.6-6, Transaction Code (TC) 972 Action Code (AC) 121, Action Code (AC) 124, or Action Code (AC) 129 Input Screen.
- Update the activity field of the open control base to "RTP-MMDD" (where MMDD is the month and day you are sending the return to SP) and monitor for the return to post.
- Input a history item "STATCASE" on the account.
- If the taxpayer is not a victim of identity theft for the tax period of the return, and there is a TC 971 AC 506 posted in error, reverse the TC 971 AC 506 by inputting a TC 972/ AC 506 "WI IVO IRSERR", see Exhibit 25.23.2-9, IMF Only TC 972 AC 506 Tax-Related, Reversal of Identity Theft Case Closure, IRS Identified.
- When reversing the TC 971 AC 506, if there is a TC 971 AC 522 posted in error for the same tax period, reverse the TC 971 AC 522 with a TC 972/ AC 522 "WI RICS NOIDT", see IRM 25.23.2-11, IMF Only TC 972 AC 522 Reversal of TC 971 AC 522.
- If there is a TC 971 AC 506 with "OMM" in the MISC field on CC ENMOD for a different tax period,

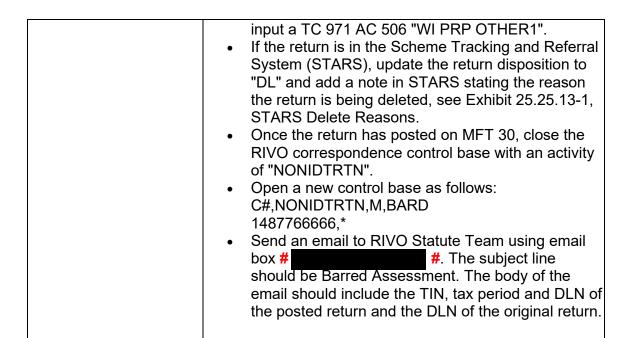


Exhibit 25.25.6-10 - Added new activity controls used for controlling cases.

Return Integrity Verification Operations (RIVO) will utilize various activity fields to identify actions taken or needing to be taken on the account. Below is a listing of some of the activity fields used by RIVO.

ACTIVITY FIELD	DESCRIPTION
TPPMMXXXXX	Regular Taxpayer Protection Program (TPP) response
	received
TPPEXMMXXX	TPP Expedites
1040XMMXXX	Response contains a Form 1040X
4442MMXXXX	Paper 4442
IDTMMXXXXX	Response indicates identity theft (IDT)
NONIDTRTN	Non-Identity Theft Return determination made - RIVO case
	closed
IDTRTN	Identity Theft Return determination made - RIVO case closed
SENT2TAC	The response could not be authenticated. Letter
	3064C or Letter 6167C sent advising the respondent to visit
	the local Taxpayer Assistance Center (TAC) - RIVO case closed
FAILEDAUTH	The response could not be authenticated. Letter 5216 sent -
	RIVO case closed
RTN2PROC	A return provided by the taxpayer was sent to Submission
	Processing (SP) - RIVO case closed
1040X2AM	A Form 1040X was routed to Account Management - RIVO

ACTIVITY FIELD	DESCRIPTION	
	case closed	
1040X2SP	A Form 1040X was routed to SP - RIVO case closed	
NONIDT,	Used to identify an action needed by the analyst on accounts	
NONIDTRESQ,	when the TC 971 AC 129 was reversed - monitoring control	
NONIDTBKLD, IDT		
MFT32REV	Return is being moved from MFT 32 to MFT 30 - monitoring control	
RTP-MMDD	Archived/deleted return or return from MFT 32 is being sent	
	to SP for processing (MMDD is the month and day the return is sent to SP) - monitoring control	
XXRTP-MMDD	Archived/deleted return or return from MFT 32 is being sent	
	to SP for processing (MMDD is the month and day the return	
	is sent to SP) - monitoring control	
IDTXXXXXX	Moving returns to MFT 32 - TC 971 AC 111 Programming	
	Error Cases	
ESTAB1 OR ESTAB2	Return was requested from Files - monitoring control	
CRTTY	The return in question is trying to process to the incorrect tax	
	year - monitoring control	
ERRORCASE	Control placed on incorrect module - closed control	
NOTIVO	No RIVO involvement or RIVO no longer has authority on the	
	case - closed control	
CL2AM, CL2EXAM,	Correspondence is a misroute and was routed to the correct	
CL2WOW, CL2AQC	function/process - closed control	
NEEDDRXXXX	Return needs to be printed from EUP or CC TRPRT or	
	requested from Files - Activity used by FRE analyst to	
	identify action needed by RIVO TE	
NEEDVRXXXX	Return needs to be verified - Activity used by FRE analyst to	
	identify action needed by RIVO TE	
NEEDRRXXXX	Refund needs to be released - Activity used by FRE analyst to identify action needed by RIVO TE	
NEEDLTXXXX	A Letter 0418C needs to be issued - Activity used by FRE analyst to identify action needed by RIVO TE	