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## IMPORTANT TOBACCO TAX AND PERMIT CHANGES

The Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2009 ("the Act") (Public Law 111-3), was signed into law on February 4, 2009. The Act increases the Federal excise taxes on tobacco products and sets forth new permit and enforcement provisions regarding tobacco products and processed tobacco. Also as a consequence of the Act, TTB is currently evaluating methods to distinguish between pipe tobacco and roll-your-own tobacco for purposes of the Federal excise tax. [Read more.](#)

In the coming weeks, TTB will be publishing detailed information to assist industry members in complying with the provisions of the Act (See [Industry Circular 2009-1](#)). We will also be posting updated application forms and floor stocks tax return forms. In addition, we will publish in the Federal Register several rulemaking documents implementing the provisions of the Act.

In the interim, we are providing general guidance and ask that you please contact the National Revenue Center with any questions. Please email your questions about the Act to [ttbtobacco@ttb.treas.gov](mailto:ttbtobacco@ttb.treas.gov) or call the NRC at 1-877-TTB-FAQS (1-877-882-3277) toll free or at (513)-684-3334.

[Click here to read more](#) about these important changes.

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## THIS ISSUE

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Greetings! We hope you are having a great and productive month! This issue includes important Federal tobacco tax and permit changes, as well as, TTB tobacco contacts.

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