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On August 13, 2015, the IRS announced that it released updated versions of the FATCA IDES **User Guide** and the FATCA Metadata XML Schema v1.1 **User Guide**. The new version of the IDES User Guide includes a page on adding or changing administrators on accounts, a section on IDES color-coded alerts, and content revisions regarding metadata files. Financial Institutions, Direct Reporting Non-Financial Foreign Entities, Sponsoring Entities, non-GIIN filers, and Host Country Tax Authorities (hereinafter “IDES Users”) should consult this guide for assistance with access and use of IDES for FATCA reporting.

The new version of the FATCA Metadata XML Schema v1.1 User Guide outlines new data elements in the metadata schema and includes new metadata sample files for illustrative purposes. IDES Users should consult this guide for assistance with preparation and validation of the IDES metadata file used in FATCA reporting.

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