



Dear Client,

June 20, 2011

We are writing this letter to make sure that all our clients are aware of recent email scams claiming to come from the IRS, chances are the email is a scam. Please see the attached e-mail recently sent out.

Here's how you can protect yourself.

**Identifying Scam Emails;** Does the email ask for your credit card, bank account, PIN, password, or other sensitive information?

*"The IRS does not send out unsolicited e-mails or ask for detailed personal and financial information. Additionally, the IRS never asks people for their PIN numbers, passwords or similar access information for their credit card, bank or other financial accounts."*

**Common Themes in Email Scams;** Email scams often trick you into thinking you have a missing refund, are under criminal investigation, refer to a non-existent tax form, or ask for your credit card number. Recent email scams have shown some similarities, such as spelling mistakes and showing tax refunds for an amount that includes dollars and cents. (Usually, tax refunds are for amounts in whole dollars.)

**Don't Click on Links or Open Attachments;** The email probably contains links to Web sites or attachments. Do not click on those links or open any attachments. Those Web pages or attachments could contain malicious software viruses or codes designed to hijack your computer.

**Delete the Email;** You might also want to run a scan of your computer using your antivirus or internet security program.

We hope this information is helpful. If you would like more details about these emails, please don't hesitate to give us a call.

Very truly yours,

***Roback, Kumlander & Pehl***

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*Phony E-Mail*

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**From:** Jennifer\_Pratt@irs.gov  
**Sent:** Monday, June 20, 2011 7:08 AM  
**To:**  
**Subject:** Federal Tax payment returned



Your Tax transaction (ID: 7599405062465), recently initiated from your checking account was rejected by the The Electronic Federal Tax Payment System.

Rejected Tax transaction	
Tax Transaction ID:	7599405062465
Reason for rejection	See details in the report below
Tax Transaction Report	<a href="#">tax_report_7599405062465.pdf.exe</a> (self-extracting archive, Adobe PDF)

Internal Revenue Service, Metro Plex 1, 8401 Corporate Drive, Suite 300, Landover, MD 20785