

# OPTins "Scoop"

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## STATES LOVE OPTins!

"OPTins a real boon for premium tax specialists – at least from my perspective on the state side. It has proven its worth to our department already, and I only expect its value to become stronger as time goes on.

It is so easy! I login to the program, review the PDF version of the filing, check the EFT report, update the filing, and I'm done! Even when there is a problem with the filing, I can use the built-in email feature to notify the company right from the review screen.

The staff at the NAIC has been very helpful and open to suggestions. They even worked with us to adapt the system for use by surplus lines brokers. This has truly been a group effort, and it just keeps getting better! Delaware encourages all insurance premium taxpayers – both companies

and surplus lines brokers – to use OPTins for quarterly and annual premium tax reports, and I urge other states to check it out."

*Ann Fletcher  
Tax and Fees Coordinator  
For Karen Weldin Stewart  
Insurance Commissioner  
Delaware Department of Insurance*



"West Virginia has been using OPTins since mid-March, 2009. We started out accepting quarterly premium tax payments for both insurance companies and surplus lines licensees, but quickly moved to accepting company examination assessments due to the ease of the process.

Working with the NAIC staff to implement OPTins has been an enjoyable experience. Setting us up was fast and painless. In fact, it took a lot longer for us to make the final decision to go with OPTins than it did to get it implemented! We're glad we took the leap.

The online application is very easy to work with. When the filing information is submitted, it is readily available for us to view. We have received a lot positive feedback from both our companies and licensees as to the ease of filing online. At every opportunity, by phone and letter, we are highly recommending that all of our companies and licensees register and use OPTins for their online filings."

*Darlene Parsons  
Insurance Financial Supervisor  
West Virginia*

## DID YOU KNOW?

Arizona will now accept Surplus Lines and AHCCCS filings via OPTins!

For a complete list of states and filings accepted, please contact the OPTins Marketing Team at [optinsmktg@naic.org](mailto:optinsmktg@naic.org) or 816-783-8787.

TriTech customers, did you know that you can use OPTins to eFile in all states that accept OPTins? Try it!

OPTins v3.0 will be released in late 2009.

We will be offering free functionality demos prior to the release, so keep an eye out for notification over the next couple of months.



## TIPS AND TRICKS

Any user with the EFT role has the ability to run an EFT report, which can then be used to reconcile transactions. To run the EFT report:

- Click on the EFT Report link on the toolbar.
- Choose a Begin Date and End Date range for your report.
- Select the Report Format (.csv files can be converted to an Excel spreadsheet).
- Click 'Submit.'

It's that easy! No need to save the report, you can run it again at any time.

The OPTins Help Desk is available 8am - 5pm Central Time, Monday through Friday. Reach the Help Desk at 816-783-8990 or via email, [optinshelp@naic.org](mailto:optinshelp@naic.org).

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