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## INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS OFFERS BULK FILING OVER THE INTERNET

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA, May 20, 2008 . . . . . Effective March 25, 2008, Alabama moved ahead of most states in Internet filing of unemployment taxes by successfully completing and implementing an in-house bulk filing system for wages and contribution reports.

The Alabama Department of Industrial Relations' new bulk filing system enables representative firms, such as payroll services and large accounting firms to file their clients' tax and wage information in a single computer file over the Internet in a matter of seconds. This not only saves employers time and mailing costs, but also greatly reduces the cost of processing information manually.

"Alabama is proud to be a leader in Internet filing and we are seeing a high level of participation," says Tom Surtees, director of the Alabama Department of Industrial Relations. "We are working to further automate in many areas including the possibility of Internet payments at no cost to employers."

Anyone wishing to become a bulk filer, or who has questions about the enhancement, may call 334-242-8075, or send an e-mail to [UC.Tax@dir.alabama.gov](mailto:UC.Tax@dir.alabama.gov). Information and instructions for other forms of Internet filing may be found on the Industrial Relations Web site: <http://dir.alabama.gov>.

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Industrial Relations is an umbrella organization of State government which administers: the Employment Services, Unemployment Insurance, Workers' Compensation, and Labor Market Information. Smaller programs also administered include Abandoned Mine Land Reclamation, Mine Safety and Inspection, and Surface Mining of Non-Fuel Minerals. For more information on Industrial Relations, visit the Web site: <http://dir.alabama.gov>.