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Timeline for the 6th Round of ARRA Section 1512 Quarterly Federal Reporting

January 1 marks the beginning of the sixth round of ARRA Section 1512 Quarterly Reporting. Recipients are required to report between January 1 and 14 and will have only one day, January 15, to review and make corrections to unlocked records. From January 16 through 29, agencies and recipients will communicate (both ways) and federal agencies can unlock records for changes. Data will be posted to Recovery.Gov on January 30. Around February 2, the most recent data will be unlocked and available for recipient changes. Just like the previous “Continuous Q&A Period,” data will be updated on Recovery.gov every other Wednesday.

- January 1 – 14.....Initial Submission Period
- January 15Prime and Sub-Recipient Review and Correction Period
- January 16 – 29.....Federal Agency Review and Recipient Corrections
- January 30.....Data is published on Recovery.gov
- February 2.....Continuous Q&A Period
- March 15.....Final Continuous Q&A data published on Recovery.gov

New Widgets Available on Recovery.Gov

The architects of the federal ARRA website, www.Recovery.gov, have added some new user-friendly features to simplify the data extraction process. In the “Developers” section of Recovery.gov, located online at <http://www.recovery.gov/FAQ/Developer/Pages/default.aspx>, agencies and institutions can find widgets, applications and APIs that will allow users to pull live data and report this information on their own websites.

The online data can now be searched and sorted to create custom reports using the specific search criteria fields (by county or zip code, for example). This application also provides users with a more efficient method of extracting custom reports. Prior to these additions, data extracts were only available from the download center (which remains available), although these reports contained raw data that required additional formatting. The new widgets provide more user-friendly reporting tools that may be posted on recipient websites to provide additional transparency.