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General Comment

Although the VFCP expansion to include self-correction of late 401(k) deposits is welcome, I offer one tweak. Rather than providing 180 days to catch the mistake, the program would be better served to instead reduce that to something tied to the end of the plan year itself. Perhaps a deadline of 120 days following year end. That will give the sponsor (or its TPA) the opportunity to discover any discrepancy as part of its normal year-end administration. If the "one missing week" for the year inadvertently occurred in March rather than December, the error would not have been caught within the 180 days by a TPA provided the year-end data the following January.. But the M.O. would be the same - review the data, analyze errors, prepare corrective action.