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Good morning!

We've made it through February and are now into March, according to Punxsutawney Phil, we're due for an early spring!

Our vendor continues to make updates to SAFE that you will see rolling out over the next few months, a few (of the many) items of interest:

1. Removing all vestiges of the 4473. The extra fields and attestations will go away, saving you time and effort in entry
2. Adding a notification to your dashboard when you have proceeded background checks 25 days or older, so you don't go over the 30 day mark
3. Convert the firearm manufacturer and caliber into free text so you don't have to worry about the drop down list anymore (I know that will make many/all of you happy!)

Also, as a reminder, since the launch of SAFE in August of 2023, my Commander and I have been monitoring SAFE on weekends, holidays, and after hours to ensure it was running smoothly and to be able to quickly respond to your questions. As part of that monitoring, we were able to review those STOPPED (possible stolen gun) status background checks during non-business hours, so that you weren't waiting and wondering about it. However, SAFE is now running solidly, and with the mandatory 10 business day wait in place, we will stop actively monitoring SAFE during non-business hours starting March 2, 2024. This means that any STOPPED status checks will remain on your dashboard until the start of the next business day (usually Monday morning).

And finally, please do not send us copies of your State Firearm Dealer license, Master Business License, or FFL license to update your information within SAFE. We cannot use that information to update your existing account. SAFE queries the Department of Licensing (DOL) database for State Firearm Dealer Licenses, and uses that information to update your expiration in SAFE. If it has been more than a couple weeks since you renewed your State Firearm Dealer License and your expiration is still not showing as updated in SAFE, you will need to contact the agency who issued you the license and have them possibly resubmit the paperwork, along with proof the \$125 fee was paid, to DOL for them to update their database.

Thank you,

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