IN ORDER TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS OF IDENTIFYING AUDIT REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE FROM QUALIFIED INTERMEDIARIES REGARDING THEIR "PRIVATE ARRANGEMENT INTERMEDIARIES" (i.e. PAI'S), THE QI PROGRAM IS NOW REQUESTING QUALIFIED INTERMEDIARIES WITH PRIVATE ARRANGEMENT (PAI) RELATIONSHIPS TO ASSIGN A UNIQUE IDENTIFIER NUMBER TO THEIR PAI'S USING THE FORMAT INDICATED BELOW:

- 1. EACH UNIQUE PAI IDENTIFIER NUMBER SHOULD BEGIN WITH THE <u>LAST</u> 5 DIDGITS OF THEIR RELATED/CONTRACTUAL QI EIN.
- 2. THE NEXT CHARACTER SHOUD BE THE ALPHA LETTER "P".
- 3. THE LAST 3 DIGITS WILL BE A NUMBER BEGINNING WITH ONE (001) AND CONTINUING UPWARD FOR EACH PAI CONTRACTUALLY RELATED TO THE QI.

EXAMPLE: A QI WITH THE QI EIN 98-023xxxxx HAS 3 PAI'S. THE PAI IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS FOR THE 3 PAI'S WOULD BE AS FOLLOWS:

PAI 1: xxxxxP001

PAI 2: xxxxxP002

PAI 3: xxxxxP003

THE AUDIT REPORT FOR EACH PAI SHOULD BE SUBMITTED FULLY REFERENCING THIS UNIQUE <u>PAI</u> IDENTIFIER NUMBER AS WELL AS THE RELATED/CONTRACTUAL <u>QI'S</u> EIN NUMBER. REPORTS SUBMITTED WITHHOUT THE PAI'S UNIQUE IDENTIFIER NUMBER WILL BE REGARDED AS UNFILED, SINCE MANY FIRMS HAVE VERY SIMILAR NAMES AND THEY CANNOT BE EASILY DISTINGUISED BY MANUAL REVIEW. WE LOOK FORWARD TO PARTNERING WITH THE QI COMMUNITY IN THIS EFFORT.

PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR COMPLETED FORMS AT YOUR EARLIEST OPPURTUNITY BY MAILING THE COMPLETED FORM TO:

QUALIFIED INTERMEDIARY PROGRAM 290 BROADWAY, 12TH FLOOR NW NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK 10007 ATTN: PAI IDENTIFICATION UNIT