

# **EDGAR Next:**Preparing for Implementation

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## **Today's Presenters**

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## Agenda

- What is EDGAR Next?
- Background
- Who will be affected?
- Roles & Delegation
- SEC's timeline for EDGAR Next rollout
- How will EDGAR Next filings work?
- Preparing for enrollment with EDGAR Next
- Questions



## What is EDGAR Next?

- EDGAR Next is the SEC's initiative to modernize filer access and account management on the EDGAR system.
- Designed to enhance security, transparency, and ease of use for filers.
- Key features:
  - Centralized account management
  - Stronger authentication using Login.gov
  - Streamlined access for authorized individuals

Source: SEC EDGAR Next Website



# Why is the SEC moving toward EDGAR Next?

#### Security Improvements:

- Reduces risks associated with legacy login credentials.
- Enhances protection against unauthorized access and cyber threats.

#### Efficiency & Transparency:

- Simplifies account management for filers.
- Ensures better tracking of authorized users.

#### Regulatory Compliance:

 Aligns the EDGAR System with modern cybersecurity and authentication standards.



## **Background**

- 2021 SEC announced plans for technical/workflow updates to EDGAR
  - Requested Public Comment
  - Account Management Improvement
  - Filer Access & Security
  - RDG Filings participated in those early calls
- 2024 SEC adopted EDGAR Next
  - Leverages Login.gov for User Authentication (MFA)
  - Security Updates
  - Redesign of the EDGAR Management Dashboard
  - Introduction of Company User Roles
  - Introduction of Delegation



## Who will be affected by EDGAR Next?

- Every active filer, Over 200,000 Active CIK's
- Public companies, investment funds, reporting owners and other EDGAR filers.
- CFOs, Controllers, SEC Reporting Managers, and Compliance Officers.
- Filing Agent & Legal professionals that manage SEC filings.
- Any individuals needing access to EDGAR filing accounts.



## **Roles & Delegation**

- Roles Filing Entities (Companies & Reporting Owners) can now assign account users to various roles within their EDGAR Account to manage various aspects of the company account:
  - Account Administrator (Up to 20)
  - User (Unlimited)
  - Technical Administrator (Up to 20)
- **Delegation** Filing Entities (Companies & Reporting Owners) can now delegate filing privileges to others in order to file on their behalf:
  - Filing Agents
  - Attorneys
  - Etc



## **Account Admin Role**

- Account Management: They oversee the filer's EDGAR account through the new EDGAR Filer
  Management dashboard, including adding and removing users, technical administrators, and other
  account administrators.
- Submissions: They can make submissions on EDGAR using the filer's CIK & CCC.
- Filing Authority: Account administrators can delegate authority to file to other EDGAR accounts.
- **Annual Confirmation:** They are responsible for performing annual confirmations to ensure the accuracy of the filer's information on the dashboard.
- CCC Generation: They can generate or create CCCs (CIK Confirmation Codes).
- Must have 2 (can be the same as Technical Admins)
- Can have up to 20



### **Technical Admin Role**

- **API Token Management:** They are authorized to create, manage, and deactivate filing tokens, which are used for authentication and authorization within the EDGAR system.
- Must have 2 (can be the same as Account Admins)
- Can have up to 20



## **User Role**

- Individuals who make EDGAR submissions.
- Unlimited



## **Delegated Entity**

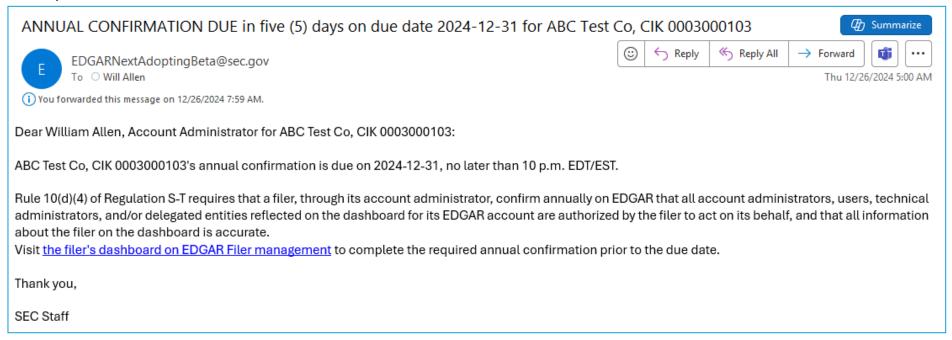
- Other entities with their own EDGAR accounts, such as filing agents, attorneys, etc. who are granted authority to file on behalf of the filer.
- RDG Filings will need to be delegated permission in order to file on your behalf once EDGAR Next has been fully rolled out.



## **Annual Confirmation**

#### Account Admins are responsible for the Annual Confirmation

#### Sample e-mail:





## **Important Information**

- EDGAR Legacy Current EDGAR System
- EDGAR Next Future EDGAR System, Begins Enrollment March 24, 2025.
- These systems will **overlap for 6 months** so filers have time to enroll in EDGAR Next. We can still file via EDGAR Legacy until September 12, 2025.



#### **SEC's Timeline for EDGAR Next**

#### **PREPARE**

BETA OPENS

September 30, 2024

Prepare for EDGAR Next changes

- Individuals authorized by filers obtain Login.gov credentials using the email address they plan to use for EDGAR. Credentials will be needed for beta testing, enrollment, and compliance.
- Filers test in Adopting Beta. If planning to connect to optional APIs, filers develop API connections and adjust their filing applications.
- Filers gather CIK, CCC, and passphrase; identify whom they will authorize as account administrators, and, if connecting to optional APIs, technical administrators (unless using API connections of delegated entity); if planning to delegate authority to file, contact potential delegated entities.
- > Beta remains open until at least December 19, 2025.

#### ENROLL

DASHBOARD GOES LIVE

March 24, 2025

Existing filers: Enroll
Applicants for access: Submit
amended Form ID

- Enrollment opens March 24, 2025, on the dashboard of the new EDGAR Filer Management website.
- Filers have 6 months to enroll before compliance is required and an additional 3 months to enroll thereafter.
- Applicants for EDGAR access (prospective new filers and existing filers who do not have information needed to enroll) must complete and submit amended Form ID on dashboard.
- Option for enrolled filers and filers granted access on amended Form ID to file through submission API and use other APIs starting March 24, 2025.
- All other filers continue filing on EDGAR filing websites per existing process through September 12, 2025.

#### COMPLY

COMPLIANCE REQUIRED

September 15, 2025

Filers must comply with EDGAR
Next changes to file on EDGAR

- To make submissions, filers must be enrolled in EDGAR Next or granted access on amended Form ID.
- Login.gov credentials and completion of multifactor authentication required for login to all EDGAR websites.
- Existing filers may continue to enroll until December 19, 2025, but will not be able to file until they enroll.
- > Filers can no longer file on EDGAR using legacy codes.
- Enrollment ends December 19, 2025. After this date, submission of amended Form ID required to request access to existing accounts.



## RDG's Timeline



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## **Submitting to EDGAR**

EDGAR Legacy ABC Company (Entity)

- Filing Bundle via ThunderDome
  - Documents
  - Images
  - XBRL
  - Entity Filing Info including CIK/CCC

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RDG Filings (Filing Agent)

Log into EDGAR using FA:

- CIK
- CCC



Filed

VS.

EDGAR Next ABC Company (Entity)

- Filer Token (Entity)
- User Token (Individual)
- Filing Bundle via ThunderDome
  - Documents
  - Images
  - XBRL
  - Entity Filing Info including CIK/CCC



RDG Filings (Filing Agent)

Log into EDGAR Next using FA:

- CIK
- CCC
- Delegated Permission
- Filer Token (Entity)
- User Token (Individual)



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**Renewal Frequency:** 

Filer Token (Entity) – 365 Days User Token (Individual) – 30 Days



## **Preparing for EDGAR Next**

**Extremely Important** - Filers need to obtain the following in order to enroll for EDGAR Next:

- CIK
- CCC (Newer than 2019)
- Passphrase (Newer than 2019)
  - <u>Method 1</u> The quickest and easiest way to reset the passphrase is by submitting a request to the EDGAR System to send a security token to the filer's EDGAR point of contact (POC) email address.
  - <u>Method 2</u> Manual update request—limited availability ONLY if unable to reset the passphrase by requesting a security token.
  - Tutorial Available: at <u>helpcenter.rdgclientportal.com/edgar-next/</u>
- RDG Can Help! Contact us for assistance Updating your Passphrase will also update your EDGAR Access Codes (CCC, password, PMAC) so you'll want to coordinate that with RDG to avoid any Filing Day issues.
- Limited window to obtain the above information. After March 24<sup>th</sup> Filers will need to file an amended Form ID to reset the Passphrase.



## **EDGAR Next Enrollment**

- Confirm CIK
- Confirm CCC, and it is current
- Confirm Passphrase, and it is current
- Designate at least two (2) Account Administrators
- Determine the EDGAR CIK annual confirmation date
  - (Mar. 31, Jun. 30, Sept. 30, or Dec. 31)
- Invite all Account Administrators and Users to join the Entity Account
  - They will need to register with Login.gov to access the EDGAR Next Dashboard
- Delegate filing authority to RDG Filings
- Tutorial Available: at <u>helpcenter.rdgclientportal.com/edgar-next/</u>



## RDG Filings – Account Admin

Consider adding RDG Filings as an Account Administrator

#### Benefits:

- Company account must have at least two Account Administrators
- EDGAR Next requires company Account Admins to perform annual confirmation
- If Account Administrators leave your organization or are on leave when EDGAR account needs attention Good idea to have a back up
- RDG can enroll your entity in EDGAR Next



## **Next Steps & Resources**

#### Preparation:

- Gather CIK, CCC & Passphrase
- Determine when you'd like to enroll
- Consider RDG as an Account Admin as well in addition to Delegated Entity

#### Resources:







## **Thank You For Attending!**

Questions?