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On May 10, 2016, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) announced that on April 21, 2016, it has begun accepting an inquiry from a petitioning employer who has filed a change-of-employer or extension of status for Form I-129, Petition for a Nonimmigrant Worker that has been pending for 210 days or more. A petitioner may submit an inquiry by calling USCIS National Customer Service Center (NCSC) at 1-800-375-5283 (TDD for deaf and hard of hearing: 1-800-767-1833). A petitioner must provide NCSC with inquiry information such as the case number (as listed on the USCIS receipt notice) and that the case has been pending for 210 days or more.

USCIS reminds all customers with pending cases to notify USCIS of the address change by mail via form AR-11 or online at <https://www.uscis.gov/addresschange>; and additionally, to request an update of the address for any pending cases through NCSC or <https://www.uscis.gov/addresschange>.

Form I-129 applies to immigration petitions for work visas such as H-1B visa, H-2B visa, H-3 visa, L visa, O visa, P visa, Q visa, R visa, certain E-1 visa,

certain E-2 visa, certain E-3 visa.

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