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Dear CASS™ Vendors:

The United States Postal Service® Address Management office has determined that there is a small percentage of addresses that will produce a false positive match when presented to the DPV™ Split File Product. This false positive match is not present in the base DPV product or in the DPV Flat File Product. These false matches are a problem because they are a delivery point validation of a non-existent address, as well as being an inconsistency between the 3 versions of the product.

We have a solution to the false positive matches which requires a modification to the product files. While the format of the files will not change and your software will not need to be changed, the size of the individual tables in the product will double. This solution was discussed with the vendor community at the 2004 Partnership in Tomorrow meeting, and since no objections were raised, the change will take place with the January 2005 DPV Split File Product.

If you have any questions regarding this issue, please contact our Address Quality technical support staff at 800-331-5747 or via email at Amssupport.ncsc@usps.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Janice E. Caldwell".

Janice E. Caldwell
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