



Patch Release Notes 41.0.3.0

The *PostalOne!* system Patch Release 41.0.3.0 is scheduled to be deployed May 28, 2015 to introduce software fixes to the system. This includes corrections to issues previously identified in a prior release.

These Release Notes provide the contents of the release and affected subsystems.

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1. External Trouble Reports (ETRs) and Engineering Change Requests (ECRs)

1.1 Business Reply Mail (BRM)

Bulk Parcel Return Service (BPRS) validation has been corrected to enable BPRS transactions to be successfully accepted regardless of the BRM fee status. [7300 {B}](#)

1.2 Electronic Verification System (eVS®)

- eVS manifest processing has been updated to enable loading of detail records for electronic file numbers (EFNs) that are processed concurrently. Previously, some manifest files were incorrectly rejected as having duplicate concurrent EFNs, and needed to be processed using the workaround of reloading the affected manifest on the next calendar day. Doing so allowed the duplicate EFNs to be processed using the existing duplicate process, which treats these as manifest errors. Manifest errors are reconciled against the manifested postage for unique mailpieces and charged as manifest errors. [6898 {B}](#)
- eVS manifest processing has been updated to correct an issue which previously prevented the loading of manifest files that had an invalid Entry Facility ZIP Code. [7002 {B}](#)
- eVS processing has been updated to properly assess postage for Priority Mail Commercial Plus™ Price (CPP) contract mailings so that only the authorized mail types covered by the CPP contract receive the specified rate. Previously, an eVS defect erroneously assessed some non-Priority Mail Open and Distribute (PMOD) mailpieces at CPP rates when only Flat Rate Envelopes, Critical Mail and PMOD pieces were covered by the CPP contract. [7215 {B}](#)
- The monthly eVS Reallocation process has been updated to use the Address Management System (AMS) data to properly map eInduction ZIP Codes to Finance Numbers. Prior to this release, the eVS Reallocation process was solely dependent on the ZIP Code/ Finance Number mapping in the Facilities Data Base (FDB), which was out of date for some entries. [7226 {B}](#)

1.3 eInduction

- The *PostalOne!* system no longer assesses additional postage for containers that are misshipped to locations that are downstream (excluding FSS and DDU facilities) of the correct facility (i.e., a location for which no additional transportation or handling cost is incurred by the USPS). When an eInduction container arrives at an entry facility that is downstream of the destination entry claimed within the eDoc, eInduction will not log an error nor invoice additional postage. When an eInduction container fails the misshipped verification by claiming a deeper container destination entry discount than the actual arrival facility, the additional postage calculation will adjust the postage by removing any container destination entry discounts claimed in the eDoc. [6385 {E}](#)
- The *PostalOne!* eInduction system has been updated to correct the way in which scans from USPS Transported messages are handled in relation to scans from Mailer Transported messages. The updated method corrects an issue that previously resulted in some containers being incorrectly reported as errors on the Mailer Scorecard for the Surface Visibility (SV) site. This occurred when the eInduction system received a scan from a USPS Transported message on the same container for which it had previously received a Mailer Transported scan. To correct this issue, the following business rules have been implemented: [7211 {E}](#)
 - o eInduction processes a Mailer Transported scan on an eInduction container that is accepted.
 - o eInduction processes a USPS Transported scan on an eInduction container that is accepted.
 - o eInduction prioritizes Mailer Transported scans over USPS Transported scans for the same container within 45 days of the previous container's mailing date.
 - o eInduction bypasses post-induction validation of a USPS Transported container scan when a Mailer Transported scan was previously received and accepted for the same container within a 45-day timeframe.
 - o eInduction overrides USPS Transported scans with Mailer Transported scans for the same container within 45 days of the previous container's mailing date and reruns post-induction validations.

1.4 Flats Sequencing System (FSS)

The Qualification Report and the Presort Accuracy Validation and Evaluation (PAVE™) column headings have been updated to be consistent with the designation in the Domestic Mail Manual (DMM). The Flats Sequencing System

(FSS) piece and container abbreviations for the column headings are as follows: SB (=FSS Barcoded) and SD (=FSS Non-Barcoded). The label for a new entry level FSS Facility is FSF. [7171 {E}](#)

Category	Qualification Report Column Heading	Type
New Rate/Piece Codes	SB	FSS Barcoded
New Rate/Piece Codes	SD	FSS Non-Barcoded
New Entry Level	FSF	FSS Facility

1.5 Full-Service MicroStrategy Reports

- The Mail Owner Scorecard has been updated to accurately reflect seamless volume for electronically submitted mailing jobs that have multiple mail owners for the same job segment. Previously, in this scenario, the Mail Owner Scorecard seamless volume metrics had the potential to be inflated due to a logic error in data retrieval of the volume information. The impacted metrics on the Mail Owner Scorecard included: # Seamless Acceptance Containers, # Seamless Acceptance Handling Units, # Seamless Acceptance Pieces, % Volume Seamless Acceptance, % Nesting/Sortation Piece Errors (MPE), and % Delivery Point Errors. In addition, historical data has been corrected for the affected mailing jobs. [7196 {B}](#)
- The previous month's data for the Mailer Profile tab on the Mailer Scorecard is locked down after the 10th day of the current month. For consistency in reporting and invoice processing, no mailer profile data from the previous month is updated after the 10th day of the current month. [6461 {B}](#)

1.6 Full-Service Postage Statement Processing

- Postage statement entry has been updated to properly display line A64 for Bound Printed Matter (BPM) postage statements (PS Form 3605) on the postage statement line entry page through BMEU and Postal Wizard. BPM line A64 is displayed in a separate section as "Part A: Presorted – Entry DFSS FSS Facility Container Flats". Previously, BPM line A64 was incorrectly grouped with line A63 on the line entry page. Both lines displayed correctly on the review page for PS Form 3605 in the *PostalOne!* system BMEU and Postal Wizard. [7258 {B}](#)
- An issue has been corrected to properly display sections A and B on the *PostalOne!* system postage statement line entry page for BMEU and Postal Wizard users entering First-Class Mail Letters or Flats with an NSA permit. Previously, BMEU or Postal Wizard entry of a First-Class Mail postage statement using an NSA permit resulted in lines A7 – A11 and B7 – B11 not appearing on the postage statement line entry page. All lines appeared correctly when a non-NSA permit was used for entry of a First-Class Mail postage statement through the *PostalOne!* system via BMEU or Postal Wizard. [7259 {B}](#)

1.7 MicroStrategy Reports

- The Mail Owner Scorecard Seamless tab has been updated to correct an issue in which a banner sometimes appeared across the lower section of the page that incorrectly blocked users' access to the horizontal scroll bar. The issue occurred when there were more columns on the report than could be displayed in a single window. As a workaround, users could click the area below the metrics and then use the left and right arrow keys to scroll horizontally on the affected pages. [7269 {E}](#)
- The Mailer Scorecard has been updated in several areas as described below. [7150 {E}](#)
 - The Sampling metrics section on the Seamless tab has been renamed to "Sampling Verifications".
 - The Move Update metrics section of the Electronic Verification tab has been renamed to "Move/Update Verifications"
 - The calculation of the undocumented error percentage on the MicroStrategy Mailer Scorecard has been updated to use the following method:
 - # Undocumented Pieces / (# Undocumented Pieces + # Associated Pieces)

1.8 Reports

- The Metered Postage Statement Summary Report has been updated to correctly reflect the postage affixed for Metered First-Class Mail pieces with exact postage affixed. The per-piece affixed postage is displayed in the "Rate per Piece" column, and the total affixed postage is displayed as "Less Postage Affixed" in the summary section of the report. For Metered mailings that have multiple affixed piece rates, the report displays "Various" in the "Rate per Piece" column. Prior to this release, the Metered Postage Statement Summary Report incorrectly displayed a negative postage affixed amount in the "Rate per Piece" column for Metered First-Class Mail pieces

with exact postage affixed. The summary section of the report displayed an incorrect total affixed postage for “Less Postage Affixed”. This was a display issue only and postage was not affected. In addition to the correction on the Metered Postage Statement Summary Report, the same correction was made to the Customer Mail Report and the Summary ZIP Destination Report, which had also been affected by the issue. [7062 {B}](#)

1.9 Scan-Based Payment (SBP)

SBP has been updated to correctly assess postage for Parcel Return Service (PRS) samples with balloon indicator. Previously, PRS balloon samples with a Negotiated Service Agreement (NSA) contract in place were not assessed at the contracted rate. PRS balloon samples without an NSA contract in place were converted to Parcel Select Non-Presort pieces correctly, but were not assessed at the balloon rate. [7292 {B}](#)

1.10 Seamless Acceptance and Service Performance (SASP)

- *PostalOne!* SASP processing of Mail.dat postage statements has been updated to properly handle sibling containers that have a supplemental container. Prior to this release, supplemental containers of siblings where the supplemental container itself was a sibling were not referenced to the original container. As a result, the supplemental container was excluded from SASP processing, causing the extract to fail. [7174 {B}](#)
- Combined co-palletized mailing jobs submitted by Mail.XML are now successfully extracted to SASP. Mail.XML processing has been updated to send only the master postage statement to SASP in a combined co-palletized mailing. Previously, Mail.XML processing created one extract record for each statement in the combined mailing, causing the extract to fail. [7199 {B}](#)
- Combined postage statements submitted by Mail.XML are now successfully extracted to SASP. A recent update to the SASP extract process for Mail.XML combined postage statements changed the process so that master postage statements instead of child statements are sent to SASP. However, the updated methodology no longer provided a container count on the header record. Since the SASP business rules require a container count on the header record, combined Mail.XML postage statements failed the SASP extract. The SASP extract process has been updated to provide the container count on the header by tallying the containers from the child statements. [7200 {B}](#)
- The Postage Assessment Summary Report has been updated to correct an issue that previously caused the “# of Seamless Acceptance Jobs – Invoice Eligible” metric to be inflated in some cases. The metric was incorrectly counted multiple times when a mailing group spanned more than one month, since the Invoice Eligible # of Jobs was counted once for each month in which it appeared, rather than only the first month in which it appeared. This issue did not affect postage and did not affect the Mailer Scorecard metrics. [7225 {B}](#)

1.11 Self-Service Terminal (SST)

- The Self-Service Terminal (SST) interface has been updated to accommodate check-in of a postage statement with a mailing date more than 30 days into the future. When an SST user attempts to check in a postage statement that has a mailing date more than 30 days beyond the current date, a message is now displayed to the user directing them to a BMEU clerk for further assistance with check-in. Prior to this release, the SST did not check for mailing dates in the future when a postage statement was checked in. [7161 {E}](#)
- Self-Service Terminal (SST) validation has been updated to provide more specific information in order to differentiate between error conditions for users attempting to check in a Special Postage Payment Statement (SPPS). Previously, the SST interface provided a generic validation message for SPPS statements (“Special Postage Payment Statements cannot be processed through this terminal.”) regardless of the error condition encountered. An updated message now appears for SPPS statements where the Affixed Postage is greater than the USPS Total Postage. [7229 {E}](#)
- The SST check-in process has been updated to correctly determine the Facility ID for Mail Anywhere postage statements. Prior to this release, for Mail Anywhere statements presented without a Facility ID populated, SST derived the Facility ID using the finance number of the permit instead of the finance number of the post office where the mail was presented. [7268 {E}](#)