

User Group 1 “PostalOne! / SASP / Intelligent Mail”

Minutes
December 4, 2014

Minutes by Agenda Items

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Welcome and Opening Remarks (*Kathryn Mackey*)

Release 40 January 2015 CAT Mailers Schedule (*Terry Purcell / IT*)

CAT testing will begin Wednesday, December 10, 2014 and end Friday, January 9, 2014. The CAT Mailer Kickoff meeting is scheduled Monday, December 8, 2014.

The meetings will be held twice weekly on Monday and Wednesday beginning December 15, 2014.

Review of Release 39 Known Issues (*USPS*)

The following known issues were reviewed.

- **5458** - Postal Wizard - Customer is getting timestamp error while submitting job in Postal Wizard. **Closed, corrected on Dec 2, 2014**
- **5467** - Mailers Mail.dat PS 3541 Periodicals Postage Statement not reporting 3541 line E71, Origin Post Office/DMU Pallet Price.
- **5542** - Periodicals - Mail.dat Periodical Weight Validation Errors on Permit Entry Dashboard. **Closed**
- **5826** - Bound Printed Matter - Failing on Calculation of Per Pound to Postal Pieces for any mailpiece under 1 pound – Display only issue, no impact to Postage amount.
- **5831** - STD Market Parcel Part Receipt and report displaying incorrect total mail volume and postage amount however the postage is charged correctly – Display issue only.
- **5866** - Periodicals - BCG and BMEU entered Statements cannot Claim Nonprofit or Classroom rates if the CRID is not Nonprofit. – **Closed, corrected on December 4, 2014.**

There was a question to determine if a fix was implemented for auto-finalization issue. Currently, ALM Item 5833 is open referencing auto-finalization, under IT review.

Patch Release 39.0.0.0.1 will deploy Thursday, December 4, 2014 and Patch Release 39.1.0 will deploy Thursday, December 11, 2014. No Mail.dat Client is required.

Action Item

Once ALM 5467 is corrected, what is the adjustment going to be. IT Team and HQ Mail Entry will investigate and report back to the group next week.

Incentive Changes (HQ Mobile Program Office)

The following questions were presented and answered by USPS

- Can a mail service provider validate that a customer has been pre-verified and approved for an incentive?
A. A validation letter and/or email will be provided upon approval. We are investigating additional ways to be able to communicate when approvals have been granted.
- Right now the verification occurs at postage payment as opposed to when the file is uploaded. If the file is checked at upload it would allow customers to obtain the pre-verification required – is it possible to change?
A. We will discuss this further with the technology team to determine the ability to incorporate this change.
- How is someone identified as having been pre-verified?
A. A validation letter and/or email will be provided upon approval. We are investigating additional ways to be able to communicate when approvals have been granted.
- What if a client is producing multiple different pieces, how does the MSP know which ones are pre-verified and which are not?
A. We need a little more clarity on this question, because our Program

Requirements documents have always stated:

Combined and Commingled Mailings

- In a commingled, combined or co-mailing, separate postage statements must be used for mailpieces not meeting promotion requirements.
- Standard Mail commingled, combined, and co-mail mailings (including MLOCR mailings) may only qualify for the Promotion if:
 - All of the pieces commingled in the mailing meet program requirements, or;
 - The mailings include multiple clients (or versions) but have separate postage statements generated for the mailpieces that contain mobile barcodes.
- Is this for all incentives?
A. It is currently being reviewed for use with the Emerging and Advanced Technology and Mail Drives Mobile Engagement Promotions. Further review is necessary to determine if it will be used for the Color Trans Promo Promotion. The pre-verification is not required for the Earned Value Promotion due to the setup of that particular promotion.

 **Review of Action Items** (*Jessie Davidson / Adam Racine*)

USPS is currently conducting internal discussion and will report back to the group at a future meeting.

 **Validation - Mail Owner MID / CRID / Permit** (*Phillip Parrish*)

ALM Item 5859 - Mail.dat/Mail.XML - Permit Holder nonprofit authorization allows owners to obtain discount.

For Full Service submissions, a Mail Owner must be populated on each Mail Piece Unit.

The system checks whether *either* the Permit Holder (.mpa Permit Number, .mpa Postage Payment Method, .mpa Permit ZIP +4) *or* the Mail Owner (multiple options MID, CRID or Permit) has a nonprofit authorization. Since a Mail Owner must be populated, it may be different than Permit Holder and the system should only confirm the Mail Owner is authorized.

Prior to R39, *either* the Permit Holder (.mpa Permit Number, .mpa Postage Payment Method, .mpa Permit ZIP +4) *or* the Mail Owner's Lcl Permit Ref Num / Int'l Bill Num, Mail Owner's Lcl Permit Ref Num/ Int'l Bill Num - Type must be authorized.

With R39, *either* the Permit Holder (.mpa Permit Number, .mpa Postage Payment Method, .mpa Permit ZIP +4) *or* the Mail Owner identified by any (cpt Mailer ID of Mail Owner, mpa Mailer ID of Mail Owner, cpt CRID of Mail Owner, mpa CRID of Mail Owner, Mail Owner's Lcl Permit Ref Num / Int'l Bill Num, Mail Owner's Lcl Permit Ref Num/ Int'l Bill Num - Type) must be authorized.

For non Full Service, a Mail Owner is not required, so the Permit Holder should be checked to determine if the role is authorized for nonprofit.

 **Issues List**

The following new issues were reviewed.

ALM Items

5866 - Periodicals - BCG and BMEU entered Statements cannot Claim Nonprofit or Classroom rates if the CRID is not Nonprofit.

5848 - Postal Wizard - Customer is getting timestamp error while submitting job in Postal Wizard.

5844 - Extra Service of IMpb Non-compliance, Line S23 populates for FCM postcards.

5826 - Bound Printed Matter - Failing on Calculation of Per Pound to Postal Pieces for any mailpiece under 1 pound.

5831 - STD Market Parcel Part Receipt and report displaying incorrect total mail volume and postage amount however the postage is charged correctly – Display issue only.

5835 - Mail Anywhere Statement cannot be reversed at the Post Office of Mailing.

5542 - Periodicals - Mail.dat Periodical Weight Validation Errors on Permit Entry Dashboard. **Closed**

5816 - Mail.dat – Payment Account Number displaying in the MPA Record Status field on the File Details screen of the MDR Client.

5780 - Mail.dat: Duplicate cqt records in SASP view.

5755 - Mail.dat/Mail.xml Physical Siblings missing from SASP Mixed Views.

5746 - Mail.xml SASP Views missing physical sibling containers for copal.

5749 - Mail.xml - Periodicals In County Pound Lines Display Incorrect Postage

5732 - eVS sampling compliance report displays multiple lines when a site id is mapped to more than one entry facility zip.

5711 – Bound Printed Matter DAL/DML lines counting towards total pieces

5697 - Prod and TEM - Standard Mail Metered Lowest not charging correct Pound price and no piece price

 **Error Validation:** New eDOC Error validation has been introduced in R 39. Complete list of new Validation codes are available :

https://ribbs.usps.gov/intelligentmail_schedule2014/releaseoverview2014.cfm

Validation Code	Validation Description	Validation Action
4646 (Error)	The .mpu Postage Affixed Type must be blank when the .mpa Postage Payment Method is populated with P = Permit.	Do not populate the .mpu Postage Affixed Type.

 **Action Items**

ALM 5467 - once corrected, what is the adjustment going to be. Uni will investigate and report back to the group.

ALM 5835 - Mail Anywhere Statement cannot be reversed at the Post Office of Mailing. Uni will investigate and report back to the group.

 **Other**

Due to upcoming holidays, the following meetings are canceled.

December 25, 2014 (Christmas)

January 1, 2015 (New Years Day)

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