

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

## Minutes

December 11, 2014

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### Minutes by Agenda Items

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#### **Welcome and Opening Remarks** *(Kathryn Mackey)*

#### **Business Customer Gateway (BCG) Password Changes** *(Barbara Wheeler)*

The Postal Service is initiating a password standard for Postal applications. This is in compliance with the federal standard, Federal Identity Credential and Access Management (FICAM). This started for new users and those who forgot or changed their password November 13, 2014 and after. All others will be directed to change within the next quarter (January 2015 – April 2015).

The new password combination must include the following.

- minimum of 10 characters (up to 50)
- lowercase alphanumeric
- uppercase alphanumeric
- numeric character
- special character

This password change will affect any scripts used to access Postal applications. Currently, there is not a password change frequency.

#### **Patch Release 39.1.0 Notes** *(Kathryn Mackey)*

Patch Release 39.1.0 was deployed Thursday, December 11, 2014. The release notes were reviewed during the meeting and are posted to [https://ribbs.usps.gov/intelligentmail\\_schedule2014/releases/nov2014/releasenotes.cfm](https://ribbs.usps.gov/intelligentmail_schedule2014/releases/nov2014/releasenotes.cfm)

The question was asked if all Mailer Scorecard fixes will be deployed after this patch release? Jennifer stated that USPS is working internally to validate the data and hope to have completed by Monday. Communication will be sent to inform mailers when to move forward with the Mailer Scorecard.

#### **Submit ALL Helpdesk Tickets and New Issues Prior to MTAC UG 1 Meeting for Discussion** *(USPS)*

USPS requests ALL Helpdesk tickets along with any new issues are submitted to the MTAC UG 1 email account [MTAC\\_UG1@usps.gov](mailto:MTAC_UG1@usps.gov). This is to ensure all parties (Business and IT) have the opportunity to research and provide the most accurate response available.

### **Review of Last Week's Action Items** (*PostalOne! IT*)

- Auto Finalization – ALM Items 5895 and 5833. Item 5895 was deployed with Patch Release 39.1.0 (December 11, 2014). Item 5833 is targeted for Release 40.0 (January 25, 2015).
- ALM 5467 - Mailers Mail.dat PS 3541 Periodicals Postage Statement. This is currently targeted for Release 41. There will be internal discussion regarding this item and USPS will report back at the next meeting.
- ALM 5835, Mail Anywhere Statement cannot be reversed at the Post Office of Mailing – Item 5835 was deployed with Patch Release 39.1.0 (December 11, 2014).
- ALM 5884 – Mail.dat: Error 4646 incorrectly throwing for Tray-Based Consolidator file – No schedule for Target release
- Deepest discount (Warning 7234) – deferred discussion until next week, HQ Mobile Program Office will present this.

### **PostalOne!® Release 39.0 Know Issue**

*PostalOne!®* Release 39.0 Known Issue – ALM 2781, (SASP) An issue was discovered with Release 39.0 that affects Full-Service mailers using ACS. Specifically, the system was not populating the new city field in Full-Service ACS reports returned to mailers between November 30, 2014 and December 4, 2014.

This issue was resolved on December 5 and complete records will be resent to affected mailers between December 11 and 16, 2014.

### **Issues List**

The following new issues were reviewed.

#### **ALM Items**

**5912** - Mail.dat: Periodicals SASP Extract fails due to duplicate containers.

**5896** - Mail.dat: Firm Bundle pqt record with one piece and one copy fails.

**5890** - Mail.xml 8378 throwing for containers with full service pieces.

**5888** - BCG View Transactions Report Display Issue.

**5887** - Mail.XML - Issue impact display of CRID information for Mailing Agent and prevent mail preparer to view their statements.

**5879** – Mailer is still experiencing an error validation for Mail.dat Error 4555 incorrectly throwing when submitting First Class Single Piece marked as Retail in Preprod environment, this error validation has been turned off and changed to “warning”.

ALM 5846 has been created for Preprod.

## Action Items

### MTAC User Group 1 Meeting Action Items

Action Item #	Date Open	ALM Item #	Descriptions	Owner	Comments	Due Date	Date Closed
1	12/4/2014		Update Incentive MTAC User Group 8	HQ Mobile Program Office	HQ Mobile Program Office requested for additional time to provide the status of Pre-verification process	12/18/2014	
2	12/11/2014	2594	Mail.dat – First Class Residual Single-Piece validation throwing incorrectly when Automation or Presort pieces	IT Team	This error validation has been turned off and changed to Warning	12/18/2014	
3	12/11/2014	5351	Mail.dat/Mail.XML - Periodical Machinable Flats Max Weight Validations. - When is the target release?		No target release, This item should be worked by MDX. The information required to validate bundle sortation is not available at the point where this error is currently thrown. This should be moved to MDX back end; a new validation is needed to check the weights during line mapping. The error thrown by the financial code should be removed. This error needs to be created for both Mail.dat and Mail.xml submissions.	12/18/2014	
4	12/11/2014	5467	Mailers Mail.dat PS 3541 Periodicals Postage Statement not reporting 3541 line E71, Origin Post Office/DMU Pallet Price. What is the postage amount collection process?	HQ Mail Entry	Mailers request an update	1/8/2015	
5	12/11/2014	5833	Auto Finalization - Unable to finalize Mail.dat/MailXML Seamless job due to fee lookup database table failure - will impact auto-finalizable postage at the point of submission.	Darrell Uni	Targeted for Release 40.0, January 2015		
6	12/11/2014	5835	Mail Anywhere Statement cannot be reversed at the Post Office of Mailing.	Darrell Uni	Deployed Release 39.1.0 9 (corrected on Dec 11, 2104)		12/11/2014
7	12/11/2014	5879	Mail.dat Error 4555 incorrectly throwing when submitting First Class Single Piece marked as Retail The error has been downgraded to a warning in Prod and TEM; however it remains a warning in Preprod. <i>An ALM defect will be created for the Preprod environment.</i>	Darrell Uni	No target release, This item should be worked by MDX. The information required to validate bundle sortation is not available at the point where this error is currently thrown. This should be moved to MDX back end; a new validation is needed to check the w		
8	12/11/2014	5884	Mail.dat: Error 4646 incorrectly throwing for Tray-Based Consolidator file		Error validation has been turned off to warning. Watt has modified his files to remove the Postage Affixed information for Permit Imprint mailing		12/11/2014
9	12/11/2014	5890	Mail.XML 8378 throwing for containers with Full-Service pieces. USPS will schedule a meeting with the mailer for further discussion and resolution.	Darrell Uni	No target release		
10	12/11/2014	5895	Auto Finalization - Postage statement full service pieces are being computed against the total pieces in a mailing and not the total number of full service eligible pieces in a mailing	Darrell Uni	Deployed Release 39.1.0		
11	12/11/2014	5896	Mail.dat: Periodicals Firm Bundle .pqt record with one piece and one copy fails. Watt would like to see this issue resolved prior to the targeted Release 41.0.	IT Team (Darrell) Under IT Review	Targeted for Release 41.0. Mailers would like to see deployed prior to R41.	12/18/2014	

## Other

Due to upcoming holidays, the following meetings are canceled.

December 25, 2014 (Christmas)  
January 1, 2015 (New Years Day)

A new series of meeting for the first six months of 2015 will be sent to the group.  
The first meeting of the series will begin January 8, 2015.

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