

MTAC 143 General Session Meeting Notes 10/20/2011

- Last call we went through the IWCO future state – as we went through the future state for IWCO -> we started defining what verifications might be necessary for all environments moving forward.
- Garrett asked if anyone had questions regarding the material presented last week. No one asked any questions.
- Next Garrett discussed the SA rules of engagement.

Rule 1. Activate by site

- Modify P1 to not perform verifications at acceptance.
- Use the eDoc submitter CRID to activate a site for SA.

Discussion Points

- How will activating by site work a company that produces mail, mail gets verified and paid for at on location and transport mail to another location to be consolidated with other mailings?
 - As long as the containers of mail are being paid for at a production site – activated as SA – then those containers are transported to a distribution center (non-SA site) for consolidation with other mail and transported down stream to USPS – those containers of mail should be okay for SA.
- What are you trying to do by activating mailers' in the SA process by site?
 - Remove DMU clerks from the mailers' facility. USPS will work with a mailer to determine if they're a candidate for SA -> we would remove DMU clerks from their facilities -> turn off the traditional/up front acceptance/verifications in P1-> and then switch the site to SA where verifications will be performed at induction/processing.
- If a company with multi-sites – wants to move more than one site to SA like 3 sites at a time -> will the company need to perform this individually by site or can those sites be activated through one onboarding process?
- If a company is producing mail at one facility (active SA site) and decides to merge mail with another facility's (active SA site) mail – what's the process for identifying the CRIDs from both facilities?
 - We would expect to see the CRID of the facilities merging the two mailings and submitting the eDoc to P1.
- How will the SA business model handle non-SA mail like BPM that's consolidated with SA?

Rule 2. All mail within a container must be seamless

Rule 3. Unique Barcodes applied to all Pieces, Trays, Containers

- Applies to automation and non-automation mailpieces
- Unique barcode within first 20 digits, no new delivery point requirements

Discussion Points

- If a company has multiple facilities activated for SA – can we commingle the mailing and present/entered the mailing thru SA?
- Will logical mailing environments be able to participate in SA?
 - Yes!

Rule 4. eDoc for all mailings: Mail.dat, Mail.XML or PW.

Rule 5. Piece information provided through pdr, .pbc or MailPieceBlock

- No downgrading mailpiece with FS STID to Basic rate without including piece information in eDoc

Discussion Points

- Will SA be able to handle mailings with IMR eDoc?
 - USPS still needs to determine what individual verifications will be impacted by comparing data samples against mailpc range records.
 - Quad Graphic made the statement – any limitation on IMR will eliminate them from SA process. Most of their mailings are using IMR. They have a handful of mailing using PDR.
 - IWCO – has some mailing that use PDR and some use IMR -> reason they switch to IMR was to reduce the up load time. USPS needs to do more research enabling SA process for IMR.

Rule 6. Accounts are fully funded at submission of UPD postage statement

- Electronic payment options through CAPS recommended

Discussion Points

- When eDoc submitter submits eDoc to PostalOne! – the eDoc submitter’s CAPS account will be linked to a SA site -> which will trigger auto postage finalization.
- USPS doesn’t want to manually finalize postage statements -> we would like to auto finalize the postage statements. We will need a backend process to handle accounts with deficient money at time of auto finalization of postage.

Rule 7. Participate in eInduction

Discussion Points

- Are DSMS mailers going to be apart of SA?
 - Yes, USPS wants DSMS mailers to become eInduction. eInduction is a component of SA.
 - If a company is DSMS mailer where some clients don’t want to use a CAPS account so the company has to use the client’s non-CAPS to pay for FS mailings -> how are you going to handle this scenario?
 - SA should not limit auto-finalization to just CAPS account. An account should contain a SA attribute that could be set to identify the account as participating in SA for auto-finalization. USPS needs to make sure as enterprise payment is deployed it will contain this functionality.
 - What happens if a company is designated as a SA site but one of their clients doesn’t want to go SA at all – should we create an indicator that will allow mailers to indicate at a container level if it’s participating in SA like we currently indicate containers for eInduction?
 - If a mailers site is indicated as a SA site – will mailers be involved in scheduling DMU clerks to visit their plants?