

Work Group 163: Supply Chain Reporting and Invoicing

8/19/14 Face-to-Face MTAC Meeting Notes

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Agenda

- Sue Redman – Review feedback on WG 163 By/For proposal and eVS MID/CRID process
- Invoicing concept proposal: Future State (Discussion)
- eInduction error issues: WG 163 or WG 138
- Open discussion
- Next Meeting's Discussion Items

Sue Redman started the meeting off with a report on her meetings with various groups regarding the By/For solution proposal. She stated that the feedback was mostly positive and the USPS was open to hear a final solution proposal. She stated that the one constant question raised by the different groups was the amount of volume affected by this solution. A response from the group was that although it may not affect a tremendous amount of pieces, it does affect a considerable amount of mailers.

She also said it was important to determine the time for the post-production reporting piece of the solution. The USPS closes out the books monthly within 3 days of month end, so it is imperative that the data be reported prior to month close. The group understood and did not feel like this would be an insurmountable problem.

Sue then explained the eVS model in regards to the MID/CRID relationship. Linda G said there was confusion in the various uses of the terms surrounding MID Owner and Mail Owner MID. She said it would be helpful to make clear definitions and possibly limit the use of MID Owner in terms to eliminate confusion. Sue said she understands how that can be confusing.

Bob then reviewed the future state where:

- The By/For solution is implemented
- Uniqueness Manager solution is implemented
- Move Update method and responsible party field is implemented
- Transportation error related responsibilities can be easily identified to a pallet/container
- PostalOne! can generate a monthly scorecard for ***all parties*** in the Supply Chain.

He then reviewed the potential pros and cons from both, the USPS and Industry perspectives. An open discussion was held to provide feedback to the future state vision.

Action item was to pull a small group from 163 members together to draft a written strawman proposal on the By/For Solution. It is hoped that portions of this model could be used as a template for use on the treatment of other errors shared among the Supply Chain as discussed in 163. The draft once written would be shared with the rest of 163 for comments and edits prior to giving back to Sue Redman to recirculate among the various HQ Departments.

The meeting was adjourned.