

# LICENSING ANNOUNCEMENT

## JULY 10, 2009

### Reminder: CASS™ Cycle M Software Requirements

**Primary Audience:** NCOA<sup>Link</sup>® Software Developers

**What:** All CASS™ software certified for CASS Cycle M is required to be able to provide 30-character addresses and 13-character city name abbreviations. Use of this output is optional upon the mailer's request. All NCOA<sup>Link</sup> software must reprocess the output from NCOA<sup>Link</sup> and LACS<sup>Link</sup>® processing through CASS Certified™ software to obtain the shorter address representation if requested by the mailer.

If the mailer wishes to continue to receive the standardized output regardless of the output size, the software can return non-30 and 13-character values. The USPS® will evaluate alternative 30-character solutions for NCOA<sup>Link</sup> and LACS<sup>Link</sup> services at a future time.

**Impact:** While the output of 30-character addresses and 13-character city name abbreviations will be a great value to mailers who do not operate under a regulatory environment, it is not in the best interest of mail owners governed by state regulations. Therefore, the use of abbreviated output should remain an option to standardize the physical address on its mailpieces.

**When:** Effective August 1, 2009

**What you need to do:** Please share this information with all pertinent contacts at your company and your customers.

If you have any questions regarding this announcement, please contact the Move Update Support Department at 800-589-5766.