

United States Postal Service®

INDUSTRY ALERT

June 30, 2021

REMINDER: Tomorrow's Package Platform Release 2.6.0.0 – July 1, 2021

As previously advised, tomorrow (Thursday, **July 1, 2021**), **from 8:00 AM CT - 2:00 PM CT**, the United States Postal Service will implement software updates for the following system:

➤ Package Platform Release 2.6.0.0

The "**updated**" Package Platform Release 2.6.0.0 Pre-Release Notes (*Change 2.0*) document is attached and also posted to PostalPro @ <https://postalpro.usps.com/PackagePlatformRelease2.6.0.0-July012021-ReleaseNotes>. As detailed in the "**Document History**," the only edit reflected in Change **2.0** is **removal of the DRAFT watermark**. There are **no "content" changes**.

During implementation and validation of Package Platform Release 2.6.0.0, there will be an impact to Package Platform and the Enterprise Payment System (EPS) resulting in delayed receipt of the following datasets:

- **USPS Returns and Outbound** service data feeds via Informed Visibility-Mail Tracking and Reporting (IV-MTR)
 - Pricing Notification
 - Final Notification
- Postage Payment for **USPS Returns and Outbound** service via EPS
- EPS data feeds to IV-MTR

Based on recent assessments of forecasted volume, it is anticipated cited data will be current no later than end of day on **Friday, July 2, 2021**. However, we will monitor progress and provide updated status assessments as warranted.

We apologize for any inconvenience.

REMINDER: Package Platform releases or system issues DO NOT impact the delivery of packages in any manner.

All Business Service Administrators (BSAs) should alert their impacted stakeholders.

Please direct any inquiries or concerns to the **IV Solutions Center** via eMail (InformedVisibility@usps.gov) or telephone (1-800-238-3150, Option 2).

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