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## 1.0 Introduction

On Thursday, July 1, 2021, the United States Postal Service implemented the following software change:

- Package Platform Release 2.6.0.0

These Release Notes provide the contents of the release and affected subsystems.

The section titled **Corrections to Known Issues** is derived from External Trouble Reports (ETRs) and Engineering Change Requests (ECRs) for inclusion in this release. This document is prepared based on the knowledge available at the time of its publication and any element may be subject to change prior to publication.

## 2.0 Package Platform – Updates, Enhancements, and New Functionality

### 2.1 Aggregation of Domestic Outbound Transactions

Package Platform Payment Services updated the processing logic for aggregation of domestic outbound transactions in order to account for outbound manifest postage pieces that are still awaiting aggregation after a configurable number of days. This can occur in one of several scenarios:

- Manifest pieces are received, but the Package Error/Warning (PEW) file is not received.
- PEW is received, but not enough pieces are received.
- PEW is received, the correct number of pieces is received, PEW is processed, and payment is collected. Additional pieces then arrive with the same identifying information (Electronic File Number (EFN)+File Name+Header Line Number+Mailer ID).

A fail-safe mechanism was created to handle aggregation of transactions for these scenarios. Payment Services conducts a daily check for any outbound manifest postage pieces that have been received and have not been processed after a configurable number of days. Payment Services aggregates any outbound manifest postage records that are found based on the existing group elements, and sends the aggregate file to Enterprise Payment System (EPS) so that it can be charged to the customer's EPS account.

Payment Services publishes aggregated transaction information to downstream Package Platform services for transactions aggregated by the fail-safe mechanism once the attempt to collect payment through EPS occurs (successful or not). [4007-PR](#)

### 2.2 Domestic Outbound Profile Update

#### 2.2.1 Domestic Outbound Enrollment

Mailers enrolling to Package Platform through the Domestic Outbound enrollment module are automatically enrolled in the Pilot workflow for all outbound mail classes. All Mailer IDs (MIDs) for the Customer Registration ID (CRID) selected for enrollment are automatically enrolled to the Pilot workflow. Customers are enrolled in the Pilot profile with the default EPS account number "9999999999". Pilot workflow enrollment takes effect on the date of enrollment. Transition of eVS to Package Platform will not be required for customers enrolling in the Pilot workflow.

Enrolling customers can select from a list of their EPS account numbers to designate the EPS account number to be used once the profile is converted to Live. All fields are displayed for the user's review prior to submission. Upon submission of the enrollment, a success page is displayed confirming the enrollment, and displaying both the Pilot EPS account number ("9999999999") and the EPS account number selected for use upon transition to Live. [4018-PR](#), [4021-PR](#)

#### 2.2.2 Domestic Outbound Edit

The Domestic Outbound Edit page enables customers enrolled in the Package Platform Live profile to update the EPS account number that is currently in use for the profile. Customers enrolled in the Pilot profile are able to update the EPS account number that will be used once the profile is converted to Live. All other fields on the Domestic outbound Edit page are display-only (i.e., not editable by external users). Following submission of any edits on the page, a success page showing the changed attributes is displayed. [4006-PR](#), [4019-PR](#)

## 2.3 Pricing Support

Package Platform Pricing Services supports Destination Delivery Unit (DDU) and Destination Sectional Center Facility (DSCF) rates for Parcel Select and Parcel Select Lightweight packages. [4033-PR](#), [4034-PR](#), [4035-PR](#), [4036-PR](#), [4037-PR](#), [4039-PR](#), [4041-PR](#), [4042-PR](#)

## 2.4 Reports Dashboard

Package Platform created a Reports Dashboard to show summary and detail level package information for analysis and reporting over time. The home page now includes a hyperlink to the new Summary Dashboard that navigates the user to the dashboard landing page. The Monthly Activity Report is displayed by default on the dashboard. The top section of the Summary Dashboard page displays the Company Name, Mail Class, EPS Account, and Mailer ID (MID). The page includes standard navigation options, including a link back to the Package Platform home page. A Help page is available for assistance with report features.

The Summary Dashboard includes a drop-down menu for access to all available Package Platform reports. Access to the Package Platform reports directly from the home page has been removed. By enabling users to select individual reports from the dashboard page, report performance will be improved. Buttons are provided at the top of each report for users to download the report results in Excel or CSV format. [4031-PR](#), [4048-PR](#), [4049-PR](#),

### 3.0 Document History

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7/1/2021	3.0	All	Updated for post-deployment status
6/30/2021	2.0	All	Removed DRAFT watermark