

Payroll/Personnel System - Calendar Year 2014, Pay Period 06 Release Notes

Effective Pay Period (PP) 06, 2014, the following Agency-specific and community-wide changes will be implemented in the National Finance Center's (NFC) Payroll/Personnel System (PPS). The high-level summary table shown below references the incident and project number, identifies whether the project is an Agency-specific or community-wide change, states the project title, and gives a brief description of the change.

Projects marked with an asterisk (*) are available for testing in the user acceptance testing (UAT) environment.

More detailed documentation will be available in the applicable procedure for only community-wide changes. To view the procedure, go to the *NFC Home Page* (<http://www.nfc.usda.gov>) and click the *Publications* link. On the right-hand Quick Picks Menu, click *Procedures by Acronym* and search for the applicable procedure.

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Incident Number	Agency-Specific or Community-Wide	Project Title	Description of the Change
210801	Community-wide	Incorporating Time and Attendance (T&A) Data into Federal Employees Health Benefits (FEHB) and Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance (FEGLI) Counters	System modifications will be made to the PPS to delete FEHB and FEGLI counters from a Personnel Action Request (PAR)-based process to a payroll-based T&A process. This change will allow all non-pay time to be tracked to allow Agencies to take the required action on employees who are enrolled in FEHB and exceed the 365 non-pay status days.
218615	Agency Specific and Community-wide ARC, FSA, FCA, CFTC, SAMBA, and USAID	Converting Non-Federal Reports to the Reporting Center	System modifications will be made to convert various non-Federal system-generated Payroll Accounting System (PACS) reports to the Reporting Center for the following Agencies: Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC), Financial Service Authority (FSA), Farm Credit Administration (FCA), United States (U.S.) Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC), Special Agents Mutual Benefits Association (SAMBA), and the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) with the following plan codes: 11, 52, AA, 36, 72, 73, 81, 38, PI/PO/PP, HM, and LP. Additionally the following report titles will be converted for community-wide use: Flexible Spending, Dental/Vision NFC 12400001, and Long Term Care NFC 12400001.

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305364	Agency-specific GAO	Establishment of two new Budget Object Class Codes for Performance Awards/Bonuses	System modifications will be made to create two new budget object class codes for the Government Accountability Office (GAO). Codes 1155 and 1159 will be created, which will be converted by GAO to provided them the ability to distinguish their annual performance-based bonuses from other payment types.
316714*	Agency-specific USCAVC	Direct Data Interface for the Special Payroll Processing System (SPPS) Processing of Payroll Actions	System modifications will be made to accept a data file from the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims (USCAVC) which will feed directly into SPPS in order to permit the generation and execution of payroll actions, without manual intervention, on a monthly basis.
411624*	Community-wide	Federal Employees Retirement System (FERS) - Revised Annuity Employees	System modifications will be made to increase the system's one-position retirement plan field to a two-position field. This modification will allow the new second field value of "R" for the Federal Employee Retirement System - Revised Annuity Employees plan.
432428*	Agency-specific Treasury	Employee Personal Page (EPP) Discretionary Allotments - Pay Period Selection to Start or Change	System modifications will be made for Agencies under the United States Department of the Treasury (Treasury) to start or change a discretionary allotment in the EPP only on the first pay period of a month.
493661*	Agency-specific USCAVC	Pre-Tax Parking Initiative for USCAVC	System modifications will be made to allow employees of the USCAVC, Agency 74, to participate in the Parking Flexible Spending Account benefit program.
507962	Agency-specific Treasury	Remote Forms Queuing System (RFQS) Social Security Number (SSN) Documentation on Cancellations	System modifications will be made to document the employee's SSN for Treasury in the RFQS when a FEHB cancellation is processed.
515086	Agency-specific IRS	RFQS Notifications - Alpha Order	System modifications will be made to combine all Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) transactions together in one group and combine all FEHB transactions together in a separate group on the RFQS file for the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), TR-93.

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515148	Agency-specific IRS	RFQS Notifications - Option to Only Print Official Personnel File (OPF) Copy	System modifications will be made to generate only one FEHB and/or TSP record per transaction on the RFQS file for IRS, TR-93.
515380	Agency-specific Treasury	Change Format of Schwab File for Treasury's Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) Non-Federal Thrift Plans 75, 90, and 91	System modification will be made to modify the existing format of the payroll output file currently provided to Schwab for the OCC Non-Federal Thrift Plans 75, 90, and 91. The file format will be changed from vertical to a horizontal file with one row per employee for employees in personnel office identifier (POI) 3030 at Agency FR-FT (Consumer Financial Protection Bureau) and any POI for Agency TR-AJ (OCC).
548701	Community-wide	Mainframe Contractors Report	System modifications will be made to the Reporting Center to create a new report titled "Security Report on Contractors Expiration" which will display the Mainframe Contractor Reports data.
565574	Agency-specific CSOSA	American Federation of Government Employees (AFGE) Local 0727 Dues File	System modifications will be made to redirect Union 290000 Local 0727 dues payments to National AFGE Union 500000.
570463	Community-wide	Reporting Center - Request to Select Multiple Pay Periods or Years of Earnings and Leave Statements (E&L) and Wage and Tax Statements (W-2)	System modifications will be made to the Reporting Center to provide the ability to select multiple pay periods of the E&L and multiple years of the W-2 for an individual SSN.
575637	Agency-specific CBP	Discontinue Sending Separation Letters to Customs and Border Protection (CBP)	System modifications will be made to discontinue printing and mailing the CBP's Agency separation letters. Employee separation letter will continue to be printed and mailed.
581198	Agency-specific GPO	Appearance of Government Printing Office (GPO) Pay Plans on Standard Form (SF) 50, Notification of Personnel Action	System modifications will be made to print the actual Pay Plan, K or P, on the SF 50 for each GPO employee regardless of grade and step.

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581524*	Agency-specific GAO	GAO New Pay Band Communication Analysts, (CS), (LG/97)	System modifications will be made to establish a new CS pay plan with grades 09, 10, 20, 30, and 40 for GAO's exclusive use.
611634	Agency-specific FS	Change to T&A Data Record Transmission File.	System modification will be made to change to the T&A sweep file layout to allow an eight-position Job Code field for all Forest Service (FS) employees.
634702*	Community-wide	The Office of Personnel Management (OPM) Update 64: New Nature of Action (NOA) Code 354, Death in the Line of Duty	System modifications will be made to establish a new NOA code, 354, Death in the Line of Duty, as required by the OPM's Update 64, to the Guide to Personnel Processing.
639255*	Agency-specific Treasury	2013 Personal Benefits Statements Requirements	System modifications will be made to display the number of hours and type of advanced leave to be repaid prior to separation on the Personal Benefits Statements for employees of the Internal Revenue Service.
648480	Agency-specific Smithsonian	Smithsonian Conversion to Temporary Appointment Not-to-Exceed Modification NOA 956 for Non-Federal Life Insurance Enrollment (SM/71, 73)	System modifications will be made for the Smithsonian Agencies that if Agency code 71 or 73 and the NOA code is 956, then a Document Type 102, Non-Federal Life Insurance Form, is generated for plan codes 16 and 35.
648727	Agency-specific USAID	USAID Employee Language-Code Updates	System modifications will be made to the Agency-Information fields one through five to expand the Language-Code field from two to three positions.
663835*	Community-wide	Processing T&A Payment Types in SPPS Web	System modifications will be made to create three payment type options in addition to Payment Type 837, AD-343, Payroll Action Request. The new options are Payment Type 806, Quick Service Wire processed in SPPS Web; Payment Type 834, Current Pay Period T&A processed manually in SPPS Web; and Payment Type 835, Prior Pay Period T&A processed manually in SPPS Web.

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670153	Agency-specific SIF	Establish New electronic Official Personnel Folder (eOPF) Data Feed for the Smithsonian Institution Federal (SIF), Agency 70/SM	System modifications will be made to allow NFC to transmit a complete eOPF data feed for SIF.
670938	Agency-specific SIT	Establish New SI-650, Personnel Notification Document Form Extensible Markup Language (XML) eOPF Data Feed for the Smithsonian Trust Employees (SIT), Agency 71/SM	System modifications will be made to allow NFC to transmit a complete eOPF data feed using the new SI-650 XML for SIT.
680181	Community-wide	EPP, EPP Demo, and EPP Application (EPPA) Modifications	System modifications will be made to the EPP and EPP Demo Menu List to display each of the following subject headers on a new Web page: Changes to E-mail Addresses, W-2 Password, and Security Questions. Additionally, the EPPA will be modified to add the Date of Birth; remove the word "Letters" from the Password Letters/Email section, restore stored procedures; return all error histories in one database call; and change the maintenance flag to display the message, Application is currently unavailable, to prevent user usage during maintenance outages.
685822*	Community-wide	New Veterans Preference Code 7, No Points/Sole Survivorship Preference (SSP), OPM's Update 64.	System modifications will be made to remove the Dishonorable Discharge literal and replace it with the new OPM required literal, Sole Survivorship Preference (SSP).

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692806	Community-wide	ALLTAX Changes Various State/City/County Taxes	<p>System modifications will be made to implement changes to the tax formulas for various State/city/county taxing entities as shown below.</p> <p>California - CA140002 California State Tax Connecticut - CT140039 Connecticut State Tax Delaware - DE140030 Delaware State Tax Illinois - IL140051 Illinois State Tax Kansas - KS140017 Kansas State Tax Maine - ME140019 Maine State Tax Massachusetts - MA140040 Massachusetts State Tax Michigan - MI140052 Michigan State Tax Minnesota - MN140028 Minnesota State Tax Missouri -MO140046 Missouri State Tax New Mexico - MN140034 New Mexico State Tax New York - NY140022 New York State Tax North Dakota - ND140045 and ND140048 North Dakota State Tax Oklahoma - OK140047 Oklahoma State Tax Oregon - OR140050 Oregon State Tax Puerto Rico - PR140053 Puerto Rico State Tax Rhode Island - RI140036 Rhode Island State Tax Vermont - VT140044 Vermont State Tax</p>
696621*	Community-wide	Master File Change Document Type 30 to Include Roth Plan Codes 98, 99, and 09	<p>System modifications will be made to remove the literal "Thrift Saving Deduction YTD Deferred Plan Specific" and replace it with "Thrift Saving Plan Code Specific" and modify the system to include Roth Plan Codes 98, 99, and 09 in the edit and processing routine.</p>

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699137	Agency-specific Treasury	Change Format of Schwab File for OCC's Non-Federal Thrift Plans 75, 90, and 91	System modification will be made to modify the existing format of the payroll contribution and the loan file currently provided to Schwab for the OCC Non-Federal Thrift Plans 75, 90, and 91. The file format will be changed from vertical to a horizontal file with one row per employee.