# 2012 FALL MAILING SEASON READINESS

August 8, 2012

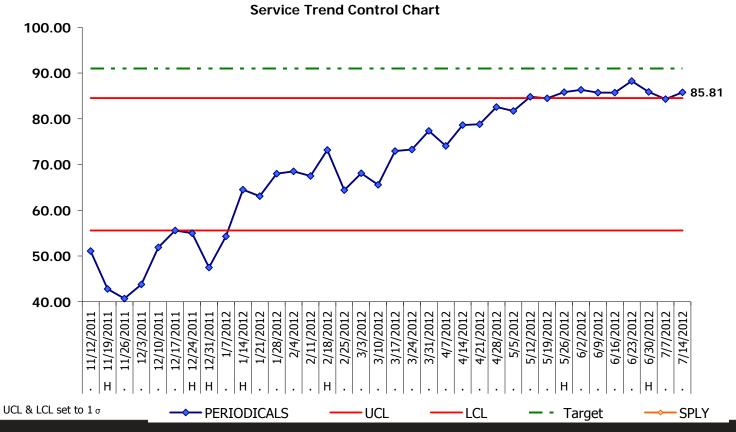


- Service Performance Trends
- Network Rationalization
- Actions Taken in 2012
- Drop Ship Profile
- Equipment updates
- Projected volumes
- MTE



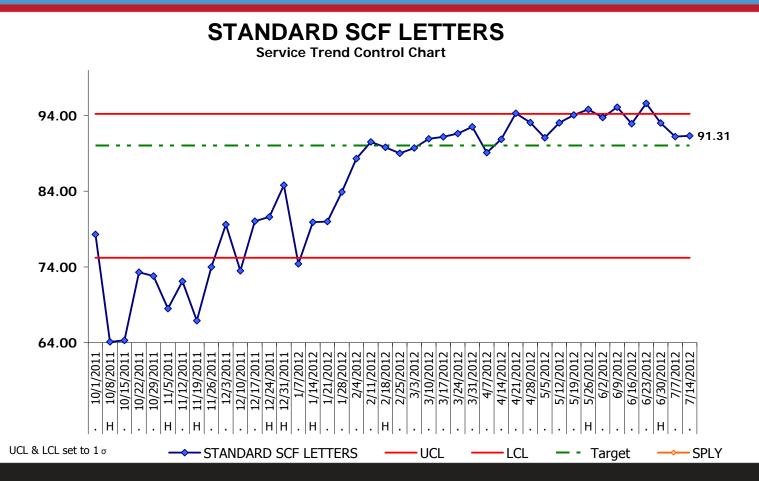
### **Periodicals Mail Service Trend**

PERIODICALS





## **Standard SCF Letter Mail Service Trend**

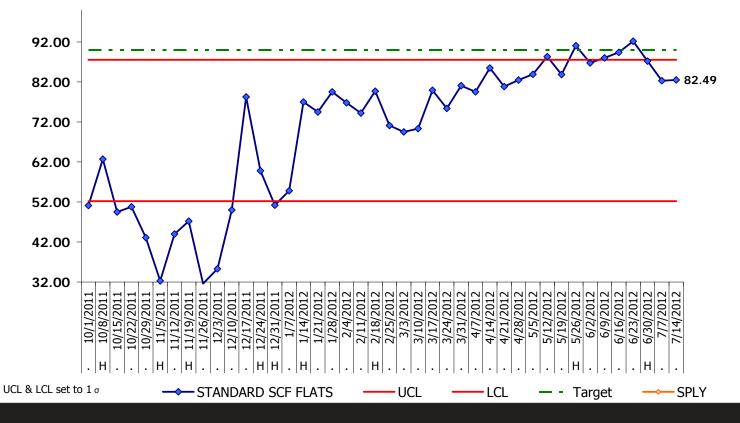




## **Standard SCF Flat Mail Service Trend**



Service Trend Control Chart





### **NETWORK RATIONALIZATION UPDATE**

### July 1, 2012 Service Standard Change - Implementation to Date

	Full Consolidation	Originating Only	Destinating Only	Total Completed
To be completed by August 3 <sup>rd</sup>	8	6	13	27
To be completed by August 31 <sup>st</sup>	10	3	6	19
Total	18	9	19	46



### **EARLY WARNING SYSTEM**

### **Flawless Execution**

### Early Warning System

### **Recovery "Tiger Team"**

Tools & Processes in place to ensure Seamless Service Performance

- Early warning system in place
- Mail move plan updated bi-weekly and posted on RIBBS
- Constant communication with the mailing industry
- Site Intervention based on EWS
- Feedback system in place to address customer issues



### **NETWORK RATIONALIZATION UPDATE**

### NETWORK RATIONALIZAITON CUSTOMER FEEDBACK

- Minimal Impact 7 reported nationwide
  - •MTE Backflow Stabilization
  - Transition Of Postal Supplied Transportation For Customer Mail Pickup
  - •Customer Implementation Of Specific Label List Changes
  - •Customer Transitional Issue With New Drop Shipment Locations
  - Customer Transitional Issue with Service Standard changes



### **Actions Taken in 2012**

- Sort Programs and staffing plans developed around historical heavy drop days
- National mail conditions monitored daily
- Color code training all supervisors and craft employees
- Utilization of the Service Performance Measurement (SPM) tool
  - Increased Visibility to assess service problems
  - Reduce Work in Process (WIP); process cycle time

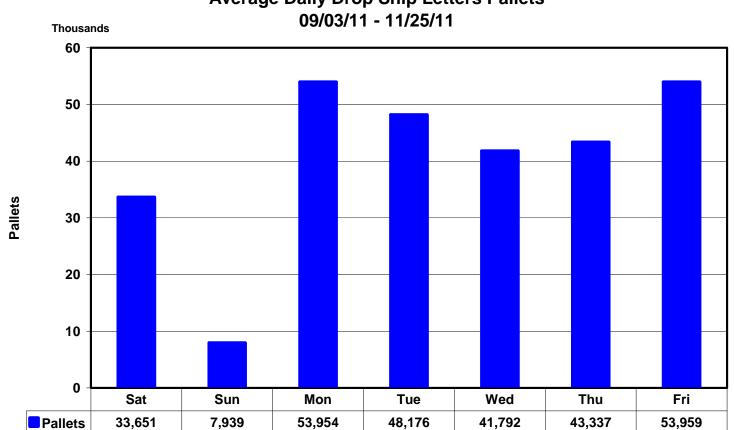


### Average Daily Flats Pallets by Day of Week

Average Daily Drop Ship Flats Pallets 09/03/11 - 11/25/11 Thousands 140 120 100 80 Pallets 60 40 20 0 Sat Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Pallets 76,430 16,781 81,124 79,281 95,030 131,892 135,434



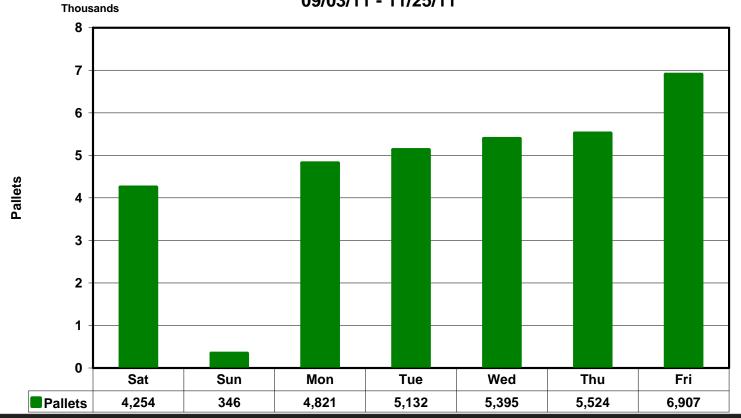
### **Average Daily Letters Pallets** by Day of Week







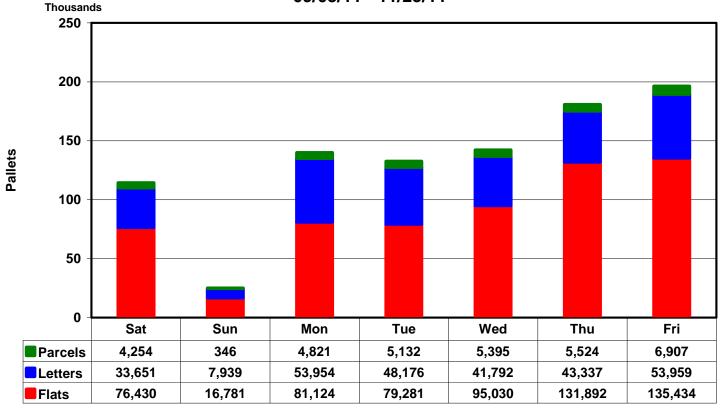
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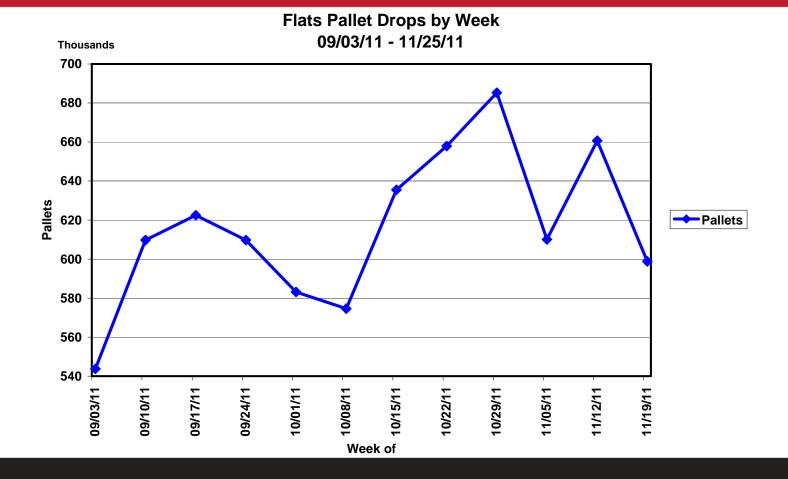
### Average Daily Pallets by Day of Week

Average Daily Drop Ship Pallets 09/03/11 - 11/25/11





### **Flats Pallets by Week**





### **Letters Pallets by Week**

**Letters Pallet Drops by Week** 09/03/11 - 11/25/11 Thousands 330 320 310 300 Pallets 290 ----Pallets 280 270 260 250 240 11/19/11 09/10/11 09/17/11 09/24/11 10/01/11 10/08/11 10/15/11 10/22/11 10/29/11 11/05/11 11/12/11 09/03/11 Week of

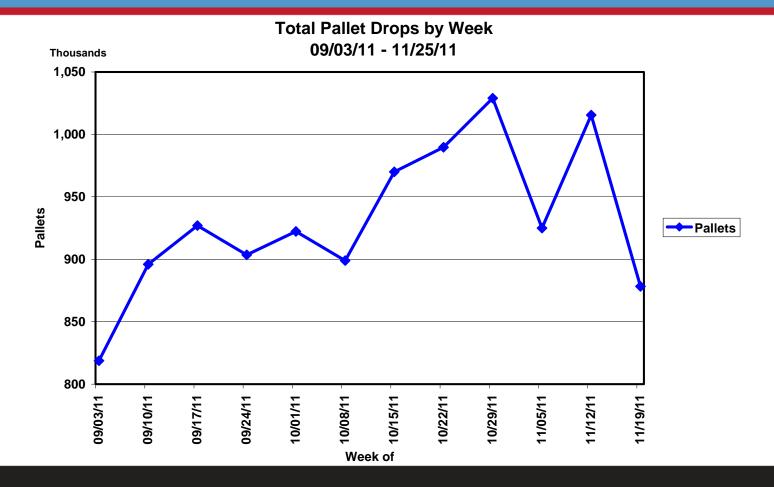


## Parcels Pallets by Week

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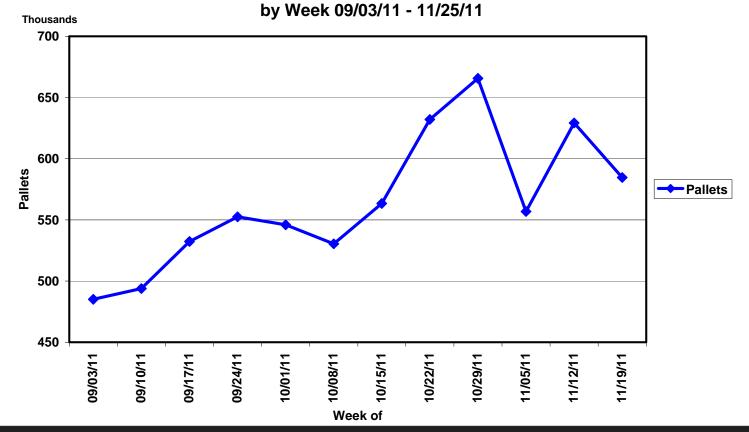
## **Total Pallets by Week**





## **Standard Mail Pallets by Week**

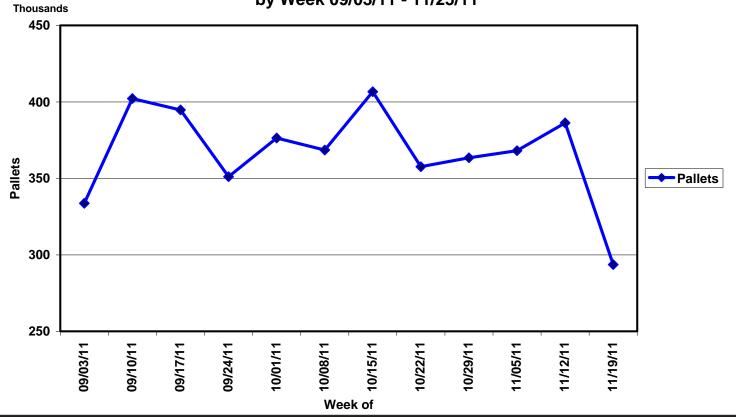
Standard Mail Drop Ship Pallets





## **Periodicals Mail Pallets by Week**

Periodicals Mail Drop Ship Pallets by Week 09/03/11 - 11/25/11



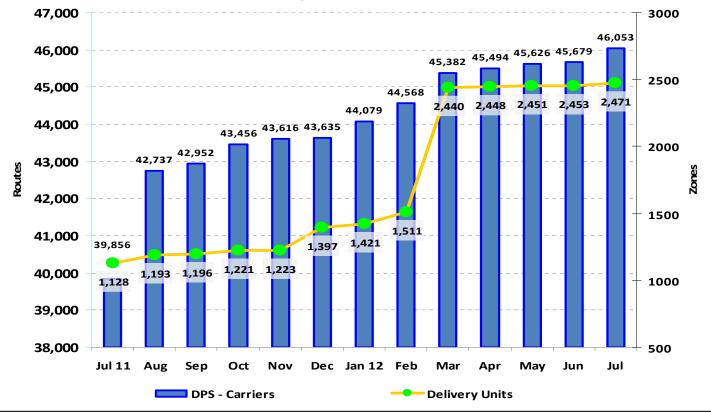


- Tiger Team Reviews
  - Completed 43 full reviews and 22 followup reviews
  - 4 sites remaining to be completed in August, 2012



## **FSS Update**

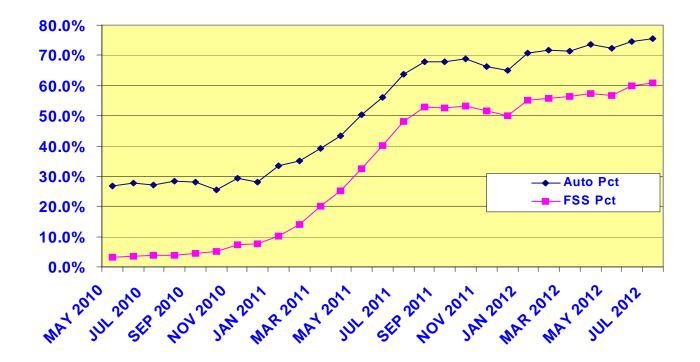
### **FSS Carriers and Delivery Units**





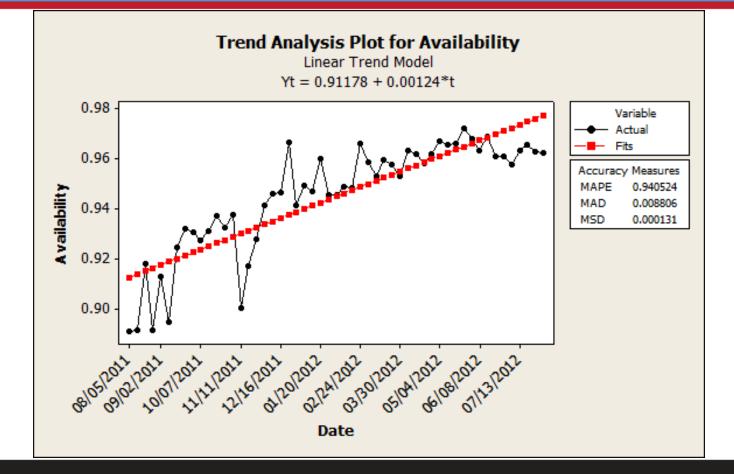
### **FSS Update**

#### **Flats Automation Trend**



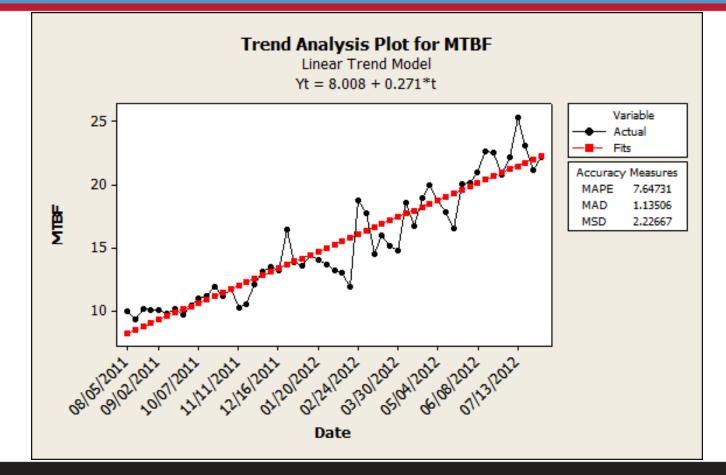


### **Availability Trend**





## Mean Time Before Failure (MTBF) Trend





## Automated Parcel and Bundle Sorter (APBS)

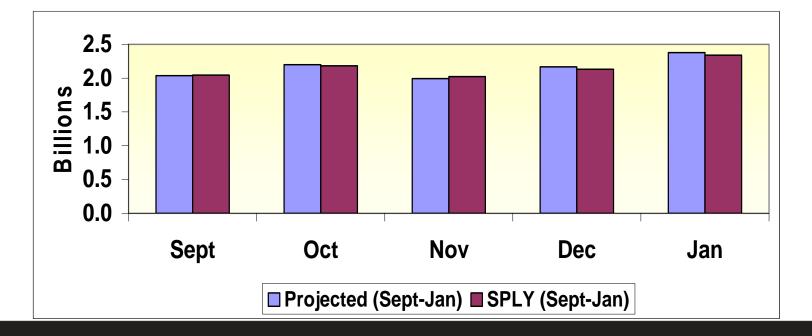
- APBS Deployment
  - # of APBS's Fall 2011: 110
  - # of APBS's Fall 2012: 194



## **First-Class Mail Projections**

FIRST-CLASS\* MAIL VOLUME HOLIDAY VOLUME FORECAST (Sept 2012-Jan 2013)

Time Frame	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Total
Projected (Sept-Jan)	2,036,389,438	2,199,707,131	1,994,282,911	2,166,040,912	2,378,819,492	10,775,239,884
SPLY (Sept-Jan)	2,046,195,969	2,183,769,656	2,022,286,001	2,130,615,388	2,341,364,887	10,724,231,901



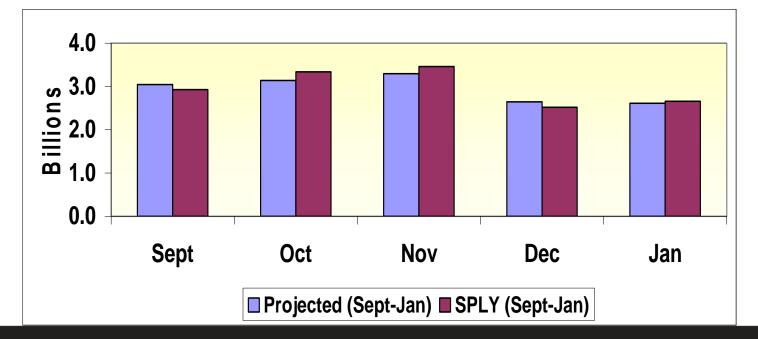


## **Standard Mail Projections**

#### STANDARD MAIL VOLUME

HOLIDAY VOLUME FORECAST (Sept 2012-Jan 2013)

Time Frame	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Total
Projected (Sept-Jan)	3,044,898,078	3,139,901,038	3,296,374,300	2,643,341,290	2,612,541,519	14,737,056,225
SPLY (Sept-Jan)	2,924,785,943	3,337,198,855	3,459,403,414	2,517,802,677	2,657,077,302	14,896,268,191



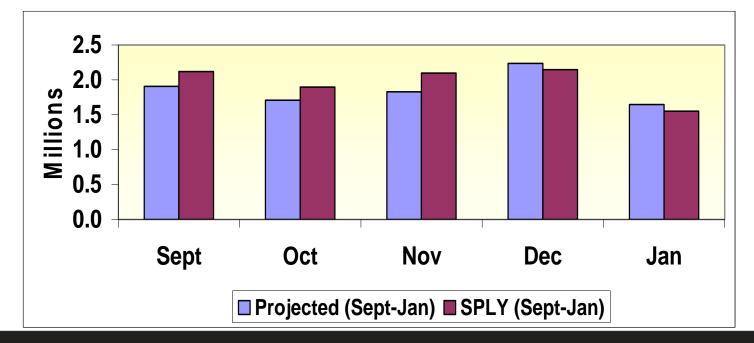


## **Priority Mail Projections**

#### PRIORITY MAIL VOLUME

HOLIDAY VOLUME FORECAST (Sept 2012-Jan 2013)

Time Frame	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Total
Projected (Sept-Jan)	1,906,955	1,710,306	1,829,902	2,236,936	1,647,926	9,332,024
SPLY (Sept-Jan)	2,119,915	1,896,529	2,096,911	2,145,933	1,550,601	9,809,889



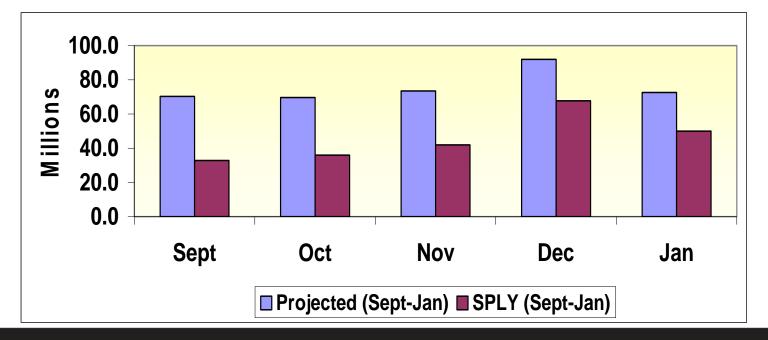


## **Package Mail Projections**

#### PACKAGE\* MAIL VOLUME

HOLIDAY VOLUME FORECAST (Sept 2012-Jan 2013)

Time Frame	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Total
Projected (Sept-Jan)	70,277,742	69,720,147	73,525,613	91,992,814	72,584,179	378,100,495
SPLY (Sept-Jan)	32,878,085	35,928,748	41,997,656	67,689,558	50,012,092	228,506,139





# Mail Transport Equipment (MTE) Update



## Mail Transport Equipment (MTE)

- Demand & Inventory by Product
- MTE Awareness Campaign
- Tightening Processes for Issuing Equipment
- MTEOR



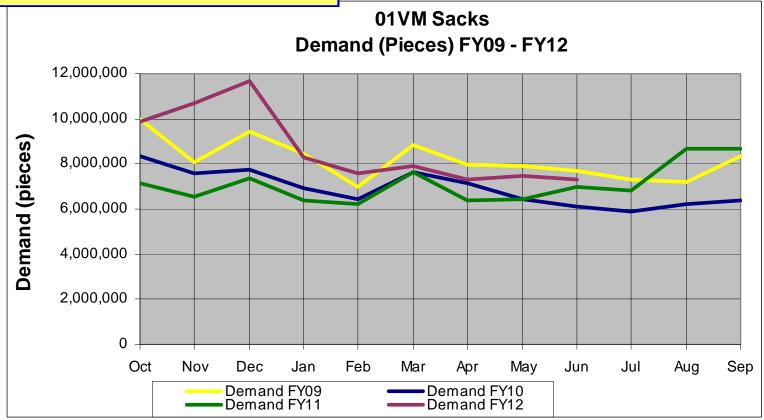
### MTESC Warehouses are filling up!

Description	Purchased FY11	Purchased FY12
MM Trays	10,960,000	22,075,920
EMM Trays	686,000	5,100,000
Half Trays	0	1,144,000
MM Tray Sleeves	776,000	7,723,000
EMM Sleeves	308,000	4,470,000
Half Sleeves	0	823,368
Sacks	4,300,000	10,100,000
Flat Tubs	1,386,000	3,282,000
Pallets	2,525,000	3,861,750



## **Sack Demand Trend**

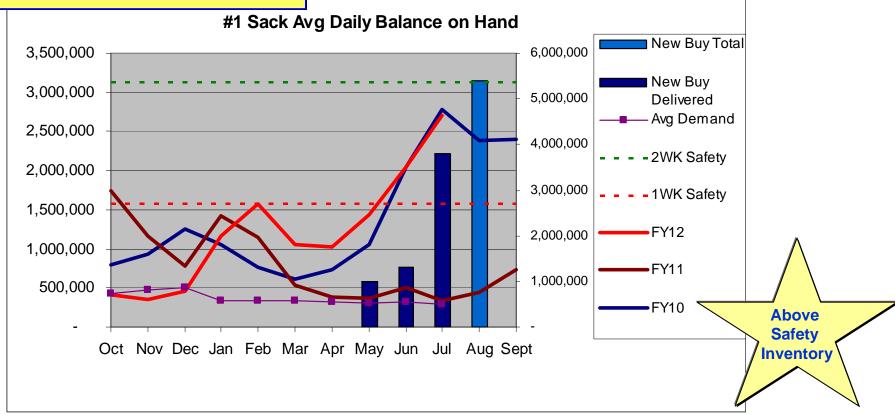
### YTD Demand up 28% to SPLY





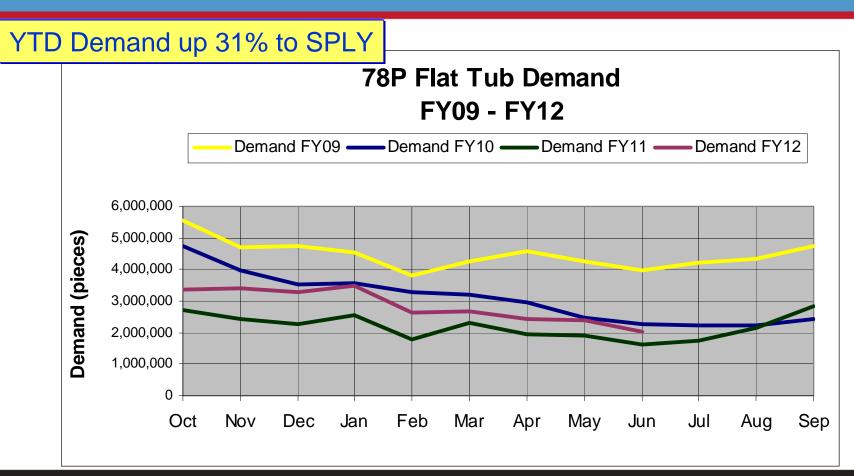
## **Product Inventory Status**

### 1.5M additional sacks due





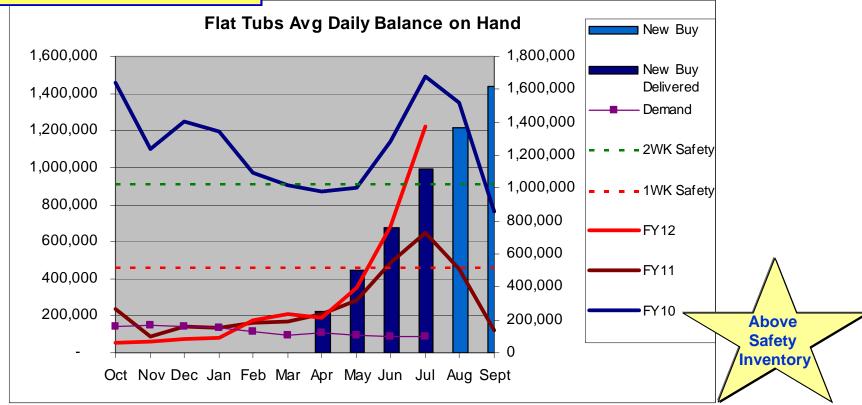
## **Flat Tubs Demand Trend**





## **Product Inventory Status**

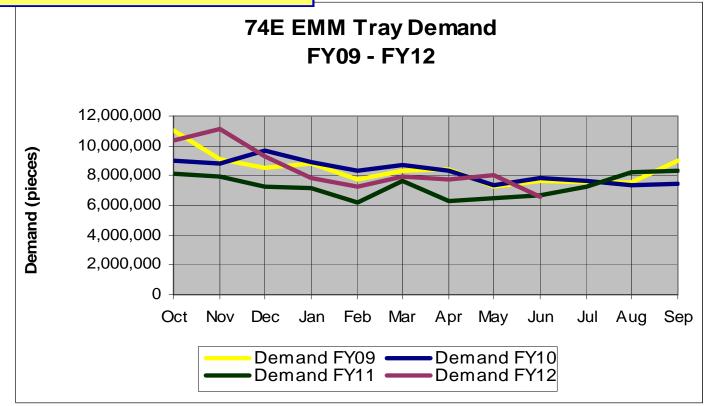
### 330K additional tubs due





## **EMM Tray Demand Trend**

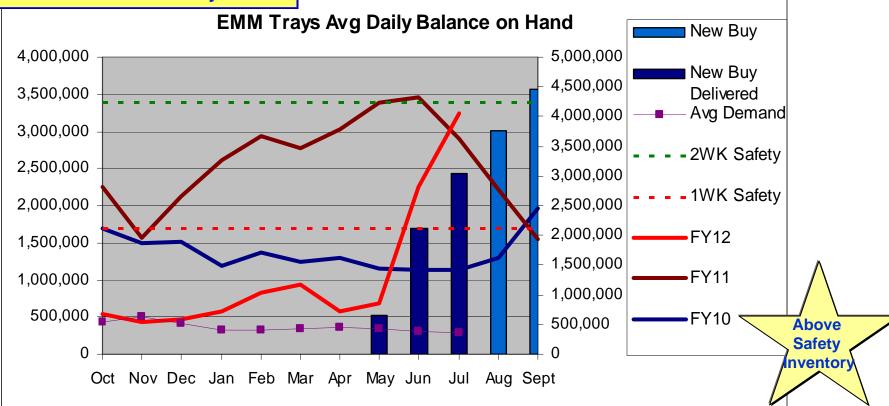
#### YTD Demand up 20% to SPLY





### **Product Inventory Status**

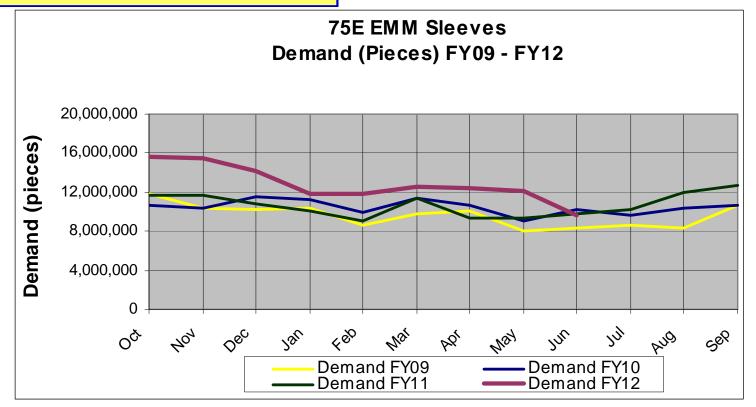
#### 1.3M additional trays due





### **EMM Sleeves Demand Trend**

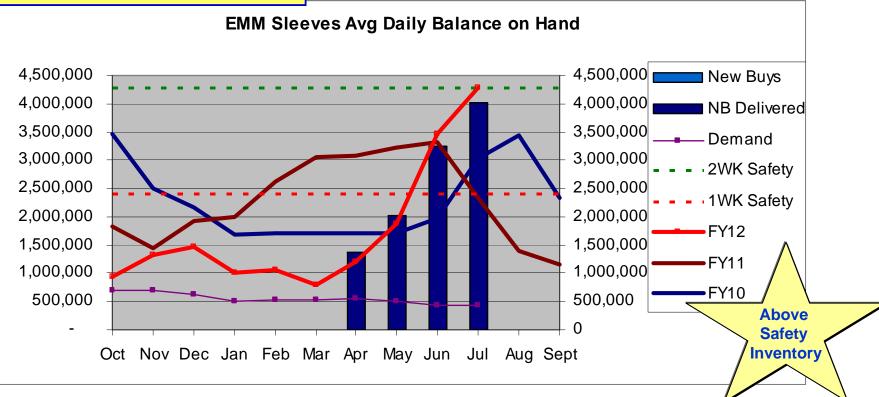
#### YTD Demand up 24% to SPLY





### **Product Inventory Status**

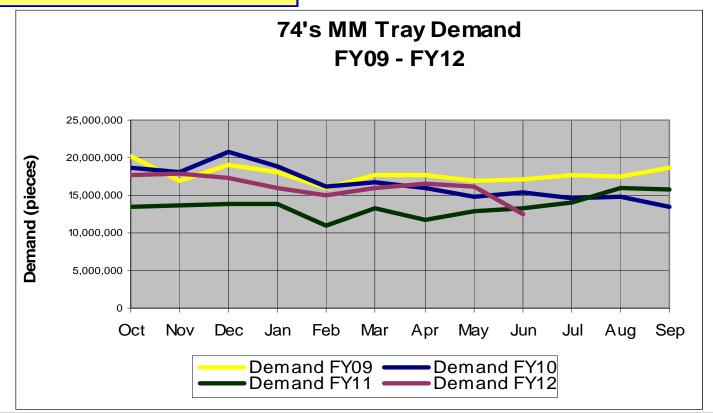
#### 45K additional sleeves due





### **MM Trays Demand Trend**

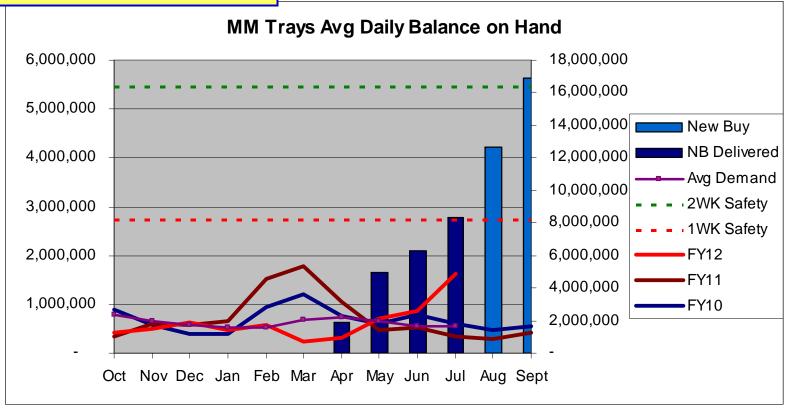
#### YTD Demand up 24% to SPLY





### **Product Inventory Status**

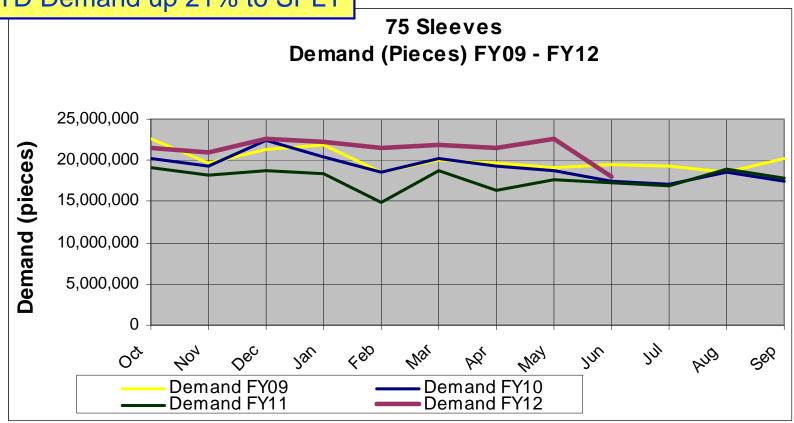
#### 8.5M additional trays due





## **MM Sleeves Demand Trend**

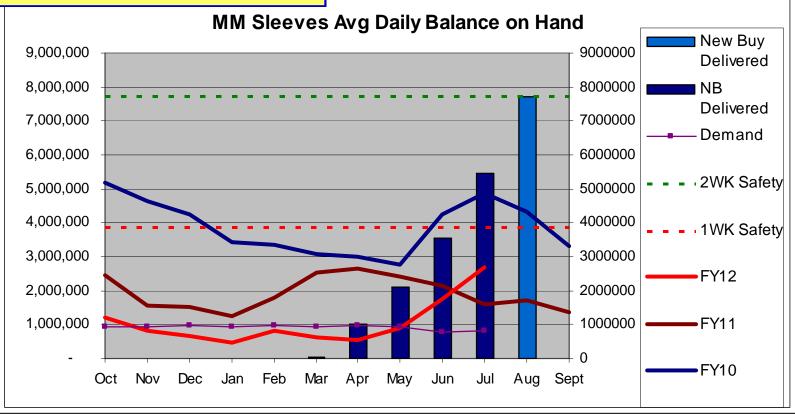
#### YTD Demand up 21% to SPLY





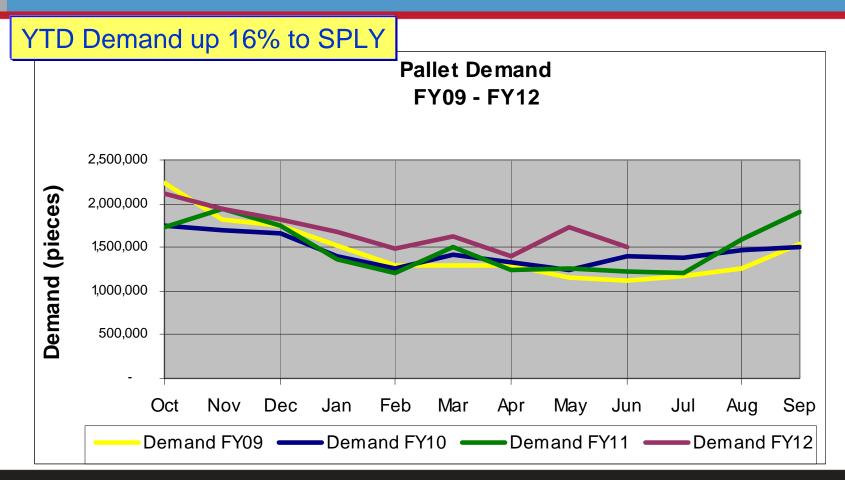
#### **Product Inventory Status**

#### 2.2M additional sleeves due





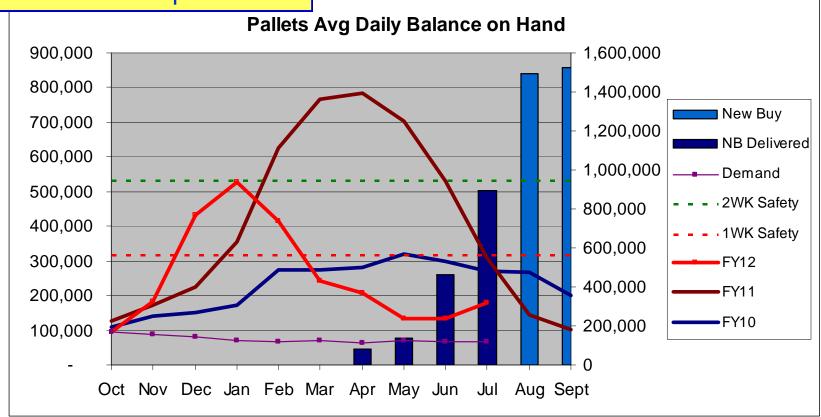
### **Pallet Demand Trend**





#### **Product Inventory Status**

#### 983K additional pallets due





## **Illegal Recycling of MTE**

- Inspection Service Recycler Initiative
  - 218 recycling yards visited November 2011
  - 30% were in possession of USPS MTE
  - 14,453 plastic pallets were recovered







## **Recyclers in LA Area**



700 USPS plastic pallets 2,600 lbs ground pallets







## **Tightening MTE Processes**

#### **Requirements: Stop Leakage of MTE**

- Review the process at every plant to ensure:
  - Only known mailers are provided equipment
  - Mailers provide list of all drivers authorized to pick up equipment
  - Mailers call or email to order equipment prior to sending a driver
  - Driver ID reviewed to verify that they are on the approved list
  - Date, type and quantity of equipment provided is recorded in Excel
  - No MTE stored outside



#### **MTE Awareness Campaign**





### **MTE Awareness Campaign**

#### Mail Transport Equipment (MTE)

# We can't afford to lose it or not get it back.



- Don't store outside
- Don't use for storage
- Return excess
- Report abuse
- Don't give to customers

Got MTE you don't need? Send it to the Mail Transport Equipment Service Center (MTESC). Report all unauthorized use of MTE to the MTE Hotline at 866-330-3404 or email *hqmte@usps.gov.* 

POSTAL SERVICE.

#### Mail Transport Equipment (MTE)

MTE is POSTAL SERVICE PROPERTY and COSTS \$120 million annually to replenish.

DO NOT SELL, DISCARD, OR RECYCLE ANY MTE AT YOUR FACILITY.



Send it to the Mail Transport Equipment Service Center (MTESC). Report all unauthorized use of MTE. Call the MTE HOTLINE: 866-330-3404 or email hqmte@usps.gov.

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## **MTE Awareness Campaign**









System Overview





MTEOR is a new Mail Transport Equipment Online Ordering system which allows Mailers to order Mail Transport Equipment online

In response to mailers request for an updated MTE ordering process, USPS is launching MTEOR as a fast, reliable and convenient method for Mailers to order their MTE:

- Located on the Business Customer Gateway (BCG) for easy customer access
  - Users must register on the BCG prior to receiving access to MTEOR
- Provides a standard process and centralized location for placing orders; helps track MTE inventory at MTESCs



## Why Now ?

Our current approach to manage MTE orders is not very efficient for customers and does not provide them with the order information needed to actively and effectively manage orders

• Large Mailers and USPS plants order their MTE by placing calls, sending faxes or emails to an MTE representative who manually enters the order into MTESS (the order fulfillment system)

- Smaller Mailers order MTE from their local facilities without a set process in place
- USPS is spending over \$120 million this year buying MTE so it's important to have better information on the location of inventory and needs of our customers

MTEOR Phased Approach				
Phase I – September 5, 2012	Phase II – Spring 2013			
Available to Mailers who currently receive MTE from an MTESC	Available to an expanded user-base to include other Mailers and USPS plants			



MTEOR provides several key benefits, such as:

- Allowing Mailers to place their orders online and having the ability to check the status of an order or see order history at any given time
- Allowing Mailers to withdraw or cancel orders
- Strengthening partnership with Mailers to better track and protect MTE
  - Phase I- mailers accept MTE agreement, which outlines policies and is intended to bring all MTE borrowers under the MTE requirements included in Plant Load Agreements and the GPS Pallet Agreement.
  - Phase II- confirming receipt of MTE; reporting inventory on hand. Both of these help with overall MTE inventory management.



### **Roles and Responsibilities**

The following roles are part of the MTE ordering process:

#### •Employees (Internal)

- Order Managers
  - Ensure MTESC are processing MTE correctly
  - Perform audits at each site
- Business Service Network (BSN)
  - Resource for Mailers in the event of any issue
  - Coordinate orders and ensure MTE is distributed appropriately
- Ordering Customers
  - Place one-time orders in MTESS for plants and Mailers
  - Serve as initial point of contact for Mailers when placing an MTE order



#### **Roles and Responsibilities**

The following roles are part of the MTE ordering process (continued):

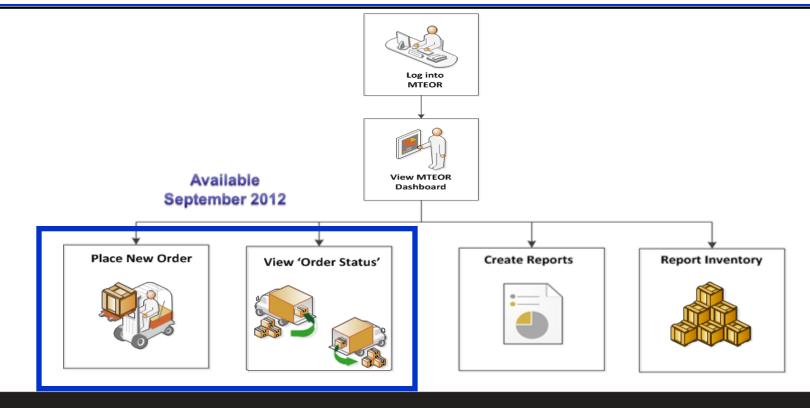
#### •Mailers (External)

- Business Service Administrator (BSA)
  - Designates additional MTEOR Mailers for their location
  - Monitors that MTE orders are placed in accordance with MTEOR policy
- MTE Orderers (designated by the BSA)
  - Place one-time MTE orders for their location using MTEOR
  - Report inventory and return unused MTE



### **MTEOR Overview**

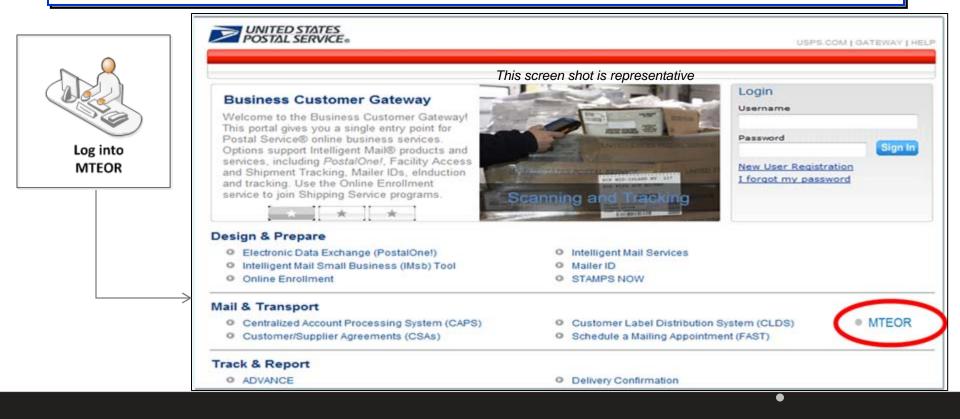
The primary goals for Phase I are to provide Mailers an online ordering portal and the ability to check order status online. Additional features will be developed and implemented accordingly.





## Accessing MTEOR

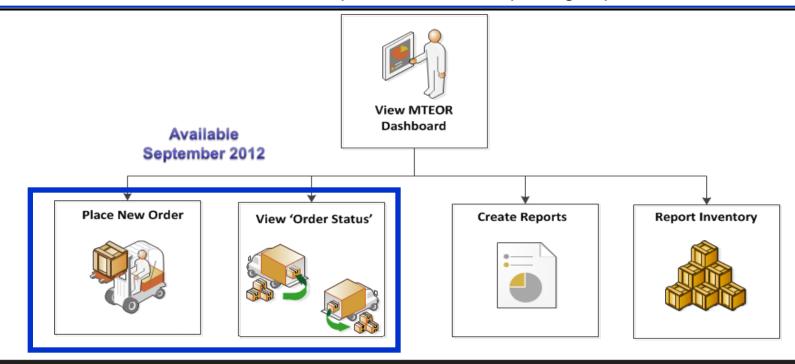
Mailers will log into MTEOR through the Business Customer Gateway using their specific username and password.





### **MTEOR Dashboard**

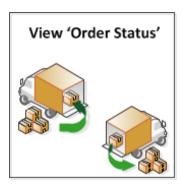
Once logged in, Mailers will see a dashboard that will serve as a 'landing page' from which they can perform various actions. Phase 1 will allow Mailers to view order status and place new orders; Phase 2 will provide various reporting capabilities.





## **View MTE 'Order Status'**

Mailers will be able to view MTE order status, as outlined below, for their specific location or for multiple locations if they are associated to more than one.



#### View Order Status

\* This feature will be available in late September

- Placed Order for MTE has been placed by Mailer to MTESC
  - In Progress– MTE order is being processed by the MTESC
  - Shipped MTE has been shipped
- Backorder \* MTE type not immediately available, order placed in backorder status for a specified period of time (business rule still being defined)
- Withdrawn MTE order is no longer needed and is withdrawn from system; this action can be completed by the Mailer up to 72 hours before its scheduled shipping date; Order Managers and the system also have the ability to withdraw orders i.e. exceeds backorder window
- Received \* MTE order has been received by Mailer



### **Place New Order**

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Mailers will walk through a four step process, outlined below, to place their MTE orders. Once the orders are placed, they can be viewed on the 'Order Status' screen and track their status.



#### Place New Order

- Catalog Mailers can view MTE by type i.e. pallet, tray, sleeve
- Ordering Mailers populate required data fields to fill truck load
  - 1. Verify Address and POC validate the shipping and POC information
  - 2. Select Dispatch Date and Time- select a dispatch date and time
  - 3. Select MTE and Quantity choose MTE type and define quantity, either pieces or pallets; orders can only be placed in full truck load quantities
  - 4. Confirm and Place- verify your order is correct, sign user agreement and submit order.



### **MTEOR Contact and Information**

#### For questions email <u>MTEOR@usps.gov</u> or visit the MTEOR Blue Page for training and information to better understand MTEOR.

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Budget & Finance	or	order, see their order history, and modify an order.			
Programs	P	<b>Phase 1</b> launches September 5, 2012 for mailers who curren from MTESC.		Mail Transport Equipment Contacts	
Policy & Guidance	fr			Network Operations Organizational Chart	
News & Events	P	Phase 2 will be implemented in Spring 2013 for all mailers and facilities.		d other Postal	
Reports	fa			MTE Service Centers	
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