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System (PPS)

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To: Subscribers of all Title I Publications (Payroll/Personnel)

This bulletin is being issued to announce the availability of the National Finance Center's (NFC) Release Notes for the Payroll/Personnel System (PPS) Pay Period 20, Calendar Year 2012 Release. The attached Payroll/Personnel System-Calendar Year (CY) 12, Pay Period (PP) 20 Release Notes provide an overall summary of the changes that will be implemented in PP 20, 2012.

More detailed documentation will be available in the applicable procedure. 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.

For questions about NFC processing, contact the Payroll/Personnel Call Center (Option 3, then Option 1) at **1-800-981-3026** or the *EmpowHR* Help Desk at **1-888-367-6955**.

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Attachment

Payroll/Personnel System-Calendar Year (CY) 12, Pay Period (PP) 20 Release Notes

Effective Pay Period 20, 2012, the following Agency-specific and community-wide changes will be implemented in the National Finance Center's (NFC) Payroll/Personnel System. 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 and 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.

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Payroll/Personnel System Release Notes CY 12, PP 20						
Incident Number	Agency- Specific or Community- Wide	Project Title	Description of the Change			
211028 (Project Number 00290)	Community-wide	Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) Pledge Automation	System modifications will be made to allow the Department of Homeland Security employees, in the Northern Lights Campaign area, the option to use the NFC's Employee Personal Page/Employee Self-Service (EPP/ESS) to electronically pledge to the CFC. This project is part of a pilot program with the Office of Personnel Management (OPM).			
211532 (Project Number 00675)	Community- wide	Table Management System (TMGT) Table 063, Department/ Agency/Bureau Contact, Batch Update	NFC will create a program to process TMGT Table 063 updates via a batch process. The current record on the TMGT Table 063 will go to history and that entire record will be replaced with the data from the batch record.			
211541 (Project Number 10494)	Community- wide	Report to be Added to the Security Reports Category in the Reporting Center	System modifications will be made to add the report, Active Directory Inactivity Report, to the Reporting Center within the Security Reports Category. The data on this report will be updated on a monthly basis.			

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Incident Number	Agency- Specific or Community- Wide	Project Title	Description of the Change			
212705 (Project Number 10172)	Community- wide	Enhancements to the Employee Personal Page (EPP)	System modifications will be made to provide employees a faster method of getting temporary passwords to access EPP. Also, changes will be implemented to the operational process used to resolve EPP user access and password issues.			
216249 (Project Number 10676)	Community-wide	TMGT Table 063, Department/Agency/ Bureau Contact, Update	System modification will be made to increase the number of Authorized Points of Contact in TMGT, Table 063. This table will be used by Agencies to indicate the Agency personnel who are authorized to contact NFC regarding a inquiry or to request an action. NFC personnel will use this table to ensure that only authorized personnel are being serviced.			
216385 (Project Number 10563)	Community- wide	Agency Contact Information on Form NFC-1100D, Notice to Offset Salary Letters	System modifications will be made to create a new TMGT Table 113, Agency Contact for Intent to Offset Salary Notice. This table will allow Agencies to enter Agency contact information in the table which will be formatted to print on the Form NFC-1100D, within the Agency Contact area.			
217128 (Project Number 90574)	Community-wide	Add Employee Work Email to the Office of Personnel Management's (OPM) Enterprise Human Resources Integration (EHRI) Status Record and to the Employee Personal Page	System modifications will be made to provide OPM with the Employee Work Email address on the EHRI Status Record submission.			
217561 * (Project Number 10504)	Agency- specific USCP	Automating Field Training Officer (FTO) Payment	System modifications will be made to allow the United States Capitol Police (USCP) to process FTO payments by entering Transaction Code (TC) 17, Suffix Code 4, Incentive Pay, on the Time and Attendance Record (T&A).			
228265 *	Community- wide	Employee changed from Senior Executive Service (SES) to General Schedule (GS) should not receive locality pay	System modifications will be made not to compute current locality rate for an employee if the Salary Rate code equals "PA", Per Annum; the Pay Plan is not equal to "ES", Executive Series; and the Pay Rate Determinant code is "S", Continued SES Basic Pay.			

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290900	Community- wide	Debt Management Improvement, Automatic Garnishment	System modifications will be made to increase the garnishment amount from less than \$10 to less than or equal to \$50 when the Receipt Account Type is a 15 or 16, indicating a salary overpayment. The employee's Earnings and Leave Statement will contain a two-line notification of the automatic garnishment.		
See Description Column	Community- wide	ALLTAX changes various State/city/county taxes	System modifications will be made to implement changes to the tax formulas for various State/city/county taxing entities as shown below. Maryland - MD120071 Maryland State Tax (Incident Number 362128)		