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1. Scope of this Document

This document is designed to be an introduction to the new features of Pay.gov 3.1.1.

Specifically, it is addressed to individuals who desire an overview of the features contained in this release, without the level of detail that may be found in other administration, operational, and developer level documents.

2. Referenced Documents

The following documents are either referenced in this notice or provide supplemental information, please contact your FMS representative to obtain them.

Pay.gov 3.1 Overview Guide

Agency Configuration Template (ACT)

Agency Guide to the Collections Service

Agency Guide to the Forms Service

Agency Guide to the Reporting Service

Agency Guide to the Billing and Notification Service

Agency Guide to the Verification Service

Agency Guide to Access Control

Open Collections Interface (OCI) Reference Guide

Pay.gov 3.1 User's Guide

3. Overview of Pay.gov v3.1.1.

The US Treasury, Financial Management Service, is excited to announce the new features that will be delivered with Pay.gov v3.1.1.

Pay.gov is a collection portal that offers five major services:

Collection Service – Collects and processes agency transactions. Pay.gov offers many ways to initiate a collection including a collection originating from an agency webpage, a collection originating from a form hosted on Pay.gov, a collection in response to a bill notifying the user of payment required.

Form Service – Hosts agency forms. The forms can be configured to mirror (to the extent practical) their paper counterparts, including OMB and agency control numbers, Paperwork Reduction Act and Privacy Act notices, and instructions. Forms can be used either to gather information for administration purposes such as production reporting or they can be used to initiate an associated collection.

Billing/Notification Service – Allows agencies to send out notifications of payment due to the agency. If the bill has an associated payment, a link is included directing the user to the Pay.gov Billing page where the information can be reviewed and, if applicable, payment made.

Reporting Service – Provides an extensive range of reports, allowing for transaction reconciliation with reports from other financial applications such as CASHLINK or settlement agents. The reporting service delivers transaction details via two mechanisms - Online reports and Activity Files.

Verification Service – Enables agencies to authenticate potential customers of their site without previous registration. The customer provides key pieces of information, the VS references government and commercial databases to confirm the customer.

The following presents an introduction to the enhancement in the release for the Collections Service.

4. Collection Service

4.1. Plastic Card Payment Amount Limit

In accordance with the FMS “*Limitations on Plastic Card Collection Transactions*” *Bulletin No. 2005-03 Vol 1, February 15th 2005*, Pay.gov v3.1.1. will implement a \$99,999.99 payment amount limit for plastic card sale and force transactions. This limit will be applied to all agency applications hosted by Pay.gov accepting plastic card payments.

A copy of the bulletin is available online at <http://fms.treas.gov/tfm/vol1/bull.html>, select Bulletin 2005-03.

5. Defect Corrections in Pay.gov v3.1.1.

The following issues, identified in the current release of Pay.gov, have been corrected in v3.1.1.:

Pay.gov logo present on OCI-Interactive collection screens – during an OCI-Interactive collection, the agency customer is transferred from the agency website to the Pay.gov collection screens where the transaction is completed. Currently the Pay.gov logo is being displayed on the OCI-Interactive collections screens. A requirement of OCI-Interactive transactions is the customer should not be aware that they have left the agency website and their payment is being processed by Pay.gov. In Pay.gov v3.1.1., the Pay.gov logo is no longer displayed on these screens, correcting this defect.

OCI-Interactive agencies not accepting XML transaction requests – initial transaction request postings are being rejected by agencies using the OCI-Interactive transaction process. These agencies require the post to contain name/value pairs, not the XML format that is currently being used. Pay.gov’s OCI-Interactive protocol has been corrected in v3.1.1. to return a name/value pair in the post response rather than XML.

Agency Memo Field not displayed on the Confirmation Screen – prior to current version of Pay.gov (Version 3.02), the Agency Memo Field appeared on the Payment Confirmation screen for a sales transaction entered using the Collections Control Panel. The Agency Memo Field is not being displayed with the current version. Agency’s used the Agency Memo Field to confirm correct data input/processing. Pay.gov v3.1.1. corrects this defect, the memo field is displayed correctly.

ALT Help text incorrect when sorting forms in the Saved and Submitted Forms list - currently incorrect ALT Help text is being displayed on the “Agency Form Control Number” link on the “Saved and Submitted Forms” screen. The text has been corrected in Pay.gov v3.1.1.

Incorrect text displayed when performing a BAN Resource Level user search - currently while reviewing the Resource Level BAN, the instructional text incorrectly referred to Forms not BAN’s. The text has been corrected in Pay.gov v3.1.1.

Transaction Failure page not being displayed for OCI-Interactive Plastic Card transactions – currently when an OCI-Interactive plastic card transaction fails the agency customer is returned to their agency’s failure screen without any indication, to the user from Pay.gov, that the transaction failed. This leads to confusion for the agency customer and reduces the amount of information available for customer support purposes. This defect has been corrected in Pay.gov v3.1.1., a transaction failure screen is displayed prior to the user returning to the agency website.

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