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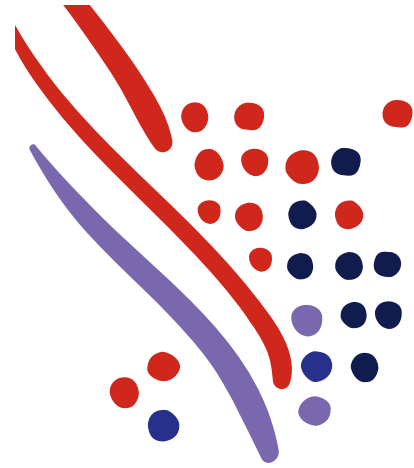
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# SOC 1® Report on the Suitability of the Design and Operating Effectiveness of Controls

Description of ADP's AutoPay Payroll Services System  
for the period October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023

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## **SECTION ONE**

### **INDEPENDENT SERVICE AUDITOR'S REPORT PROVIDED BY ERNST & YOUNG**

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## INDEPENDENT SERVICE AUDITOR'S REPORT

Management of Automatic Data Processing, Inc.

### *Scope*

We have examined Automatic Data Processing, Inc.'s (ADP) description entitled "Description of ADP's AutoPay Payroll Services System" (Description) throughout the period October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023 of its AutoPay Payroll system (System) for processing user entities' transactions and the suitability of the design and operating effectiveness of controls described therein to achieve the related control objectives stated in the Description (Control Objectives), based on the criteria identified in ADP Management Assertion (Assertion). The Control Objectives and controls included in the Description are those that management of ADP believes are likely to be relevant to user entities' internal control over financial reporting, and the Description does not include those aspects of the System that are not likely to be relevant to user entities' internal control over financial reporting.

**Complementary User Entity Controls:** The Description indicates that certain Control Objectives can be achieved only if complementary user entity controls assumed in the design of ADP's controls are suitably designed and operating effectively, along with related controls at the service organization. Our examination did not extend to such complementary user entity controls, and we have not evaluated the suitability of the design or operating effectiveness of such complementary user entity controls.

**Carved-out Affiliated/Component Subservice Organization:** The AutoPay Payroll system uses certain hosting operations, data center management, and network management services provided by ADP's Global Enterprise Technology & Solutions (GETS) North America, a component of ADP. The Description includes only the Control Objectives and related controls of AutoPay Payroll system and excludes the control objectives and controls of ADP's GETS North America. Certain control objectives specified by ADP can be achieved only if complementary subservice organizations' controls are suitably designed and operating effectively. The Description identifies the types of complementary controls of ADP's GETS North America that are necessary to achieve certain Control Objectives. The scope of this description did not include the complementary controls of ADP's GETS North America.

Management of ADP's GETS North America has prepared a separate description of the services used by the System, which includes the aforementioned complementary ADP's GETS North America controls, and is presented in ADP's Global Enterprise Technology & Solutions (GETS) North America Organization Information Technology Services System for the period October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023 (ADP's GETS North America SOC 1 report). This report should be read in conjunction with the separate ADP GETS North America SOC 1 report.

**Other Information Provided by Service Organization:** The information included in Other Information Provided by ADP is presented by management of ADP to provide additional information and is not a part

of ADP's Description. Information about ADP's Global Business Resiliency Program has not been subjected to the procedures applied in our examination of the description of the System and of the suitability of the design and operating effectiveness of controls to achieve the related Control Objectives, and accordingly we express no opinion on it.

#### *ADP's responsibilities*

ADP has provided the accompanying assertion titled, ADP Management Assertion (Assertion) about the fairness of the presentation of the Description and suitability of the design and operating effectiveness of the controls described therein to achieve the related Control Objectives. ADP is responsible for preparing the Description and Assertion, including the completeness, accuracy, and method of presentation of the Description and Assertion, providing the services covered by the Description, specifying the Control Objectives and stating them in the Description, identifying the risks that threaten the achievement of the Control Objectives, selecting the criteria stated in the Assertion, and designing, implementing, and documenting controls that are suitably designed and operating effectively to achieve the related Control Objectives.

#### *Service auditor's responsibilities*

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the fairness of the presentation of the Description and on the suitability of the design and operating effectiveness of the controls described therein to achieve the related Control Objectives, based on our examination. Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we plan and perform our examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether, in all material respects, based on the criteria in management's Assertion, the Description is fairly presented and the controls were suitably designed and operating effectively to achieve the related Control Objectives throughout the period October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023. We believe that the evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

An examination of a description of a service organization's system and the suitability of the design and operating effectiveness of controls involves:

- Performing procedures to obtain evidence about the fairness of the presentation of the Description and the suitability of the design and operating effectiveness of the controls to achieve the related Control Objectives, based on the criteria in management's Assertion.
- Assessing the risks that the Description is not fairly presented and that the controls were not suitably designed or operating effectively to achieve the related Control Objectives.
- Testing the operating effectiveness of those controls that management considers necessary to provide reasonable assurance that the related Control Objectives were achieved.
- Evaluating the overall presentation of the Description, the suitability of the Control Objectives, and the suitability of the criteria specified by the service organization in the Assertion.

We are required to be independent of ADP and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, as applicable for examination engagements set forth in the Preface: Applicable to All Members and Part 1 – Members in Public Practice of the Code of Professional Conduct established by the AICPA. We are required to comply with the AICPA Quality Management Standards.

#### *Inherent limitations*

The Description is prepared to meet the common needs of a broad range of user entities and their auditors who audit and report on user entities' financial statements and may not, therefore, include every aspect of the System that each individual user entity may consider important in its own particular environment. Because of their nature, controls at a service organization may not prevent, or detect and correct, all misstatements in processing or reporting transactions. Also, the projection to the future of any evaluation of the fairness of the presentation of the Description, or conclusions about the suitability of the design or operating effectiveness of the controls to achieve the related Control Objectives, is subject to the risk that controls at a service organization may become ineffective.

#### *Description of tests of controls*

The specific controls tested and the nature, timing, and results of those tests are listed in the accompanying Description of Control Objectives, Controls, Tests, and Results of Tests (Description of Tests and Results).

#### *Opinion*

In our opinion, in all material respects, based on the criteria described in ADP's Assertion:

- a. The Description fairly presents the System that was designed and implemented throughout the period October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023.
- b. The controls related to the Control Objectives were suitably designed to provide reasonable assurance that the Control Objectives would be achieved if the controls operated effectively throughout the period October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023 and if subservice organizations and user entities applied the complementary controls assumed in the design of ADP's controls throughout the period October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023.
- c. The controls operated effectively to provide reasonable assurance that the Control Objectives were achieved throughout the period October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023, if complementary subservice organization and user entity controls assumed in the design of ADP's controls operated effectively throughout the period October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023.

*Restricted use*

This report, including the description of tests of controls and results thereof in the Description of Tests and Results, is intended solely for the information and use of management of ADP, user entities of ADP's System during some or all of the period October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023, and their auditors who audit and report on such user entities' financial statements or internal control over financial reporting and have a sufficient understanding to consider it, along with other information, including information about controls implemented by user entities themselves, when assessing the risks of material misstatements of user entities' financial statements. This report is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

*Ernst & Young LLP*

December 15, 2023



## SECTION TWO

### MANAGEMENT ASSERTION

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## ADP MANAGEMENT ASSERTION

December 15, 2023

We have prepared the description of Automatic Data Processing, Inc.'s (ADP) AutoPay Payroll system entitled, "ADP's Description of its AutoPay Payroll System" (Description) for processing user entities' transactions throughout the period October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023 for user entities of the system during some or all of the period October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023, and their auditors who audit and report on such user entities' financial statements or internal control over financial reporting and have a sufficient understanding to consider the Description, along with other information, including information about controls implemented by subservice organizations and user entities of the system themselves, when assessing the risks of material misstatements of user entities' financial statements.

Carved-out Affiliated/Component Subservice Organization: The AutoPay Payroll system uses certain hosting operations, data center management, and network management services provided by ADP's Global Enterprise Technology & Solutions (GETS) North America, a component of ADP. The Description includes only the Control Objectives and related controls of AutoPay Payroll system and excludes the control objectives and controls of ADP's GETS North America. Certain control objectives specified by ADP can be achieved only if complementary subservice organizations' controls are suitably designed and operating effectively. The Description identifies the types of complementary controls of ADP's GETS North America that are necessary to achieve certain Control Objectives. The scope of this description did not include the complementary controls of ADP's GETS North America.

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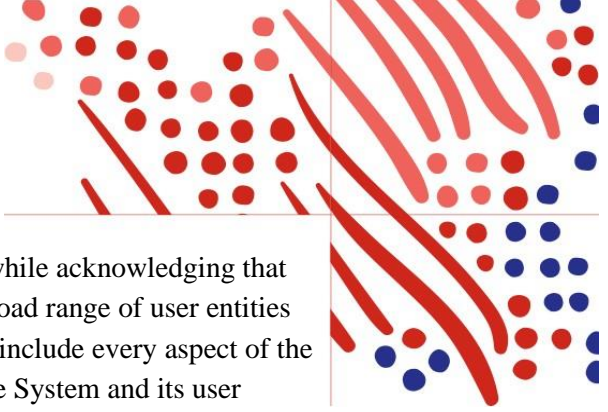
Complementary User Entity Controls: The Description indicates that certain control objectives specified in the Description can be achieved only if complementary user entity controls assumed in the design of ADP's controls are suitably designed and operating effectively, along with related controls at the service organization. The Description does not extend to controls of the user entities.

We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, that:

- a. The Description fairly presents ADP's AutoPay Payroll system (System) made available to user entities of the System during some or all of the period October 1, 2022 to September 30,

2023 for processing their transactions as it relates to controls that are likely relevant to user entities' internal control over financial reporting. The criteria we used in making this assertion were that the Description:

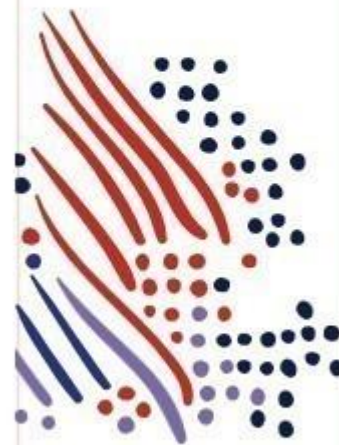
- (1) Presents how the System made available to user entities of the system was designed and implemented to process relevant transactions, including, if applicable:
  - The types of services provided, including, as appropriate, the classes of transactions processed.
  - The procedures, within both automated and manual systems, by which those services are provided, including, as appropriate, procedures by which transactions are initiated, authorized, recorded, processed, corrected as necessary, and transferred to the reports and other information prepared for user entities of the System.
  - The information used in the performance of the procedures including, if applicable, related accounting records whether electronic or manual, and supporting information involved in initiating, authorizing, recording, processing and reporting transactions; this includes the correction of incorrect information and how information is transferred to the reports prepared for user entities.
  - How the System captures and addresses significant events and conditions, other than transactions.
  - The process used to prepare reports and other information for user entities.
  - Services performed by a subservice organization, if any, including whether the carve-out method or the inclusive method has been used in relation to them.
  - The specified control objectives and controls designed to achieve those objectives, including, as applicable, complementary user entity controls and complementary subservice organization controls assumed in the design of the service organization's controls.
  - Other aspects of our control environment, risk assessment process, information and communication systems (including the related business processes), control activities, and monitoring activities that are relevant to the services provided, including processing and reporting transactions of user entities.
- (2) Includes relevant details of changes to the System during the period covered by the Description.

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- (3) Does not omit or distort information relevant to the System, while acknowledging that the Description is prepared to meet the common needs of a broad range of user entities of the System and their user auditors, and may not, therefore, include every aspect of the AutoPay Payroll System that each individual user entity of the System and its user auditor may consider important in the user entity's own particular environment.
  - b. The controls related to the control objectives stated in the Description were suitably designed and operated effectively throughout the period October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023 to achieve those control objectives, if subservice organizations applied the complementary subservice organization controls and user entities applied the complementary user entity controls assumed in the design of ADP's controls throughout the period October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023. The criteria we used in making this assertion were that
    - (1) The risks that threaten the achievement of the control objectives stated in the Description have been identified by management of the service organization.
    - (2) The controls identified in the Description would, if operating as described, provide reasonable assurance that those risks would not prevent the control objectives stated in the Description from being achieved; and
    - (3) The controls were consistently applied as designed, including whether manual controls were applied by individuals who have the appropriate competence and authority.

Automatic Data Processing, Inc.

## **SECTION THREE**

### **DESCRIPTION OF ADP'S AUTOPAY PAYROLL SERVICES SYSTEM FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2022 to SEPTEMBER 30, 2023**



## OVERVIEW OF OPERATIONS

### General

In 1949, the founders established ADP to shape the world of work with a simple, innovative idea: help clients focus on their business by solving their payroll challenges. Today, ADP is one of the world's leading global technology companies providing comprehensive cloud-based human capital management (HCM) solutions that unite HR, payroll, talent, time, tax and benefits administration. ADP serves over 1 million clients and pays over 41 million workers in 140 countries and territories. ADP's common stock is listed on the NASDAQ Global Select Market® under the symbol "ADP."



### Business Overview

#### *ADP's Mission*

ADP's mission is to power organizations with Human Capital Management (HCM) solutions that meet the changing needs of its clients and their workers. Data, digital technology, artificial intelligence, globalization, new business models and other significant events and disruptions continuously reshape the way people work. ADP's HCM technology, industry and compliance expertise and data insights deliver measurable results and peace-of-mind, and contribute to an engaged, productive workforce. ADP's leading technology and commitment to service excellence are at the core of its relationship with each one of its clients, whether it's a small, mid-sized or large



organization operating in one or multiple countries around the world. ADP is always designing better ways to work through products, services, and experiences that help enable people to reach their full potential.

### *ADP's Business Pillars*

ADP's business is organized around three pillars which represent ADP's core growth areas:

- **U.S. HCM Solutions:** In the United States, ADP provides cloud-based HCM software with supporting service and expertise that assists employers of all types and sizes in managing the entire worker spectrum and employment cycle – from full-time to freelancer and from hire to retire.
- **U.S. HR Outsourcing (HRO) Solutions:** In the United States, ADP offers comprehensive HRO solutions in which it provides management solutions for HR administration, payroll administration, talent management, employee benefits, benefits administration, employer liability management, and other HCM and employee benefits functions.

**Global Solutions:** ADP offers international HCM and HRO solutions, comprised of both local, in-country solutions and cloud-based multi-country solutions, to clients wherever they do business around the world.

### *ADP's Strategy*

With a large and growing addressable market, ADP is focused on its core growth areas and further enhancing its market position by executing its Strategy:

- **Lead with best-in-class HCM technology.** ADP designs and develops HCM platforms that simplify work and utilize enabling technologies like artificial intelligence and modern cloud architecture. ADP aims to solve the needs of clients and their workers today by making HCM transactions effortless and compliant, while anticipating their needs of tomorrow by incorporating valuable data insights and guidance into its solutions to help clients better understand their workforce and how they compare to industry peers, and position clients to make better decisions.
- **Provide expertise and outsourcing solutions.** ADP intends to continue to build on its deep expertise and make it readily available to clients through a variety of channels, ranging from traditional call and chat options to self-guided and AI-powered options. ADP will continue to leverage decades of experience, significant data insights, and investments in AI and other enabling technologies to help its clients and their workers navigate the ever-changing world of work.

- **Benefit its clients with its global scale.** ADP will continue to build on these strengths to further improve client experience, and to add to its global footprint to further meet clients where they choose to do business and address their needs for a distributed and flexible workforce.

## Business Segments

ADP's two reportable business segments are Employer Services and Professional Employer Organization ("PEO"), and are based on the way that management reviews the performance of, and makes decisions about, ADP's business:

- Employer Services (ES) - ADP's Employer Services segment serves clients ranging from single-employee small businesses to large enterprises with tens of thousands of employees around the world, offering a comprehensive range of technology-based HCM solutions, including ADP's strategic, cloud-based platforms, and HRO (other than PEO) solutions. These solutions address critical client needs and include Payroll Services, Benefits Administration, Talent Management, HR Management, Workforce Management, Compliance Services, Insurance Services and Retirement Services.
- Professional Employer Organization (PEO) Services - ADP's PEO business, called ADP TotalSource®, provides clients with comprehensive employment administration outsourcing solutions through a relationship in which employees who work for a client (referred to as "worksites employees") are co-employed by ADP and the client.

## Products and Solutions

In order to serve the unique needs of its clients and their diverse types of businesses and workforce models, ADP provides a range of solutions which businesses of all types and sizes and across geographies can use to recruit, pay, manage, and retain their workforce. ADP addresses these broad market needs with its cloud-based strategic platforms: RUN Powered by ADP®, serving over 850,000 small businesses; ADP Workforce Now®, serving over 80,000 mid-sized and large businesses across ADP's strategic pillars; and ADP Vantage HCM® and ADP's next-gen HCM platform, serving large enterprise businesses. All of these solutions can be combined with ADP SmartCompliance® to address the increasingly broad and complex needs of employers. Outside the United States, ADP addresses the needs of over 65,000 clients with premier global solutions consisting of in-country solutions and multinational offerings, including ADP GlobalView®, ADP Celergo®/Streamline® and ADP iHCM.



## Innovation at ADP

For over 70 years, ADP has proven that actively listening and responding to what clients and their employees need and want keeps the world of work progressing forward. ADP is a pioneer in HCM automation, HCM in the cloud, mobile HCM and a digital HCM marketplace.

Leveraging the power of data, ADP innovates by anticipating the future of work, the future of HCM and the future of pay to help clients transform their businesses, simplify work and empower their workers.

ADP's data is the basis for the ADP National Employment Report, recently retooled by the ADP Research Institute (DPRI) and the Stanford Digital Economy Lab to provide a more robust, independent high-frequency view of the labor market and trajectory of economic growth in the United States.

ADP is leading its innovation efforts with ADP® DataCloud, its machine learning (ML) and workforce analytics platform. DataCloud analyzes aggregated, anonymized and timely HCM and compensation data from more than 1 million organizations across the U.S., powering solutions that provide clients with in-depth workforce and business insights that help enable critical HR decisions.

ADP's next-gen platforms are designed to provide clients with the flexibility they need to address today's and tomorrow's workplace challenges, and to personalize the experience based on their needs. ADP's next-gen payroll platform is a global solution that supports workers of all types and helps enable real-time, transparent, continuous payroll calculations. It unlocks flexible pay choices for clients so they can provide the best pay experience for their workers.

Additionally, ADP launched Roll™ by ADP, a mobile-first solution reimagining how small business do payroll. This payroll solution utilizes an AI-Powered chat interface to turn traditional payroll management into an intuitive conversation that can complete payroll in under a minute.

ADP's innovative Wisely® payment and financial wellness offering includes a suite of personalized banking-alternative solutions designed to give employees fast and flexible choices to access their pay and other sources of income. Wisely® Pay is a network-branded paycard with a digital account, through which employees can access their pay, make purchases online and in store, deposit checks, load additional funds onto the card, and transfer funds to a bank account in the United States. Wisely® Direct, a network-branded general purpose reloadable card that comes with a digital account, provides similar features and functionality but is offered directly to consumers.

Innovation is also about putting clients first by giving them and their workers a faster, smarter, and easier user experience (UX) designed with and for them. ADP is investing in UX alignment and simplification across its strategic products and solutions, with new UX releases for RUN Powered by ADP®, MyADP, ADP® Mobile Solutions and, most recently, ADP Workforce Now®.

ADP's Mobile app helps simplify how work gets done by helping enable clients to process their payroll anywhere, and giving millions of their employees worldwide access to their payroll and HR information in 32 languages.

## **HCM Solutions**

Integrated HCM Solutions - ADP's premier suite of HCM products offers complete solutions that assist employers of all types and sizes in all stages of the employment cycle, from recruitment to retirement. ADP's suite of HCM solutions are powered by its strategic, cloud-based platforms, including:

- RUN Powered by ADP combines a software platform for small business payroll, HR management and tax compliance administration, with 24/7 service and support from its team of small business experts. RUN Powered by ADP also integrates with other ADP solutions, such as workforce management, workers' compensation insurance premium payment plans, and retirement plan administration systems.
- ADP Workforce Now is a flexible HCM solution used across mid-sized and large businesses in North America to manage their employees.
- ADP Vantage HCM is a solution for large enterprises in the United States. It offers a comprehensive set of HCM capabilities within a single solution that unifies the five major areas of HCM: HR management, benefits administration, payroll services, time and attendance management, and talent management.

Payroll Services - ADP pays over 25 million (approximately 1 out of every 6) workers in the United States. ADP offers flexible payroll services to employers of all sizes, including the preparation of employee paychecks, pay statements, supporting journals, summaries, and management reports. ADP provides employers with a wide range of payroll options, including using mobile technology, connecting their major enterprise resource planning ("ERP") applications with ADP's payroll services or outsourcing their entire payroll process to ADP. Employers can choose a variety of payroll payment options including ADP's electronic wage payment and in the United States, payroll card solutions and digital accounts. On behalf of ADP's clients in the United States, ADP prepares and files federal, state, and local payroll tax returns, and quarterly and annual Social Security, Medicare, and federal, state, and local income tax withholding reports.

Benefits Administration - In the United States, ADP provide powerful and agile solutions for employee benefits administration. These options include health and welfare administration services, leave administration services, insurance carrier enrollment services, employee communication services, and dependent verification services. In addition, ADP benefits administration solutions offer employers a simple and flexible cloud-based eligibility and enrollment system that provides their employees with tools, communications, and other resources they need to understand their benefits options and make informed choices.

Talent Management - ADP's Talent Management solutions simplify and improve the talent acquisition, management and activation process, from recruitment to ongoing employee engagement and development. Employers can also outsource their internal recruitment function to ADP. ADP's solutions provide performance, learning, succession and compensation management tools that help employers align goals to outcomes, and enable managers to identify and mitigate potential retention risks. ADP's talent activation solutions include StandOut® powered by ADP, which provides team leaders with data and insights to drive employee engagement and leadership development, which in turn help drive employee performance.

Workforce Management - ADP's Workforce Management offers a range of solutions to over 120,000 employers of all sizes, including time and attendance, absence management and scheduling tools. Time and attendance solutions include time capture via online timesheets, timeclocks with badge readers, biometrics and touch-screens, telephone/interactive voice response, and mobile smartphones and tablets. These tools automate the calculation and reporting of hours worked, helping employers prepare payroll, control costs and overtime, and manage compliance with wage and hour regulations. Absence management tools include accrued time off, attendance policy and leave case management modules. ADP's employee scheduling tools simplify visibility, offer shift-swapping capabilities and can assist managers with optimizing schedules to boost productivity and minimize under- and over-staffing. ADP also offers data analytics and reporting tools that provide clients with insights, benchmarks and performance metrics so they can better manage their workforce. In addition, industry-specific modules are available for labor forecasting, budgeting, activity and task management, grant and project tracking, and tips management.

Compliance Solutions - ADP's Compliance Solutions provides industry-leading expertise in payment compliance and employment-related tax matters that complement the payroll, HR and ERP systems of its clients.

- ADP SmartCompliance - In the United States, ADP SmartCompliance integrates client data delivered from its integrated HCM platforms or third-party payroll, HR and financial systems into a single, cloud-based solution. ADP's specialized teams use the data to work with clients to help them manage changing and complex regulatory landscapes and improve business processes. ADP SmartCompliance includes HCM-related compliance solutions such as Employment Tax and Wage Payments, as well as Tax Credits, Health Compliance, Wage Garnishments, Employment Verifications, Unemployment Claims and W-2 Management.
- ADP SmartCompliance Employment Tax - As part of its full-service employment tax services in the United States, ADP prepares and files employment tax returns on its clients' behalf and, in connection with these stand-alone services, collect employment taxes from clients and remit these taxes to more than 8,000 federal, state and local tax agencies.
- ADP SmartCompliance Wage Payments - In the United States, ADP offers compliant pay solutions for today's workforce, including electronic payroll disbursement options such as payroll cards, digital

accounts and direct deposit, as well as traditional payroll checks, which can be integrated with clients' ERP and payroll systems.

Human Resources Management - Commonly referred to as Human Resource Information Systems, ADP's Human Resources Management Solutions provide employers with a single system of record to support the entry, validation, maintenance, and reporting of data required for effective HR management, including employee names, addresses, job types, salary grades, employment history, and educational background.

Insurance Services - ADP's Insurance Services business, in conjunction with its licensed insurance agency, Automatic Data Processing Insurance Agency, Inc., facilitates access in the United States to workers' compensation and group health insurance for small and mid-sized clients through a variety of insurance carriers. ADP's automated Pay-by-Pay® premium payment program calculates and collects workers' compensation premium payments each pay period, simplifying this task for employers.

Retirement Services - ADP Retirement Services helps employers in the United States administer various types of retirement plans, such as traditional and Roth 401(k)s, profit sharing (including new comparability), SIMPLE and SEP IRAs, and executive deferred compensation plans. ADP Retirement Services offers a full service 401(k) plan program which provides recordkeeping and administrative services, combined with an investment platform offered through ADP Broker-Dealer, Inc. that gives its clients' employees access to a wide range of non-proprietary investment options and online tools to monitor the performance of their investments. In addition, ADP Retirement Services offers investment management services to retirement plans through ADP Strategic Plan Services, LLC, an SEC registered investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940. ADP Retirement Services also offers trustee services through a third party.

## **HRO Solutions**

As a leader in the growing HR Outsourcing market, ADP partners with its clients to offer a full range of seamless technology and service solutions for HR administration, workforce management, payroll services, benefits administration and talent management. From small businesses to enterprises with thousands of employees, ADP's clients gain proven technology and processes and service and support. Whether a client chooses ADP's PEO or other HR Outsourcing solutions, ADP offers solutions tailored to a client's specific needs and preferences – designed to meet the client's needs today, and as its business and needs evolve.

Professional Employer Organization - ADP TotalSource is enabled by ADP Workforce Now and offers small and mid-sized businesses a comprehensive HR outsourcing solution through a co-employment model. With a PEO, both ADP and the client have a co-employment relationship with the client's employees. ADP assumes certain employer responsibilities such as payroll processing and tax filings, and the client maintains control of its business and all management responsibilities. ADP TotalSource clients are able to offer their employees services and benefits on par with those of much larger enterprises, without the need to staff a full HR department. With

ADP's cloud-based HCM software at the core, ADP serves more than 16,000 clients and more than 725,000 worksite employees in all 50 U.S. states. ADP TotalSource is the largest PEO certified by the Internal Revenue Service as meeting the requirements to operate as a Certified Professional Employer Organization under the Internal Revenue Code. As a full-service PEO, ADP TotalSource provides a broad range of HR administrative services, including payroll and payroll tax, employer compliance, HR guidance, employee benefits and benefit administration, talent strategies, and workers' compensation insurance including risk and claims management. Some of the offerings available through ADP TotalSource to address today's workplace challenges include:

- **Better Employee Benefits:** Through its PEO, many of ADP's clients discover that they can offer a richer overall benefits package than they could afford to offer on their own. ADP gives clients access to a patented approach to help them target the best benefit plan offerings for their employees. They can compare plan options and make more educated decisions about what plan offering is best for their company and budget. In addition, ADP TotalSource integrates with ADP's ADP Marketplace to further tailor offerings, such as helping employees pay off student loans with payroll contributions and integrating a client's U.S. PEO population with its global workforce's HR system of record.
- **Protection and Compliance:** ADP TotalSource HR experts help clients manage the risks of being an employer by advising how to handle properly a range of issues – from HR and safety compliance to employee-relations. This includes access to workers' compensation coverage and expertise designed to help them handle both routine and unexpected incidents, including discrimination and harassment claims.
- **Talent Engagement:** Featuring a talent blueprint, ADP TotalSource HR experts work with clients to help them better engage and retain their workforce through solutions that support the core needs of an employee at work. In addition, ADP's full-service recruitment team is dedicated to helping its clients find and hire new talent, while reducing the stress of uncovering top talent.
- **Expertise:** Each client is assigned a designated HR specialist for day-to-day and strategic guidance. Clients can also access data-driven benchmarks in areas such as turnover and overtime, staffing and understanding profit leaks, and have their ADP HR expert help tailor recommendations to continue to drive their business forward. A payroll specialist is also available to clients to help them ensure their workers are paid correctly, on time and in compliance.

**ADP Comprehensive Services** - Leveraging its market leading ADP Workforce Now platform, ADP Comprehensive Services partners with clients of all types and sizes to tackle their HR, talent, benefits administration and pay challenges with help from ADP's expertise, experience, and best practices. ADP Comprehensive Services is flexible – enabling clients to partner with ADP for managed services for one, some or all areas across HR, talent, benefits administration and pay. ADP provides outsourced execution that combines processes, technology, and a robust service and support team that acts as an extension of its client's in-house resources – so their HCM and pay operations are executed with confidence.

ADP Comprehensive Outsourcing Services (ADP COS) - ADP COS is designed for large business outsourcing for payroll, HR administration, workforce management, benefits administration and talent management. With ADP COS, the day-to-day payroll process becomes ADP's responsibility, freeing up clients to address critical issues like employee engagement and retention. The combination of technology, expertise, and data-driven insights that ADP COS offers allows clients to focus on strategy and results.

ADP Recruitment Process Outsourcing Services (ADP RPO®) - ADP RPO provides deep talent insights to help drive targeted recruitment strategies for attracting top talent. With global, customizable recruitment services, ADP RPO enables organizations to find and hire the best candidates for hourly, professional or executive positions. In addition, ADP also delivers market analytics, sourcing strategies, candidate screening, selection and on-boarding solutions to help organizations connect their talent strategy to their business's priorities.

## **Global Solutions**

ADP's global solutions consist of multi-country and local in-country solutions for employers of any type or size. ADP partners with clients to help them navigate the most complex HR and payroll scenarios using tailored and scalable technology supported by its deep compliance expertise.

ADP Global Payroll is a solution for multinational organizations of all sizes, empowering them to harmonize HCM strategies in 140 countries globally. This improves visibility, control and operational efficiency, giving organizations the insight and confidence to adapt to changing local needs, while helping to drive overall organizational agility and engagement.

ADP also offers comprehensive, country-specific HCM solutions that combine innovative technology with deep local expertise. By operating a flexible service model, ADP helps clients manage various combinations of payroll services, HR management, time and attendance management, talent management and benefits management, depending on the country in which the solution is provided.

ADP pays over 15 million workers outside the United States with its in-country solutions and with ADP GlobalView, ADP Celergo/Streamline and ADP iHCM – ADP's simplified and intuitive multi-country solutions. As part of its global payroll services, ADP supplies year-end regulatory and legislative tax statements and other forms to its clients' employees. ADP's global talent management solutions help elevate the employee experience, from recruitment to ongoing employee engagement and development. ADP's comprehensive HR solutions combined with deep expertise make its clients' global HR management strategies a reality. ADP's configurable, automated time and attendance tools help global clients understand the work being performed and the resources being used, and help ensure the right people are in the right place at the right time.



## RELEVANT ASPECTS OF THE CONTROL ENVIRONMENT, RISK ASSESSMENT, MONITORING, CONTROL ACTIVITIES, AND INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION

### CONTROL ENVIRONMENT

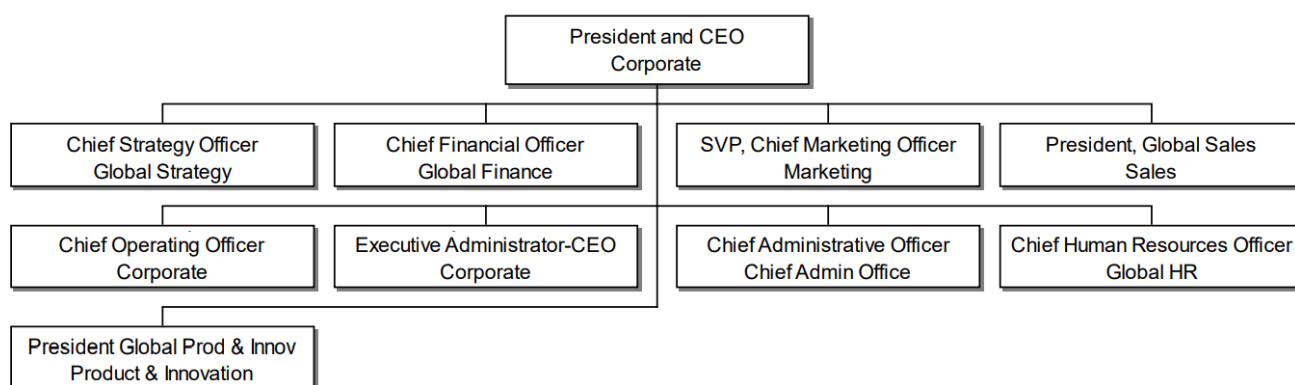
ADP's control environment reflects the position taken by management, its Board of Directors, and others concerning the importance of controls and the emphasis given to controls in its policies, procedures, methods, and organizational structure. Management takes seriously defects identified in internal and/or external audit reports and takes responsibility for remediation activities. The following is a description of the key elements of ADP's control environment related to supporting the services described in this Description.

#### Oversight by ADP's Board of Directors

ADP's Board of Directors has the ultimate responsibility for overseeing the business policies of ADP. The Board of Directors, composed of internal and external business executives, meets at least once per quarter to discuss matters pertinent to ADP's operations and to review financial results. The Board of Director's Audit Committee, composed of four independent directors, meets quarterly and is responsible for reviewing: ADP's financial results, results of the audits of the independent external auditor, findings, and recommendations identified as a result of internal and external audits; and major litigation.

#### Organizational Structure

##### *Corporate Structure*



### *Other ADP Corporate Supporting Groups*

Global Legal, Compliance, Ethics and Global Security Organization (GSO) - ADP's Global Legal, Compliance, GSO and Ethics departments, headquartered in Roseland, New Jersey, provide legal and compliance support for the company's business and functional organizations, as well as for ADP's Board of Directors.

Global Product & Technology (GPT) - The GPT organization is a driving force of over 10,000 technologists across the globe who design, develop and manage ADP's entire product and infrastructure portfolio to create experiences for clients, their employees and shape the future of work. GPT includes three core areas:

- Global Product & Innovation is a key factor in the design and management of ADP's products, including the user experience across products.
- Global Product Development uses those insights to manage ADP's portfolio and help ensure ease of use, quality, resiliency, and performance with capabilities for clients.
- Global Enterprise & Technology Solutions (GETS) is responsible for internal technology infrastructure for ADP associates and products.

Together, they are the backbone of ADP - a technology powerhouse with a unique purpose to provide a global HR program and solutions.

ADP GSO - ADP's Chief Security Officer oversees ADP's GSO and reports to the Chief Administrative Officer. The GSO consists of cross-divisional security teams leveraging a multi-disciplinary approach to compliance with cyber and information security standards, operational risk management, client security management, workforce protection and business resilience. Roles and responsibilities have been formally defined for all members of the GSO. The GSO is charged with the design, implementation and oversight of ADP's information security program based on corporate policies. The GSO's activities are overseen by the Executive Security Committee, whose members include ADP's Chief Executive Officer, Chief Operating Officer, ADP President, Chief Administrative Officer, Chief Human Resources Officer, Chief Legal Officer, Chief Financial Officer, and Corporate Vice President of Global Product & Technology.

### **Human Resources Policies and Practices**

Controls have been implemented covering critical employment aspects including hiring, training and development, performance appraisals, advancement, and termination. Upon being hired, new employees are issued an employee packet documenting various procedural and administrative matters that are discussed during the new-hire orientation program.

The HR department is primarily responsible for recruiting and evaluating job applicants. Based on the sensitivity of the underlying job, various levels of background checks are performed on applicants before or following their



employment. HR policies and procedures are posted on ADP's Intranet. These policies include, but are not limited to:

- Employment
- Equal Employment Opportunity
- Code of Corporate Responsibility
- Ethical Standards
- Honesty and Fair Dealing
- Conflicts of Interest
- Disclosure, Use, and Copying of ADP and Third-Party Software
- Harassment
- Substance Abuse
- Confidentiality of Information
- Electronic Communication Systems
- Corrective Actions

ADP's core values are posted on ADP's Corporate Intranet and include Integrity is Everything, Service Excellence, Inspiring Innovation, Each Person Counts, Results-Driven, and Social Responsibility. In-depth explanations of these values are available to personnel and a user awareness program is in place to familiarize employees with these core values. Associates are required to participate in the new hire orientation program which contains information about ADP's general operating practices, policies, and procedures, and assist employees in becoming acclimated to ADP's business philosophy. The orientation activities assist new associates in understanding ADP's overall mission and core values, departmental operation practices, and individual performance objectives.

ADP has a formal "Code of Conduct" that employees must read and acknowledge as part of their new employee orientation. Also, associates are required to disclose any previously unreported circumstances or events known by the employee that appears to violate this Code. ADP provides communication channels for associates to report violations of policies and unethical behavior, including a third-party administered ethics hotline. This Code of Conduct serves as an ethical guide for directors, officers, and employees of ADP. This policy covers areas of business conduct and ethics when working with clients, suppliers, the public, and other employees, and conflicts of interest that could arise between each associate's personal conduct and their positions with ADP. Associates who violate ADP's ethical standards and security policies are subject to progressive discipline, up to and including termination.

The HR Department coordinates yearly performance reviews and compensation adjustments in addition to setting hiring salary levels. Written employee position descriptions are maintained on file and are reviewed annually and revised, as necessary, by department managers. Employees are allowed an annual leave allowance based upon years of service. Each employee's manager must approve vacation time.

ADP has a written policy that deals with voluntary and involuntary employee terminations. Exit interviews are conducted and company property is collected. Procedures have been implemented for collecting company materials, deactivating card keys, and revoking physical and logical security access. Security or facilities personnel escort terminated employees out of the facility.

### **Corporate Internal Audit Function**

The Corporate Internal Audit department is based at ADP's Corporate Headquarters in New Jersey, United States, and also has personnel located in Norfolk, VA, Europe and India. Corporate Internal Audit employs financial, operational, and information systems audit specialists. The department has an unlimited scope of operations and is responsible for auditing ADP globally. In addition to performing risk-based audits, the Corporate Internal Audit department performs a stand-alone Fraud Risk Assessment on an annual basis. Potential fraud risks are also incorporated into each audit that the department performs. The Corporate Internal Audit department is led by the Chief Audit Executive, who reports to ADP's Audit Committee and administratively to the Chief Financial Officer.

## **RISK ASSESSMENT**

### **Enterprise Risk Management Process**

The Board of Directors of ADP is in charge of overseeing ADP's enterprise risk and integrated risk management activities and initiatives, which are intended to identify, prioritize, analyze, monitor, and mitigate different risks that ADP faces, including risks relating to the ADP's operational and financial strategy execution. The Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) function is responsible for the day-to-day management of ADP's standard enterprise risk management process and the monitoring of the enterprise risk profile. ADP's Risk Taxonomy classifies ADP's risk profile into five families: strategic, digital and technology, operational, legal and compliance, and financial management and financial reporting. The risk taxonomy is reviewed and revised periodically with the advice of the Integrated Assurance Steering Committee and the Executive Risk Committee.

Executive leadership, senior leadership, and business function and corporate function areas are expected to participate in the annual enterprise risk assessment by assessing ADP's risk profile in terms of likelihood of occurrence, potential impact, and velocity, as well as emerging risks. The risk assessment results are communicated to the Executive Risk Committee, the Board Audit Committee, the Integrated Assurance Committee, Corporate Internal Audit, business unit and functional/regional leadership teams, and other relevant stakeholders annually.

## **MONITORING**

The Board of Directors has established an Audit Committee that oversees ADP's risk assessment and monitoring activities. Ongoing risk assessments and management feedback are used to determine specific internal and external audit activities needed. Management designates personnel to monitor selected projects during design and implementation to consider their impact on the control environment before implementation.

ADP management and supervisory personnel monitor internal control performance quality as a normal part of their activities. To assist them with these monitoring activities, the organization has implemented a variety of activity and exception reports that measure the results of various processes involved in providing services to client organizations including processing volume and system availability reports as well as processing logs. Exceptions to normal or scheduled processing due to hardware, software, or procedural problems are logged, reported, and resolved daily. The appropriate levels of management review these reports daily and action is taken, as necessary.

### **Client Satisfaction Monitoring**

Solution Center management communicates regularly with internal staff and clients to discuss issues and client satisfaction. Also, clients are surveyed after implementation, and annually thereafter, to determine client satisfaction with ongoing service delivery and products.

### **Internal Audit Monitoring**

ADP's business units are subject to periodic reviews by internal and external auditors. Internal auditor involvement may include, but is not limited to, gaining an understanding of, and evaluating:

- Management structure
- Systems development and programming
- Computer operations
- Physical and logical access
- Finance and accounting

The Internal Audit department issues are reported to the relevant ADP senior management stakeholder and if appropriate, the relevant business unit President and/or Chief Financial Officer.

### **Third-Party Vendor Monitoring**

ADP assesses, measures, monitors, and controls the risks associated with third parties through its Third-Party Risk Management program. Responsibility for the overall Third-Party Risk Management program resides within ADP's Global Procurement Organization and ADP's Global Third-Party Assurance Office (TPAO) within the GSO. Global Procurement is responsible for the third-party selection and on-boarding process and the managing

of the third-party relationship. The TPAO is responsible for the third-party risk monitoring process, as a preventive risk mitigation strategy against potential third-party threats, which includes developing and approving policies and procedures, communication of changes and updates to the policies.

## **CONTROL ACTIVITIES**

ADP has developed and implemented formal policies and procedures that address critical operational processes to help management ensure that directives are carried out to meet company objectives. Control activities, whether automated or manual, related to the achievement of specific control objectives are applied at various levels throughout the organization.

Specific control activities are provided in the *Transaction Processing* and *General Computer Control* sections within this Description as well as within Section Four: *Description of Control Objectives, Controls, Tests, and Results of Tests*.

## **INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION**

ADP's information system has been designed to capture relevant information to achieve the financial reporting objectives of its user entities. The information system also consists of procedures, whether automated or manual, and records to initiate, authorize, record, process, and report user entity's transactions (as well as events and conditions) and maintain accountability for the related assets, liabilities, and equity. A description of the information system is provided within the *Overview of Operations* section of this Description.

### **Employees**

ADP has implemented various communication methods to assist employees in understanding their individual roles and corporate controls, and to encourage timely communication of significant events. The particulars vary from region to region but include orientation and training programs for new employees. Also, all new employees receive a copy of a handbook that describes ADP policies. Newsletters that summarize significant events and changes to ADP corporate policy are issued regularly. Time-sensitive information is communicated to employees by email. Managers hold staff meetings monthly or as needed. Employees have written job descriptions. ADP conducts background and security checks and verifies references.

### **Clients**

Client communication methods vary from region to region; however, each region sends newsletters and holds meetings and seminars to apprise their clients of the system and regulatory changes that might affect the client organization. Also, each client organization has a service representative who communicates with the client organization regularly by phone, fax, letter, and email.

## CONTROL OBJECTIVES AND CONTROLS

The control objectives specified by ADP, the controls that achieve those control objectives, and management responses to deviations, if any, are listed in the accompanying *Description of Control Objectives, Controls, Tests, and Results of Tests*. The control objectives, controls, and management responses are an integral part of the Description.

## OVERVIEW OF THE AUTOPAY PAYROLL SERVICE

### Service Overview

ADP's AutoPay Payroll Services System is comprised of hosting and outsourced processing that includes:

- Receipt/input of employee current period hours and/or current period earnings
- Master file maintenance (input related to new hires, updates to existing employees' data, or changes to the company's master data)
- Payroll transaction processing based on client-specified schedules
- Production of output, including check and voucher pay statements, payroll and tax reports, and output files, such as money movement, general ledger, and data files

The ADP payroll locations supporting clients throughout the U.S. and Canada are comprised of:

- Service Payroll Centers (collectively referred to in this report as Regions) – Regions perform the primary activities for Payroll Services clients, including printing client payrolls, ADPChecks, and distribution of payroll-related documents and files. The Regions also perform the gross-to-net calculations. Region activities are processed on the Mainframe platform hosted at ADP's GETS North America (formerly known as GETS North America) hosting and data center facility.
- Satellite locations are responsible for selling ES products to clients, implementing clients on the various ADP platforms, and providing ongoing client support.

### IT Applications and Supporting Infrastructure

The AutoPay Payroll Services System is comprised of the applications depicted below, along with the supporting operating systems and database platforms:

Application Name	Operating System Technology	Database Technology	Description
AutoPay Application	Mainframe	IBM DB2	Hosted payroll processing application that stores client employee master data, as well as processes and calculates client payroll. The AutoPay Application also consists of various core modules, databases, and programs referenced throughout this description such as Client Control Information (CCI), Datapool, Payroll Tracking Control System (PTCS), KeyFast, MQSeries, AutoLink, Calc Update Interface (CUI) database, Batch Edit Rule Database,

Application Name	Operating System Technology	Database Technology	Description
			Employee Master Database (EMP), Management Reporting System (MR 2000), and Statutory (STAT) File database.
PayForce	Lintel	Oracle	Hosted Input System that offers the ability to enter and transmit payroll information to the AutoPay Application, as well as providing basic HR recordkeeping functionality.
Enterprise	zLinux, Lintel	Oracle	Hosted Input Systems for ADP National Account clients that provide screens for clients to enter payroll data and transmit payroll information to the AutoPay Application. Enterprise versions include Hosted-Enterprise HR AutoLink (E1K), and Enterprise v5 (EV5).
Self Service Portal	VMWARE	N/A	Hosted front-end/web-based Input System that provides an interface that can be used by clients to view and modify individual data.
iPay, iReports	Windows AIX	Oracle	Hosted web-based Output System that provides clients the ability to view PDF copies of their payroll output reports that are produced by the AutoPay Application.

### Key Organizational Support Structure

The organizational structure supporting ADP's AutoPay Payroll Services System is comprised of ES Group Staff, ES Divisional Staff, ES Regional Staff, Service Payroll Centers, Tax Center of Excellence Service Centers, and ES Field Operations.

**ES Group Staff** – The ES Group Staff is responsible for activities associated with supporting data processing systems. The ES Group includes the following groups:

- Finance
- Human Resources Shared Services (HRSS)
- Sales
- Client Services
- Field Services
- Major Account Services
- National Account Services
- Small Business Services

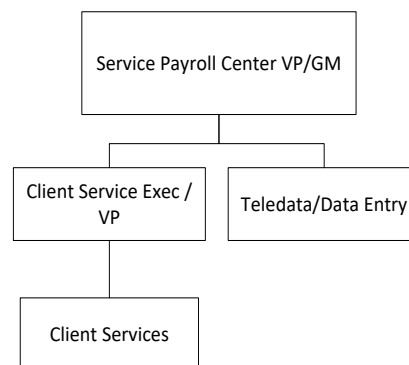
ES Divisional Staff – The ES Divisional Staff supports the Service Centers. The Divisional staff is responsible for:

- Coordinating the activities for the Service Centers
- Promoting product and operating efficiency
- Providing technical, sales, financial, and human resources development support to the Service Centers

ES Regional Staff – The ES Regional Staff is located in the Service Centers and is responsible for:

- Selling products to clients
- Converting clients to ADP's systems
- Supporting the hosting of hardware and software that is used to support the transmission of client payrolls
- Supporting the hosting of hardware and software that is used to support printing of client payrolls
- Supporting processing of clients' payrolls
- Producing and distributing payroll related documents and files
- Providing ongoing support and service to clients

Service Payroll Centers (Service Center) – Each Service Center is similarly organized. Staffing varies based on the Service Center's type and client base. In most Service Centers, the functions are part of the regional organization.



The Service Centers functional groups include:

- *Client Services* – responsible for taking corrective action, when necessary, to provide timely and accurate payroll processing. After the Implementation Specialists successfully set up clients on the AutoPay Application, Client Support Specialists (CSSs) also referred to as Solution Center Consultants, are assigned to the client, allowing clients to contact CSSs directly with AutoPay Application questions.
- *Teledata/Data Entry* – responsible for entering and verifying payroll information received via telephone, fax, or worksheets into the “Key-Fast” system that is used for online payroll data entry and data validation. Only some Service Centers support the processing of worksheet payroll data.

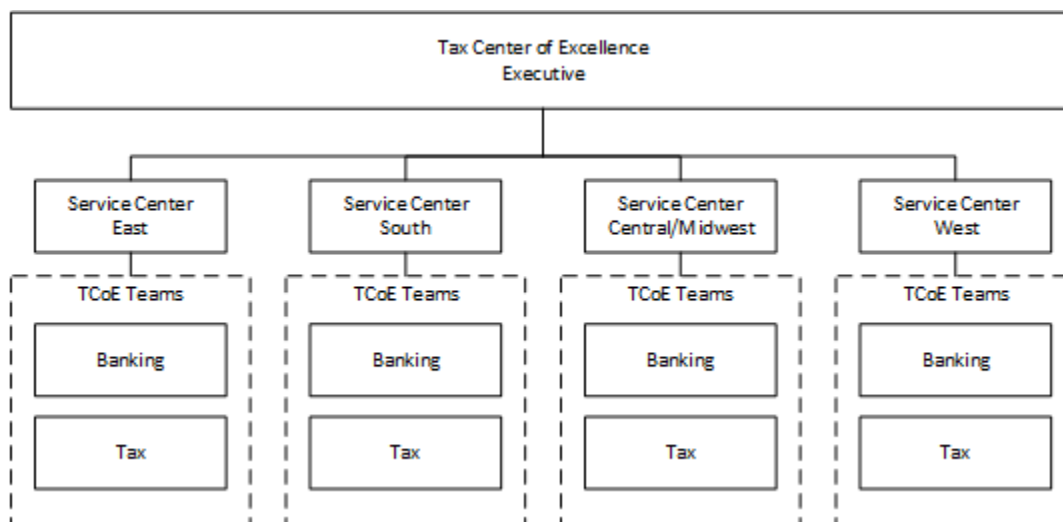


## Global Money Movement and Compliance

- *Payment Services* – Handles all the client’s Reverse and Direct wires funding (covering any tax & money movement products). Assess client against ADP risk policy prior to being setup for funding services. This team also supports any funding issues that arise including nonsufficient funds and bankruptcy services.
- *Data Transmissions* – The Data Transmissions team is responsible for sending, confirming, and reconciling the Traditional Banking Direct Deposit and Check Issuance files produced by the Autopay system for all 21 Major (MAS) and National (NAS) regions. Additionally, the Data Transmissions Team is responsible for setting up and/or updating Traditional Banking Direct Deposit and Check Issuance transmissions per client requests.

Tax Center of Excellence Service Centers – For each of the Tax Center of Excellence Service Centers (TCoE), the AutoPay Application produces money movement files (if contracted by clients), such as direct deposit files and Full-Service Direct Deposit (FSDD) and ADPCheck files. The TCoE are also responsible for addressing issues related to accruing and impounding tax liabilities as incurred for clients using ADP’s Payroll Tax System. The relevant functional groups within each TCoE include the following departments listed in the chart below:

- Banking: responsible for a variety of functions related to Full Service Direct Deposit (FSDD) and ADPCheck.
- Tax: responsible for the production of tax documents and for maintaining specific tax-related client information.

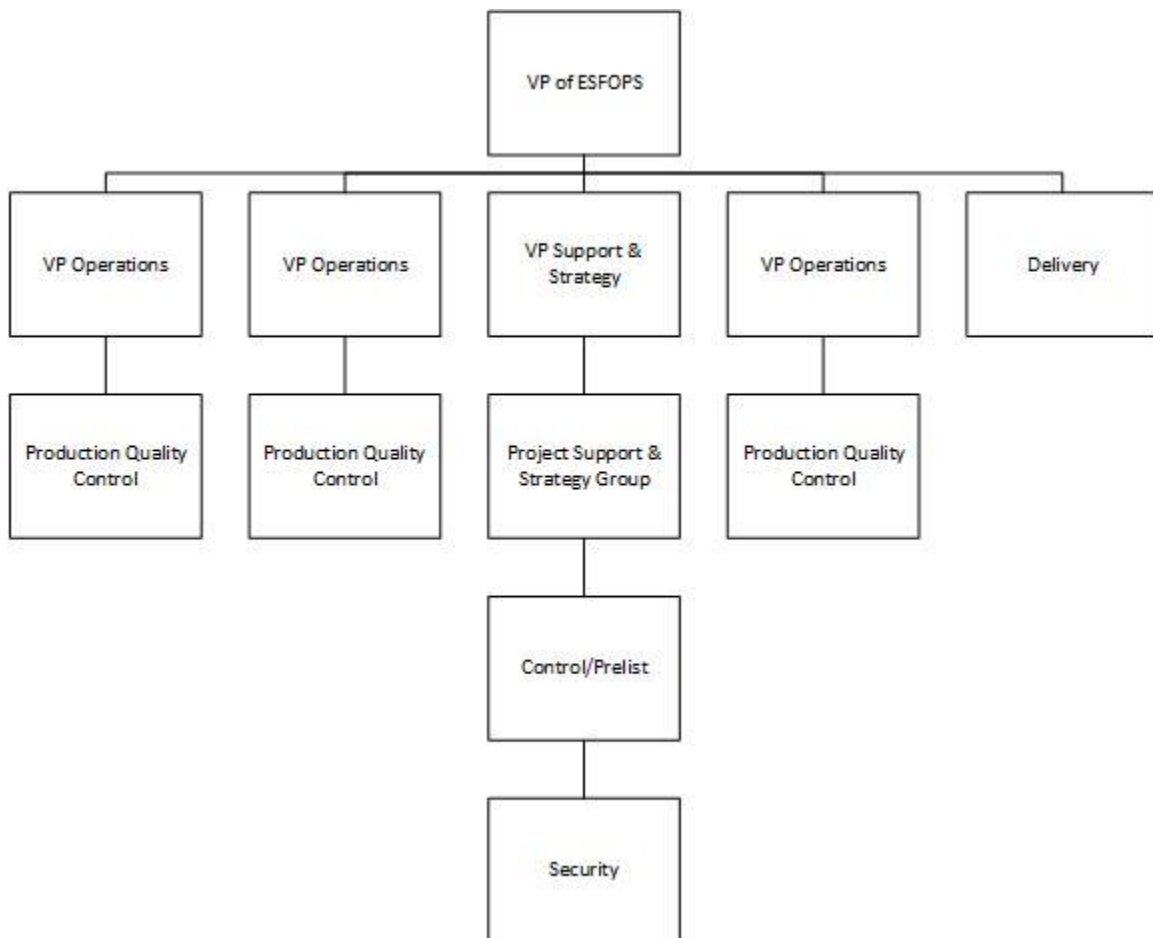


ES Field Operations (ESFOPS) – the relevant functional groups within ESFOPS include:

- *Payroll Production/Quality Control/Operations* – responsible for day-to-day regional payroll production operations, including printing and stuffing paper output. The Service Centers use consistent hardware, software, and operating procedures to process payrolls and are also responsible for assembling the payroll

processing output (i.e., printed reports and pay documents) as well as for packaging it for delivery to the client.

- *Prelist/Editing* – responsible for processing client input according to specifications and taking corrective action if a client input error should occur. Prelist/Editing reviews payroll processing control information for accuracy and completeness. The Regional Prelist/Editing teams also assist the GETS organization, monitoring transmissions from Enhanced Payroll Communication (EPC) servers.
- *Control/Laser Imaging* – responsible for the set-up and maintenance of digitized client images including clients' authorized payroll signatures and logos, and the setup and close out of clients' quarterly ledger files and quarterly reports.
- *Delivery* – responsible for the pickup and delivery of payroll packages and monitoring these activities.



#### Other AutoPay Payroll Supporting Groups:

- *Development* – responsible for the development, maintenance, and quality assurance testing of the AutoPay Application and supporting Input/Output Applications.

- *GETS Organization* – responsible for providing hosting and networking technical assistance as well as support for hardware and software related needs. This includes operating system (OS) standards and initiating OS updates as well as deployment of application releases to production. These teams are covered within the ADP GETS North America Organization SOC 1 Report (formerly known as the GETS North America SOC 1 Report).
- *Access & Identity Management (AIM)* – responsible for developing the Security Management Services (SMS) product. SMS is a web security product that provides the basic security protocol for accessing several ADP products, including Enterprise (E1K and EV5), iPay, iReports, Next Gen HCM, MAS GLI, NAS ADP GL, Retirement Services, Vantage, Wage Payments, and Workforce Now and provides:
  - Centralized user administration
  - Strong user authentication (requiring user ID/password and a digital certificate)
  - Role-based user authorization
  - Single sign-on features across multiple ADP web-based products

### **Changes to the Control Environment**

There have been no changes to the control environment that would be considered significant to a user entity or its auditors.

## SCOPE OF THE REPORT

This description was prepared in accordance with the criteria set forth for a SOC 1® Type 2 Report in the ADP Management Assertion and the guidance for a description of a service organization's system set forth in the AICPA Attestation Standards AT-C section 320 as clarified and recodified by Statement on Standards for Attestation Engagements (SSAE) No. 18 *Attestation Standards: Clarification and Recodification*.

This report covers ADP's AutoPay Payroll Services that comprise the hosting and outsourcing of payroll transaction processing applicable to ADP's AutoPay Application and the supporting Input/Output Systems described in the prior section (collectively referred to as the "AutoPay Payroll Services System").

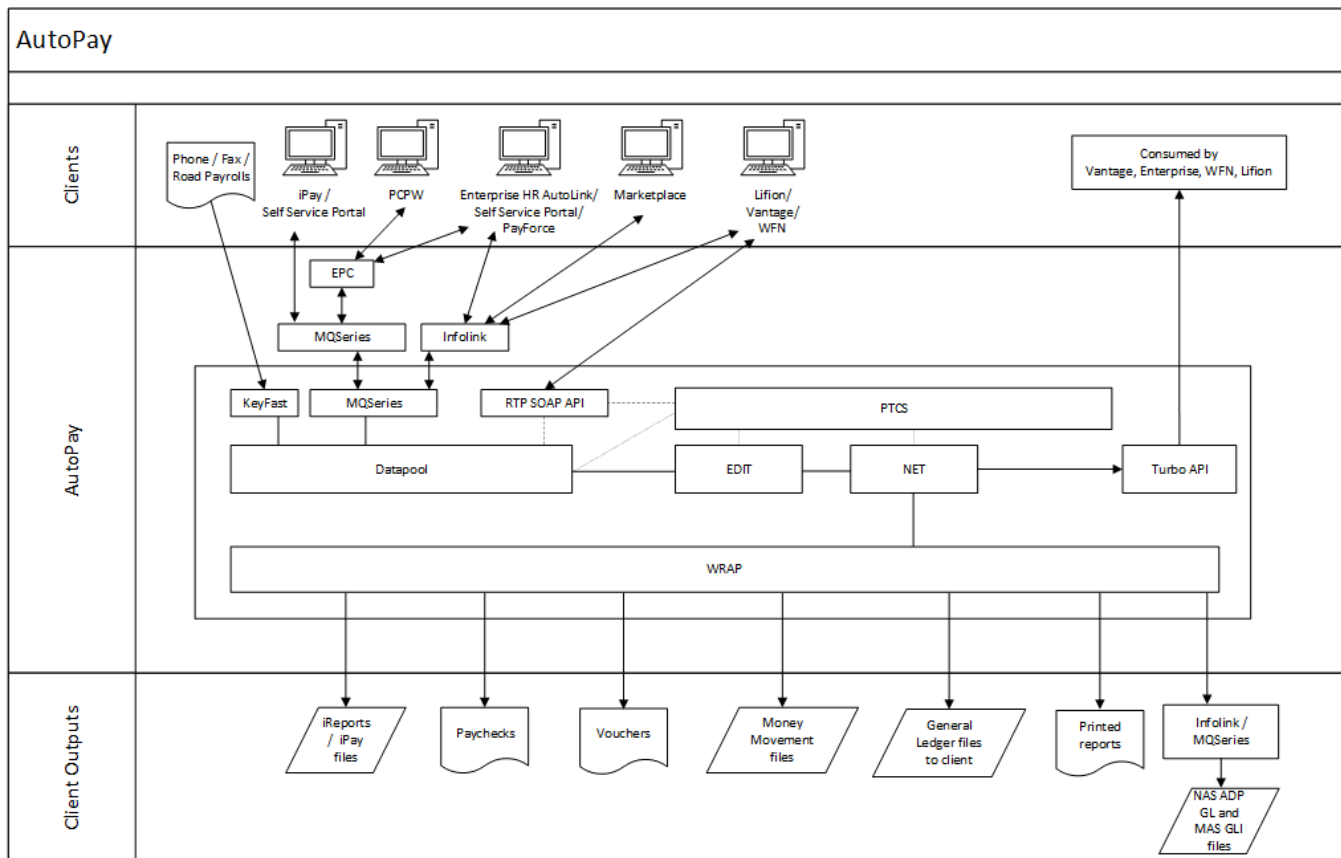
The scope of the report covers the business processes that ADP has determined are significant to its clients from a financial reporting perspective and the applicable information technology processes specific to supporting the AutoPay Payroll Services System. New client implementations and any unique client situations are outside the scope of this Description.

The AutoPay Payroll Services System interfaces with other ADP systems (e.g., iPay, iReports, ADP Marketplace, MAS GLI, NAS ADP GL) and/or services (e.g., Enterprise (E1K, EV5 & EV6), Next Gen HCM, Retirement Services, Vantage, Wage Payments, Workforce Now). These are optional systems and/or services that clients can contract with ADP. Also, clients may contract with ADP for additional support services via ADP Comprehensive Outsourcing Services (COS). This service allows clients to transfer administrative responsibility for a range of selected processes to ADP. These are optional services that clients can contract with ADP (or use other service providers). This report is not intended to encompass the control aspects of other ADP services or platforms that may interface with the AutoPay Payroll Services System.

## TRANSACTION PROCESSING

### Overview of Key Transaction Processing/Services

AutoPay Payroll Services transaction processing encompasses three major components: Payroll Input, Payroll Processing, and Payroll Output. Payroll Input consists of payroll data related to an employee's current period hours and/or earnings and Masterfile maintenance that is collected from the client into ADP-provided Input Systems or communicated directly to ADP for input by phone or fax. ADP processes payroll transactions using the client-provided input and generates a variety of standard and optional output reports (e.g., payroll registers, payroll summary), data files (e.g., money movement, direct deposit, general ledger files including files for NAS ADP GL and MAS GLI, iPay, and iReports files). Output reports and files are distributed to clients when produced. The following is a high-level overview of the payroll transaction flow:



## Payroll Input

### *Datapool*

Datapool, a component of the AutoPay Application, is the central repository for data received from any of the Input Systems. Data is held in Datapool until it is ready for processing. Datapool imports and retains information to be processed by the AutoPay Application until polled by the PTCS. Once polled, the data is submitted to the next processing phase of the AutoPay Application.

The AutoPay Application receives client data input from two primary input methods:

- Automated Input (primary method) – Clients can use one of several ADP-supplied Input Systems, such as Enterprise, PayForce, iPay, or Self-Service Portal. Input Systems can be hosted by ADP or installed at a client site (i.e., premised-based systems). Premised-based systems are optional and not in the scope of this Description.
- Manual Input (secondary method – a small percentage of clients) –
  - o Clients communicate payroll data to ADP over the phone or send completed system-generated standard forms that contain payroll data via fax or courier.
  - o ADP Data Entry (Teledata) operators manually enter the payroll information into the AutoPay Application for processing.

### Automated Input

Clients use the Input Systems to enter and transmit their payroll transactions which are then automatically transmitted to ADP's AutoPay Application for processing. This enables clients to enter and validate transactions and provides them with more control over entering payroll information. When clients use the Input Systems, the transactions are transmitted to AutoPay for processing through one of the following communication systems: ADP's EPC or Infolink, or the MQSeries file-transfer system. These communication systems run on ADP's local area network (LAN) and periodically communicate with the Mainframe's Datapool component through automatic interfaces. Built-in security features (e.g., encryption, user IDs, and passwords) enable clients to maintain the confidentiality of sensitive employee information. The Input Systems also promote efficient data entry by using edit checks that are applied when data is input. The edit checks also improve the accuracy of payroll data input before being transmitted to the AutoPay Application for processing.

Each of the Input Systems allows the client to enter payroll data on an ongoing basis, as information becomes available, enabling data entry flexibility. The data is accumulated within the Input Systems, validated by the client, and held until the client elects to submit it for processing. Upon client submission, the data is automatically transmitted by the communication systems to the AutoPay Application for processing. The data can be recalled by the client from the Input Systems and edited at any time in the Input Systems before

transmission. The communication systems receive the data throughout the day and periodically transfers it into Datapool where it is held until processed.

### Manual Input

AutoPay Payroll Services clients can also submit payroll transactions directly to ADP Teledata operators by phone. Some regions can receive client payroll information by fax.

Daily, Teledata operators review online call and fax lists. The call list contains the clients whose payroll input must be obtained that day. A Teledata operator calls the client contact at a pre-arranged time and obtains the payroll information needed for input. In some regions, clients can call the Teledata operators directly. The caller must provide information that identifies them as an authorized Teledata client. The Teledata operator keys the payroll information into the Key-Fast system (a component of the AutoPay Application), which performs a preliminary data verification known as “editing” that includes validations against various control databases. Page totals are verified with the client to verify that data is keyed accurately. Input received from Key-Fast is transferred to Datapool where it is held until processed.

### *Statutory (STAT) File Maintenance*

The AutoPay development team currently leverages the Agile methodology to develop and complete AutoPay STAT File Maintenance changes. The specifics of this Software Development Life Cycle (SDLC) method are described in the following sections.

The AutoPay Application tax-withholding rate modules are maintained in the STAT File database. The STAT File database feeds the AutoPay statutory and quarter/year-end modules and is used during payroll processing for tax rate information based on client company code and employee number.

The Payroll Statutory Kanban team maintains the STAT File database. Statutory Research Shared Services personnel make ongoing inquiries about, and obtain statutory information concerning, requirements and pending and enacted legislation that can impact the following payroll tax issues, some of which, but not all, are housed in the STAT File database: tax withholding calculations, quarter and year-end forms, fringe benefits, magnetic media/electronic-filing specifications, new-product statutory requirement, wage garnishments, new hire reporting, state unemployment wages, and taxability rules.

Statutory Research Shared Services monitors statutory changes for payroll-related taxes for both U.S. and Canadian taxing authorities at the following levels: federal, state, local (city) and county, Canadian provinces and territories, and U.S. territories and commonwealths. In conducting statutory research, the Statutory Research Shared Services group uses contacts, and maintains evidence of each contact for tracking purposes, at relevant government agencies, various online and hard-copy publications, relevant Internet websites, Internal Revenue

Code and Regulations, payroll trade, and other relevant association newsletters, attendance at industry and government conferences, and participation in service bureau consortiums.

Upon identification of a statutory change, the Statutory Research Shared Services Group creates a tracking item that includes details obtained from the Work in Progress (WIP) item used for monitoring and indicates that an actual statutory change was issued. The Statutory Project Manager then creates a “Development” tracking item, which is assigned to a Business Analyst on the Payroll Statutory Kanban team. The Business Analyst is responsible for prioritizing, analyzing, and scheduling the statutory item, based upon the effective date of the statutory change. Identifying the AutoPay Application impacts (e.g., STAT File, quarter, client, region), and creating “Narratives” to be used for further research and development of the proposed change, is also the responsibility of the business analyst.

Each narrative has a developer, tester, and documentation specialist assigned. Elaboration sessions are held to review the narrative’s content and apply revisions as needed. The assigned business analyst, developer, tester, and documentation specialist participate in elaboration. After elaboration is complete, development occurs, followed by testing and certification. Certification and acceptance of the statutory change by the Payroll Statutory Kanban team tester signifies that the STAT File database updates are ready for deployment. The Payroll Statutory Kanban team’s Scrum Master holds daily meetings to discuss the status of each feature and narrative. The status is tracked using tracking software.

The Statutory Project Manager holds a weekly tracking meeting to discuss the status of time-sensitive open statutory changes not yet released to the regions. A point-in-time tracking report lists open tracking items, and the WIP report that lists potential, or work-in-progress statutory items monitored by the Statutory Research Shared Services Group, are reviewed during the tracking meeting.

Statutory changes are implemented based on the details provided in the tracking item and narrative. For changes that do not require code modifications, the STAT File database updates are entered directly in the STAT File database. For changes requiring coding modifications, these follow the standard change management process described in the *General Computer Controls* section of this Description.

Updates requiring coding modifications are coded and tested by either the Payroll Statutory Kanban team or designated AutoPay Scrum teams. Both teams certify and “accept” changes signifying they are ready for release to the AutoPay Application production environment. The process and controls for releasing changes follow the Change Management process described in the *General Computer Controls* section of this Description.

Logical access to the STAT File database is limited to authorized personnel who log in using their Mainframe user ID and password. The process and controls for STAT File database access follow the Logical Security process described in the *General Computer Controls* section of this Description.



## **Payroll Processing**

Processing is divided into two phases: EDIT and NET/CALC. ADP uses the AutoPay Application's PTCS to track, control, and monitor the results of each processing phase. PTCS controls the processing of data from Datapool through NET/CALC processing. Using online screens, individual Regions can define processing parameters based on their individual requirements, including the length of time data can accumulate before being transferred to the next processing phase. PTCS provides online inquiries to track the status of the individual payrolls that are being processed by the AutoPay Application. PTCS also provides online control totals and daily production statistics that are used to track and monitor AutoPay Application processing activities.

### *EDIT Processing*

EDIT is an AutoPay Application program, managed by PTCS, that automatically collects and processes payroll data received from Datapool.

During EDIT processing, the program automatically compares the payroll data received from Datapool with the EMP to verify information such as employee numbers. Four error levels are used to evaluate the comparison: 1) Syntactical; 2) Relational I; 3) Relational II, and 4) Relational III. Syntactical checks verify syntax for propriety. These relational levels provide more detailed edit checking based on error complexity. The rules are stored in the Batch Edit Rule Database and changes follow the ADP change management process. The EDIT program then flags payroll data as Ready for Edit, Ready for NET/CALC, Error, and Ready for Reprocessing. The Editing Group reviews payroll data flagged as 'Error' and if they cannot correct the error, the Client Services Group is notified. The Client Services Group then contacts the client to resolve the error. The Editing Group may contact clients directly to resolve errors.

Once EDIT errors are corrected, the program communicates the payroll data status to PTCS as 'Ready for NET/CALC' and the next processing phase, NET/CALC, starts.

The EDIT processing phase produces one output from the CUI database file. This file maintains payroll information on a company level and is used to support the NET/CALC process and remains on the AutoPay Application for a defined amount of time as specified by the individual region. The CUI information is retained so the region can rerun a payroll if necessary.

### *NET/CALC Processing*

PTCS moves client payrolls flagged as Ready for NET/CALC processing from the CUI database file into NET/CALC. Once moved, the NET/CALC processing phase calculates the current payroll and updates the EMP based on client-defined payroll schedules. Payrolls requiring immediate processing are referred to as "Hot" payrolls and can be flagged by ADP's PTCS personnel to prioritize their processing.

The NET/CALC processing phase uses client options that reside in the CCI database to determine how variable routines such as calculating gross earnings, providing credit for vacation, holiday, and sick time, taking voluntary deductions and other such matters are to be handled. Clients are responsible for providing the data used to configure their options in CCI upon implementation and for communicating updates to those options to ADP in a timely manner.

If a client submits changes for company or EMP items, the changes replace the previous EMP entries. The NET/CALC process takes the input data for each employee, refers to the EMP record for items such as the employee's earnings rate, tax status, and authorized deductions, and calculates the gross earnings, voluntary deductions, and net pay. The STAT File houses tax rate and formula information. Using AutoPay's Statutory database (STAT File) NET/CALC calculates taxes and year-to-date balances for gross earnings, federal, state, and local income tax, social security deductions, and goal amounts. The NET/CALC process reformats the AutoPay Application data into a readable format that is ready for additional processing during the WRAP processing phase.

#### *Monitoring of Processing Activities*

The GETS Organization and the GETS Command Center staff use automated tools to continuously monitor the status of the scheduled jobs (e.g., transmissions, NET/CALC, and EDIT jobs) and to alert the staff about job failures. This process is covered as part of the ADP GET US Organization SOC 1 Report.

### **Output**

#### *WRAP Processing*

Upon completion of the NET/CALC process, the WRAP process is kicked off to produce multiple outputs. The primary AutoPay Application outputs are categorized into one of the following: Pay Statements, Reports (printed and electronic), and Data Files (e.g., files for other ADP systems, Money Movement/Direct Deposit Files).

#### *Turbo Output API*

Turbo API (Application Programming Interface) returns detailed results of the payroll to other ADP systems, like Enterprise, Next Gen HCM, Vantage, and Workforce Now. The data consists of payroll summary and employee pay details, including deductions, earnings, taxes as well as regular and year to date accumulators.

## *Pay Statements*

AutoPay Application outputs, categorized as pay statements, which are physically printed and distributed to clients are:

- *Checks (including ADPChecks)*: Printed with the net paid amount preceded with asterisks. The earnings statement provides a comprehensive record showing the elements of gross pay (e.g., hours and rate), payroll taxes and deductions, and year-to-date totals. Company check control totals are provided to verify the number of checks issued, the first and last check numbers used, and the total dollar amount of the checks printed.
- *Vouchers*: Similar to checks in both information content and control procedures. Vouchers are produced for employees who elect direct deposit. “Non-Negotiable” and “This Is Not A Check” are clearly indicated on the voucher.
- *Non-Negotiable Laser Check*: A voucher-like notification provided to employers who pay their employees in cash. The document provides the employees with a net-pay amount and a comprehensive earnings statement.

Design characteristics in ADP’s payroll checks and stubs provide security protection against color copy and scanner duplication systems. The checks include an intricate encoding pattern within high-resolution borders that become distorted when duplicated. Also, the background of the checks uses a multi-tone shade over a cascading building block design (prismatic printing) that is difficult to accurately reproduce, and the shading accentuates the word “VOID” when the check is copied. On the reverse side of the check, a unique printing pattern of multi-width lines embedded with encoding marks has been added to protect the document from scanner duplication. In addition, ADP’s check design uses several sophisticated features that include:

- Thermochromic ink that provides a heat-sensitive ADP logo and ADP watermark to verify the authenticity
- A unique control number on pre-numbered check stock that uses special ink to improve tracking

Checks are produced on laser printers with a Graphics Handling Option. If a paper jam occurs during check printing, most printers reject damaged checks and continue to print where the jam occurred, and the printer notes where the error occurred. Operators visually scan the jam point for proper sequencing, possible duplication, or additional damage. Rejected checks are subsequently moved to a holding area. The printer reprints the checks that the operator removed from the jam point. Other printers automatically insert a pink sheet of paper at the point where the paper jam occurred. The operator removes the damaged checks from the printer paper path and the printer automatically reprints the checks that the operator removed and marks the point of duplication with a pink sheet. Some Regions use Quality Assurance (QA) to inspect the laser-printed paper sheets both preceding and following the inserted pink sheet of paper to identify any duplicate checks.

For clients that have requested to have checks and vouchers stuffed in envelopes, the operators use envelope-stuffing machines. Checks that are not stuffed inside envelopes are wrapped in rubber bands and forwarded to the Processing Support Organization.

The envelope-stuffing machines provide a total count of the number of envelopes stuffed and detect checks that are duplicates or out-of-sequence. Each check and voucher page have an encoded page number. Some regions incorporate additional parity checks to verify odd and even sequences. Two sequential odd or even checks indicate a potential error. Operators review identified error messages and resolve identified issues promptly. If checks are damaged during the printing or stuffing process, the operators deface or destroy the checks in a controlled manner. Operators maintain a record of damaged checks that is forwarded to QA and/or banking personnel to alert them of potential duplicate or missing checks.

Quality Control personnel review payroll reports checks and vouchers for defects as they package them for delivery. Quality Control personnel are restricted from having access to modify the pay statements within the AutoPay Application and Operations Center System. If QA personnel discover a problem with a printed payroll (e.g., wrinkling, tears, or smudges), a rerun, or reprint, may be scheduled.

### *Reports*

Each region is responsible for setting up and maintaining clients' reporting requirements and schedules. Reports can be printed or made available electronically in PDF format, depending on client requirements. The following table presents a listing of the standard reports available to clients to support their financial reporting requirements:

Report/File Name(s)	Description	Source and Preparation
AutoPay Master Control (AMC)	Report of employee's master records consisting of employee personal data, scheduled deductions, Year-to-Date (YTD) accumulations, tax status data, and key data for current payroll.	Automated from the AutoPay Application through WRAP batch processing
Payroll Register	Reports current payroll-cycle data by employees including hours, earnings, statutory and voluntary deductions. Shows totals by department and company levels.	Automated from the AutoPay Application through WRAP batch processing
Unused Deduction Report	Reports employee-level deductions that were not applied to the payroll because of insufficient earnings.	Automated from the AutoPay Application through WRAP batch processing

Report/File Name(s)	Description	Source and Preparation
Payroll Audit Report	Reports key payroll statistics such as a list of employee changes processed by ADP, control totals, and unusual payment entries.	Automated from the AutoPay Application through WRAP batch processing
Payroll Summary	Reports hours and earnings by department or cost level, taxable wages by category, and deductions.	Automated from the AutoPay Application through WRAP batch processing
Labor Distribution Report	Provides the same data as the Payroll Register but is summarized at a sub-employee level (e.g., by job).	Automated from the AutoPay Application through WRAP batch processing
Statistical Summary Report	Reports summarized payments to taxing jurisdictions and money impounded from clients' bank accounts to fulfill tax and money movement obligations for the payroll being reported.	Automated from the AutoPay Application through WRAP batch processing

### Delivery of Printed Reports

Printed pay statements and reports are packaged in a sealed bag and delivered to clients by insured third-party couriers or by common mail/delivery carriers according to the clients' delivery requirements.

ADP regions use the Operations Center tracking tool for delivery tracking and validation purposes. The tracking tool provides printed output and media distribution process visibility using a web-based software package, as well as uses multi-vendor interfaces and delivery-management tools to support the service delivery environment. Clients are responsible for notifying ADP of any issues with the delivery of printed reports.

### *Data Files*

Upon successful completion of a payroll run, the AutoPay Application automatically produces a series of payroll data files that are either used by other ADP systems or transmitted back to the input systems for client access and viewing. The primary data files consist of:

- Other Payroll Related Files – These output files consist of electronic payroll registers, year-to-date, AMC, and any other custom client reports that are transmitted from AutoPay to the Input Systems for clients to view, download, and/or print.
- NAS ADP GL and MAS GLI Files – These output files contain payroll data in a pre-formatted general ledger file that is transmitted to ADP's NAS ADP GL or the MAS GLI products using MQSeries middleware.

### ADP Reporting

Clients have the option of electing ADP Reporting (ADPR) which is an integrated solution allowing clients to create custom, sample, standard, compare and data extract report types. ADPR can pull data into these reports from multiple products allowing clients to integrate reporting functionality. ADPR houses meta data that the client can select to design the reports and business rules for pulling data from products used by the client including payroll (AutoPay), Benefits (HWSE) or from HCM products such as Workforce Now or Vantage, amongst other options.

### Money Movement/Direct Deposit Files

The AutoPay Application produces money movement and direct deposit files and transmits them for clients that have elected FSDD, or a regular Direct Deposit option as follows:

- Traditional Banking: Offers transmission to financial institutions or bank service processors. Regular direct deposit information is transmitted directly to individual banks via an Automated Clearing House (ACH) transfer.
- Money Movement: Offers transmission to ADP's TotalPay service for FSDD and ADPCheck information is transmitted to partner banks. ADPChecks are printed in the regions.

### Transmission to Traditional Banking

Upon completion of payroll processing, the direct deposit payment information is written to a separate file and stored for transmission to the appropriate recipient for clients who use the regular direct deposit service. Regular direct deposit information is transmitted primarily to banks. For ADP clients that elect regular direct deposit, client management is responsible for completing their agreements and authorizations with their individual banks and providing the required banking information to ADP.

- Setup – The Data Transmission team receives daily reports indicating which payrolls have run and which are awaiting transmission to a specific bank. Banks can receive or retrieve direct deposit files from ADP. The status of bank transmissions is reviewed daily. The review is done via phone or Voice Response Unit (VRU) for each bank, as required, to support direct deposit transmissions.
- Security – Files can be transmitted via MFT (Managed File Transfer) with the options including FTP with file encryption or via SFTP depending on the particular bank's requirements. Many banks log into ADP's system for authentication purposes before establishing a session. After the transmission, ADP systematically indicates that a file transmission was completed successfully.
- Confirmation – The Data Transmission team confirms by telephone, VRU, email or fax, (depending on arrangements made with the bank) whether the bank's total number of payments and the total monetary amount of the debits and credits received agree with ADP's totals, and records that the transmission was confirmed. Unsuccessful transmissions are re-transmitted until correct before being processed by the bank.

### Transmission to Money Movement

Clients electing FSDD services must complete an authorization form (e.g., the “Client Account Agreement”) that is reviewed and approved by ADP and authorizes the payroll data files to be transmitted.

ADP reviews and approves these forms. ADP creates the National Automated Clearing House Association (NACHA) master file information and upon bank approval of the NACHA transmissions, clients and their employees may wait for a specified period of time known as a pre-notification (pre-note) period before the direct deposit process is activated.

For clients electing FSDD, the AutoPay Application automatically generates money movement files and transmits them to ADP’s TotalPay service. The Data Transmission team will review the transmission status several times throughout the day and compare the information available to confirm transmissions were processed successfully and to identify any exceptions. Identified discrepancies are followed to resolution.

The TotalPay process and controls are not in the scope of this report and are covered in ADP’s TotalPay Services System and TotalPay and Wisely Services System SOC 1 reports.

### *Data Transmission Monitoring*

The following groups monitor the status of data transmissions to check for the completion of the transmission and distribution of the output:

- GETS – Various support teams within ADP’s GETS organization support the monitoring of data transmissions between ADP systems and entities.
- ADP payroll Regions – Business support teams monitor transmission to AutoPay from production applications. ADP will work with the client if necessary to resolve any issues related to the file transmission.
- Data Transmissions – the Data Transmissions team monitors the status of money movement transmissions and direct deposit files from the AutoPay Application to ADP’s TotalPay system.

These groups document identified issues in problem management systems, documenting issues as needed and take action to resolve identified issues promptly.



## GENERAL COMPUTER CONTROLS

General computer controls establish the control environment in which computer application systems are developed and operated. Therefore, the general computer control environment has an impact on the effectiveness of controls in application systems. The following describes the general computer controls related to the System:

- Information Security
- Logical Security
- Application Development and Change Management
- System Backups

### Information Security

Information security encompasses the controls that prevent and detect unauthorized access to information resources including physical access to facilities and logical access to information systems. The primary goal of information security is to restrict access to application programs, online transactions, and other computing resources to only authorized users.

Information Security policies are on ADP's Intranet, and they provide overall guidance for data security administration, the use of third-party software, virus protection, and internal/external user security. These guidelines provide a minimum-security baseline and apply to all ADP business units.

### Logical Security

ADP's GSO is responsible for developing corporate-wide security standards. The individual business unit's IT departments or security groups are responsible for complying with corporate standards and administering logical security for internal ADP personnel on selected systems and applications. Formal policies and procedures are followed to establish appropriate access to information assets.

#### *Mainframe*

ADP associates accessing the AutoPay Application are required to authenticate using a valid user ID and password compliant with ADP's security policies and standards. Other Mainframe logical security controls supporting the AutoPay Application are covered in the ADP GETS North America SOC 1 Report.

#### *Network Access*

To access the AutoPay Application, ADP users must first authenticate to ADP's ESNet network. The GETS North America Organization is responsible for the overall security and architecture of ADP's trusted network



infrastructure (ESNet and LANs) as well as user administration. These controls are covered in ADP's GETS North America Organization SOC 1 Report.

#### *Input/Output Systems Database Layer – Security Administration*

Direct access to the production databases is restricted to authorized users and system accounts. Administrative access for end-users is restricted to the DBAs as part of the Distributed Database Services (DDS) group (as part of the GETS North America organization) or part of the business units or in certain cases business users who have been granted access for a valid business need.

Password restrictions are enforced at the OS level through local server settings, LDAP, or through Windows AD policies. Password restrictions are configured in compliance with corporate standards that include periodic forced password changes, password complexity, and password history.

#### *Input/Output Systems Application Layer – Security Administration*

ADP associates are granted update access to the Input/Output Systems for troubleshooting purposes through SMS which permits ADP support personnel to log into a client environment using a valid username and password. The client is responsible for administering access to Input/Output Systems for its employees.

A valid user ID and password are required to authenticate to the Input/Output System. Password controls include expiration after a specific number of days, required minimum length, and password history tracking.

#### *Input/Output Systems Application Layer – User Access Review (Administrator)*

User access reviews to the production environment are conducted semi-annually for the input systems. The review focuses on users with elevated access to the Input/output Systems. Any changes identified as part of the review are updated in production at the end of the review.

## **Application Development and Change Management**

### AutoPay Application Development and Change Management

The AutoPay development team uses the Agile methodology to develop and complete AutoPay Application changes. The specifics of this method are in the following sections below related to Application Development and Change Management.

The AutoPay Development Group is responsible for maintaining and developing changes supporting the AutoPay Application. The changes (i.e., major releases and minor changes, which include patches, break fixes, emergency changes, standard report changes, and minor configuration changes) follow a formal systems development and maintenance process and supporting control activities. ‘Projects’ are application changes that are packaged in releases. There are formal procedures established to request, develop, and test changes in the test environment. Changes are certified, then deployed, and implemented in the production environment.

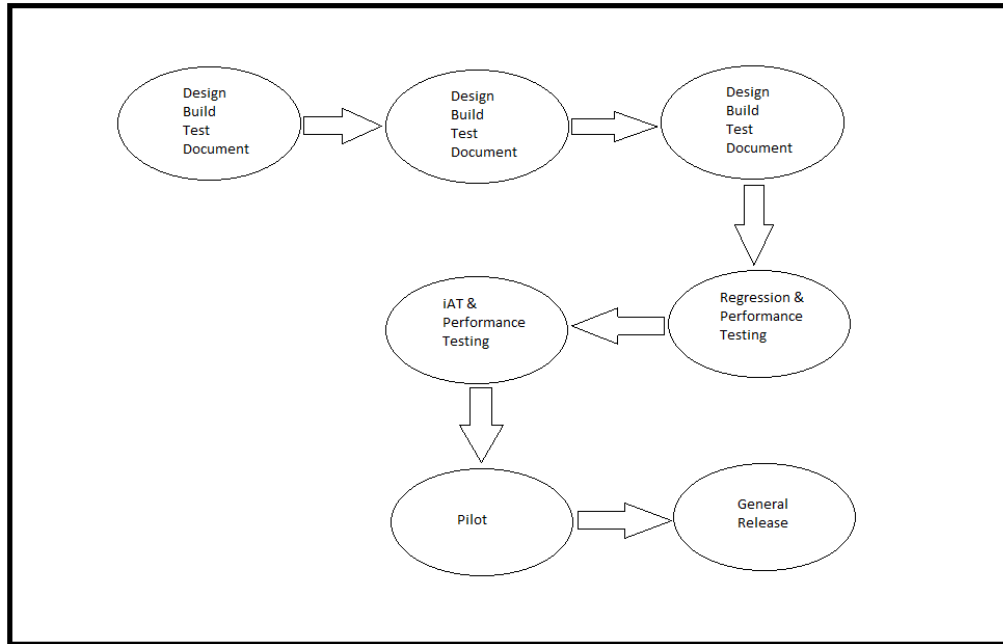
### Change Request Management

Requests for program changes go through formalized reviews and approvals which are documented in tickets. Management of Release Management and AutoPay Development collaborate to review and authorize program change requests.

### Software Development, Testing, and Implementation Procedures

AutoPay Development, Testing, and Implementation processes follow an Agile (value-driven) methodology.

AutoPay application development uses Agile Scrum and Kanban frameworks as shown in the following diagram:



Changes are developed, modified, and tested in a test environment that is separate from the production environment. The test environments reside on separate Mainframe logical partitions (LPAR) that have been configured to support the AutoPay Application change management process including development, testing, and baseline (i.e., approved code master repository).

A Product Owner, Scrum Master, and Scrum Development Team are assigned to each major project and are responsible for planning, developing, and maintaining project tasks. Each Scrum Development Team uses tracking software to document tasks associated with the project, due dates for each task, and issues associated with the tasks and their status. The Product Owner and Scrum Master monitor the tasks and identify if tasks are completed on or before agreed-upon project milestones. Scrum Masters hold daily “standup meetings” to assess the project status, potential blockages, and deadlines.

AutoPay deploys major releases monthly and follows the Agile Scrum Process. Minor changes, such as patches and statutory changes, follow the Agile Kanban Process (e.g., testing in the iAT is not required). There is a decrease in the number and extent of releases during the year-end freeze period, when AutoPay Application operations process a higher number of client transactions and statutory changes, thus minimizing the implementation of non-critical systems modifications during these busy periods. Calculation accuracy and completeness changes occur during the year-end freeze period, but system releases are delayed until the end of the freeze period.

AutoPay Development implements Agile Scrum and/or Kanban as a management framework for incremental product development using one or more cross-functional, self-organizing teams of about seven people each. It provides a structure of roles, meetings, rules, and artifacts. Teams follow best practices defined by ADP management and are responsible for creating and adapting processes within this framework. Scrum uses fixed-length iterations, called Sprints, which are typically three weeks long. Scrum teams attempt to build a potentially shippable (properly tested) product increment in each sprint.

### Agile Roles

#### *Product Owner*

- The single person responsible for maximizing the return on investment (ROI) of the development effort
- Responsible for product vision
- Constantly re-prioritizes the Product Backlog, adjusting any long-term expectations such as release plans
- The final arbiter of requirements questions
- Accepts or rejects each product increment
- Approves the product and determines whether to ship
- Decides whether to continue development
- Considers stakeholder interests

#### *Scrum Master*

- Facilitates the Scrum process
- Helps resolve impediments
- Creates an environment conducive to team self-organization
- Captures empirical data to adjust forecasts
- Shields the team from external interference and distractions
- Enforces timeboxes
- Keeps Scrum artifacts visible
- Promotes improved engineering practices

#### *Scrum Development Team*

- Cross-functional (e.g., business analysts, architects, developers, testers, domain experts, documentation specialists)
- Negotiates commitments with the Product Owner, one Sprint at a time
- Has autonomy regarding how to reach commitments
- Intensely collaborative
- Contains  $7 \pm 2$  members

## Agile Ceremonies

### *Sprint Planning Meeting*

At the beginning of each Sprint, the Product Owner and Scrum Development Team hold a Sprint Planning Meeting to negotiate which Product Backlog items they will attempt to convert to the working product during the Sprint. The Product Owner is responsible for declaring which items are the most important to the business (Minimum Viable Product – MVP). The Scrum Development Team is responsible for selecting the amount of work to implement without accruing technical debt.

### *Daily Scrum and Sprint Execution*

Every day, the Product Owner, Scrum Master, and Scrum Development Team members spend a total of 15 to 30 minutes reporting to each other. During each meeting, Scrum Development Team members summarize the previous days' work and the current days' work, as well as what impediments exist. During Sprint execution, the Scrum Development Team defines, develops, and reviews system requirements to produce an MVP. Business User Stories, written by the Product Owner, contain requirements. Scrum Development Team members write technical User Stories, which also support the MVP. The structure for the hardware, software, and data supporting the requirements is determined and developed. The Scrum Development Team plans for system implementation, testing, documentation, and training. The Scrum Development Team designs, codes, tests, and documents programs and conversion programs. The team uses automated, repeatable tests to help ensure code integrity throughout the sprint iterations. The ChangeMan Version Control System is used to control and monitor source code. The Scrum Development Team maintains current Sprint metrics. Organizational impediments are impediments that are issues beyond the Scrum Development Team's control. ADP Management resolves organizational impediments at the appropriate management level.

### *Sprint Review Meeting*

At the end of the sprint, the Scrum Development Team holds a review meeting to demonstrate a working product increment to the product owner and stakeholders. The meeting features a live demonstration. It is the opportunity to inspect and adapt the product as it emerges, and iteratively refine the understanding of the requirements.

### *Sprint Retrospective Meeting*

After a Sprint ends, the Scrum Development Team attends a retrospective meeting to reflect on its own process. They inspect their behavior and take action to adapt it for future Sprints. The goal is to gain a common understanding of multiple perspectives and to develop actions that will take the team and the organization to maturity.

### *Backlog Refinement Meeting*

Most Product Backlog Items (PBI's) initially need refinement because they are too large. During this meeting, the team estimates the amount of effort they would expend to complete items in the Product Backlog and provide other technical information to help the Product Owner prioritize them.

### Documentation (performed in parallel with Scrum and Kanban)

While the Scrum Development Team is completing tasks, a UX (User Experience) Content team member develops documentation to accompany the release. The documentation includes highlights of the release, new feature information, descriptions of product changes, new or revised procedures or processes, help updates, and installation instructions.

Documentation developed by the UX Content team is available to the regions via an internal documentation website. Documentation updates are posted to the website for Pilot and General Release phases when code is released.

The Payroll Support Group Issues Information Board bulletins that provide additional information about updates or changes released previously and Program Problem Notifications that alert the regions and GETS North America Organization of problems they may encounter and temporary solutions for these problems.

### Release Hardening, iAT, Pilot, General Release:

#### *Release Hardening Phase*

After the Product Owner has accepted the user stories as meeting acceptance criteria for the Minimum Viable Product, the Release is ready and approved for hardening. During hardening, the release code is frozen, and no new functionality is developed. A customized System Test Plan is created, and documentation is reviewed and finalized. Minimum Viable Product testing verifies that the change accurately produces the desired results. Continuous Integration Testing verifies full system, end-to-end, and input-to-output functionality. Regression testing captures information about a test payroll-processing environment before and after installing the release to ensure existing functionality is uncompromised. Performance testing occurs in an environment that mirrors a region's production environment. This is to record the installation time and to benchmark system performance before and after the release installation, and activation of new features. AutoPay development uses benchmarking information for capacity planning purposes.

### *iAT Phase*

iAT testing replicates the testing that was originally performed by AutoPay development testers but uses a more robust regional-level test base. Performance testing is performed again at this phase. Tasks include installing the entire release for the first time, complete end-to-end testing including input-to-output functionality, and standard payroll certification for both the U.S. and Canada.

The iAT Group performs a final review of the installation procedures and release documents and conducts a turnover meeting with the GETS North America Organization handling the release.

### *Pilot Phase*

As part of the Pilot Phase, the AutoPay Application releases/changes are installed and run on one or more Region LPARs to monitor performance. The GETS North America Organization has an Implementation Guide documenting the installation process and along with AutoPay development groups provide technical support to the pilot region. Feedback from the pilot region LPARs drives modifications to programs, documentation, or training procedures.

### *General Release Phase*

Upon successful completion of the iAT and/or Pilot phases, the GETS North America Organization sends an announcement authorizing deployment to ADP's production environment. Upon receipt of the deployment authorization, the AutoPay development testers and Payroll Support group make the program changes available to the production environment. Once the release code has been made available to the production environment, the AutoPay Delivery, Service, and Support group announces that the release is available for deployment to the production environment. Upon receipt of this communication, authorized members of the GETS North America Organization move certified code to the baseline environment, the approved code master repository.

The GETS North America Organization uses the Control M Scheduling System to schedule the migration of the application code into the production environment. The GETS Command Center will perform backups before installation. The final step of each application release is to send out an information message confirming a successful installation. The message is sent to the applicable Corporate, GETS North America Organization including the GETS Command Center personnel. The Release Management Group monitors the installation process on AutoPay Application LPARs to support the timely and complete installation of releases or changes. This process helps ensure that responsibilities are segregated between the development group and the GETS North America Organization, who are responsible for migrating changes into the production environment.

Authorized UX Content personnel post the release documentation developed by the UX Content team to the internal documentation website. The Corporate Field Support Group provides technical support during complex product/system enhancements and rollouts.

Minor AutoPay Application changes, such as patches, emergency changes, break fixes, standard report changes, and statutory (STAT File) releases, are packaged into smaller releases that must also go through a pilot phase. The AutoPay development tester moves Patch and STAT File Release updates to the baseline environment indicating that testing is complete. Only a limited number of authorized personnel, primarily members of the AutoPay Delivery, Service and Support, or the Payroll Support group, can make Patch and STAT File releases available to the AutoPay Application production environment. Similar to the process for major changes, ADP staff use the Control M Scheduling System to schedule the application code for installation to the production environment.

#### *Mainframe – Access to Source Code*

Source code is controlled using the ChangeMan version control system and the ability to migrate code to the AutoPay Application production environment is restricted to authorized personnel and excludes those responsible for development functions. This control is covered in the ADP GETS North America SOC 1 Report.

#### *Input/Output Systems Development and Change Management*

Changes to the Input/Output Systems consist of major releases, break fixes, minor enhancements, configuration changes, report changes, or emergency changes. Changes are governed by the respective product owner and/or business unit management responsible for the Input/Output Systems. Authorized developers use a source code repository to commit and track code over the development lifecycle.

Requests for changes occur from internal sources or from external clients and are reviewed by each product owner and business unit management and prioritized according to client demand and internal objectives. Once reviewed, change authorizations are provided by the product owner and/or business unit management through email or during change review meetings and documented through meeting minutes. Authorized changes are then assigned to a project manager and a development team to make any required coding changes.

Segregated development and test environments from the production environment exist for each of the Input/Output Systems. Upon completion of development, testing of changes commences and is performed by the AutoPay development testers and iAT group. These groups are responsible for creating test plans, executing the testing, and reviewing the test results following a similar process as described above. If the results are satisfactory, testers and iAT members will email the respective project manager, product owner, and/or business unit management for the Input/Output System certifying that the change is ready for production. The project manager then reviews and approves the changes for release to production by submitting a change order.



Authorized members of the deployment team use a release management application to deploy packages to the production environment during predefined maintenance windows. Patches and hotfixes are packaged together and released as needed.

## **System Backups**

The GETS North America Organization is responsible for the computer operations and backup and recovery controls for the AutoPay Payroll System except for data mirroring which is covered in this report. The controls covered by the GETS North America Organization are included in ADP's GETS North America SOC 1 Report. ADP uses peer-to-peer technology to automatically copy and create a mirror data image of required data sets from the production application to a backup environment at a geographically distant data center facility. The mirrored data sets are created to bring the application online at the backup hosting and data center facility if needed. Thus, in the event of a disaster, the application will continue processing from the last valid system state.

## SUBSERVICE ORGANIZATIONS

### ADP GETS North America Organization

#### *Overview of Subservice Provider Relationship*

The AutoPay Payroll application and supporting technology infrastructure are hosted and managed by ADP's GETS North America organization. The GETS North America organization is responsible for various support functions, including operating system change management, network problem, and incident management, network administration, operating system and database administration, data transmission support and system monitoring, physical security, environmental safeguards, and data backups. The processes and controls within these functions are delivered as a common set of services to all ADP business units and are not included in the scope of this report. These common services are covered in ADP's GETS North America Organization SOC 1 Report.

The table below outlines the control process areas applicable to the AutoPay Payroll application that are covered in the scope of this report (AutoPay Payroll SOC 1 Report) and those that are covered in the scope of ADP's GETS North America Organization SOC 1 Report:

Control Process Name	ADP's GETS North America Organization SOC 1 Report	AutoPay Payroll Services System SOC 1 Report
Application Development and Change Management*	✓	✓
Operating System (OS) Software, Hardware, and Infrastructure Change Management		
a. Mainframe OS	✓	
b. Other OS – Input/Output Systems	✓	
c. Hardware and Infrastructure Change Management	✓	
Network Monitoring and Incident Management	✓	
Logical Security		
a. Input/Output Systems		✓
b. AutoPay Application		✓
c. Network Administration	✓	
d. OS, Database, and Mainframe Administration**	✓	✓
Physical Security	✓	

Control Process Name	ADP's GETS North America Organization SOC 1 Report	AutoPay Payroll Services System SOC 1 Report
Environmental Safeguards	✓	
System Backups		
a. Data Backups	✓	
b. Data Mirroring		✓
Payroll Input		✓
Payroll Processing		✓
Payroll Output		✓

\* ADP's GETS North America organization is responsible for provisioning access to the source code to the AutoPay Application. All other change management controls for the AutoPay Application are covered in this report.

\*\* ADP's GETS North America organization is responsible for supporting the OS, Database, and Mainframe Administration at the infrastructure level and for supporting the audit log functionality, automated termination review control, Mainframe user provisioning and deprovisioning, user access reviews (for both IT users and business users), administrative user appropriateness. Database access support for the AutoPay Payroll application is managed by application side personnel.

#### *Complementary Subservice Organization Controls*

ADP's GETS North America organization is subject to the same oversight and governance as outlined in the "Relevant Aspects of the Control Environment, Risk Assessment, Monitoring, Control Activities, and Information and Communication" section previously described. Additionally, various business unit personnel supporting the services within this Description interact with GETS North America organization personnel regularly. The GETS North America organization has implemented the following key control activities to support the associated control objectives as they related to the scope of this Description:

Control Process Area	Subservice Organization Controls
Operating System Software, Hardware, and Infrastructure Change Management	Controls to address the implementation of and changes to operating system software, hardware, and infrastructure to confirm changes are authorized, tested, documented, approved, and implemented to result in the complete, accurate, and timely processing and reporting of transactions and balances.
Network Monitoring	Controls to address ADP's network monitoring and security mechanisms for protection from external threats and interruptions.

Control Process Area	Subservice Organization Controls
Logical Security	Controls to address logical access to programs, data, and computer resources to confirm it is restricted to authorized and appropriate users and such users are restricted to performing authorized and appropriate actions.
Physical Security	Controls to address physical access to computer and other resources to confirm it is restricted to authorized and appropriate personnel.
Environmental Safeguards	Controls to confirm operational procedures are in place within the hosting and data center facilities over physical assets to prevent processing errors and/or unexpected interruptions and support the complete, accurate, and timely processing and reporting of transactions and balances.
System Backups	Controls to address regular data and applications backups and availability for restoration in the event of processing errors or unexpected processing interruptions.
Operational Monitoring and Incident Management	Controls to address operational problems identification and resolution in a timely manner.

These controls are covered in ADP's GETS North America Organization SOC 1 Report.

## COMPLEMENTARY USER ENTITY CONTROLS

ADP controls were designed with the assumption that certain controls would be implemented by user entities (clients). It is not feasible for control objectives relating to transaction processing to be achieved completely by ADP's management or the user entities acting alone. It is necessary for user entities to implement controls to achieve some of the control objectives identified in this report (as applicable).

The User Entity Control Considerations presented below are controls that user entities should have placed in operation to achieve the control objectives in this report and should not be regarded as a comprehensive list of controls that should be used by user entities. The applicability and implementation of these controls may vary by user entity based on the nature of the services and applications being used by ADP's user entities. Other controls may be required by user entities and should therefore be evaluated by the user entity. User entity auditors should consider whether user entities have implemented these controls (as applicable) when understanding and evaluating the internal controls at the respective user entity.

### *Control Objective #1: Payroll Data Input*

Client management is responsible for:

- Notifying ADP of changes in the authorized contacts list
- Validating the accuracy of data entry when using the Input Systems
- Reviewing error messages that result from transmitting data, addressing errors, and if necessary, resending data in a timely manner
- The accuracy/completeness and authorization of worksheets and faxes that are sent to ADP
- Setting up a second authentication method (such as the use of a passphrase) for phone or fax payrolls
- Setting up a receipt confirmation method (such as callback or fax) for phone or fax payrolls
- Reviewing correction notices received from ADP
- Reviewing the Master Control report, containing the listing of each employee's master record, produced by the AutoPay Application after initial account set-up, to confirm that employee-level and company-level information was initially recorded completely and accurately

### *Control Objective #2: Deductions and Tax Withholding Specifications*

Client management is responsible for:

- The completeness and accuracy of client-specified deductions
- Submitting client-specified deduction changes to ADP in a timely manner
- Verifying the intended payroll transactions were accurately reflected before providing payroll processing approval
- Reviewing the employee changes and any errors presented during payroll preview to determine if any corrections are needed

- Reviewing the Master Control report distributed after payroll processing to determine if any corrections are needed

#### *Control Objective #3: Payroll Processing*

Client management is responsible for:

- Validating the payroll processing submission schedule each year
- Verifying receipt of submission confirmation
- Reviewing system reports when known client-specific situations exist, verifying that the issue was resolved, and any changes to data were appropriate

#### *Control Objective #4: Payroll Output*

Client management is responsible for:

- Notifying ADP of changes required to their payroll output
- Printing and secure check distribution, if done in-house by the client
- Defining the processing schedule and communicating required changes to ADP in a timely manner
- Acknowledging the receipt of payroll output
- Reviewing the payroll output reports and notifying ADP of any discrepancies
- Notifying ADP of any issues with the delivery of printed reports

#### *Control Objective #5: Payroll Output – Money Movement/Direct Deposit Files*

Client management is responsible for:

- Banking service, to ADP (completing their agreement and authorization with the individual banks and providing the necessary banking information to ADP if client elects Regular Direct Deposit)
- Confirming accuracy and completeness of direct deposit funds disbursement information provided to ADP

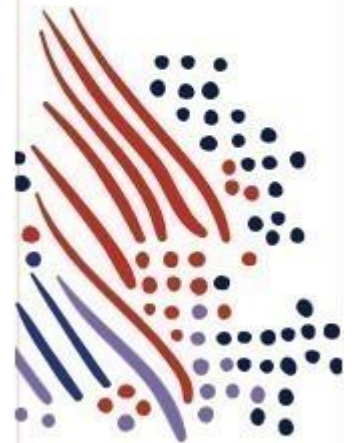
#### *Control Objective #7: Logical Security*

Client management is responsible for:

- Determining that only authorized client personnel are granted logical access to ADP Input/Output Systems
- Granting and revoking access to the Input/Output Systems
- Periodically reviewing assigned employee access to the Input/Output Systems for appropriateness
- Reviewing any log files, within the respective Input/Output System (highlighting any updates made to payroll data), to identify any suspicious activity and notifying ADP of any discrepancies

## **SECTION FOUR**

### **DESCRIPTION OF CONTROL OBJECTIVES, CONTROLS, TESTS AND RESULTS OF TESTS**



## **TESTING PERFORMED AND RESULTS OF TESTS OF ENTITY-LEVEL CONTROLS**

In planning the nature, timing, and extent of its tests of the controls specified by ADP in this Description, Ernst & Young considered the aspects of ADP's control environment, control activities, risk assessment, information, and communication and monitoring activities and performed such procedures over these components of internal control as it considered necessary in the circumstances.

## **PROCEDURES FOR ASSESSING COMPLETENESS AND ACCURACY OF INFORMATION PRODUCED BY THE ENTITY (IPE)**

For tests of controls requiring the use of Information Produced by the Entity (IPE), procedures were performed to assess the reliability of the information, including completeness and accuracy of the data or reports, to determine whether the information can be relied upon in the examination procedures. This includes IPE produced by ADP and provided to user entities (if relevant and defined as part of the output control objectives), IPE used by ADP management in the performance of controls (i.e., periodic review of user listings), and IPE used in the performance of our examination procedures.

Based on the nature of the IPE, a combination of the following procedures was performed to address the completeness and accuracy of the data or reports used: (1) inspect source documentation relating to the IPE, (2) inspect the query, script, or parameters used to generate the IPE, (3) agree data between the IPE and the source, and/or (4) inspect the IPE for anomalous gaps in sequence or timing.



## TRANSACTION PROCESSING CONTROL OBJECTIVES AND CONTROLS

### Payroll Data Input

**Control Objective 1: Controls provide reasonable assurance that payroll data is received from authorized sources and initially recorded completely and accurately.**

<i>Ref</i>	<i>Description of Control Activity</i>	<i>Test of Controls</i>	<i>Results</i>
1.01	Client users require a valid user ID and password for authentication to the ADP-supplied products that authenticate through SMS.	<p>Inspected the login screen for a sample product that authenticates through SMS to determine whether a valid user ID and password were required for authentication to the ADP-supplied products.</p> <p>Observed an ADP associate attempt to authenticate to a sample product that authenticates through SMS to determine whether a valid user ID and password were required to access the system.</p>	<p>No deviations noted</p> <p>No deviations noted</p>
1.02	The Enterprise and PayForce Input Systems restrict erroneous data input and incomplete data from being entered through pre-formatted data entry screens.	Observed an ADP associate attempt to submit incorrect/incomplete data (SSN, zip code, employee name, pay frequency) into the Enterprise and PayForce Input Systems and inspected the related error messages generated to determine whether pre-defined data validation rules were in place to detect and identify erroneous data input and incomplete data.	No deviations noted

**Control Objective 1: Controls provide reasonable assurance that payroll data is received from authorized sources and initially recorded completely and accurately.**

<i>Ref</i>	<i>Description of Control Activity</i>	<i>Test of Controls</i>	<i>Results</i>
1.03	Teledata operators require a valid user ID and password to access the Key-Fast Input System to enter client-provided data. Also, Teledata operators authenticate the client contacts before inputting the client-provided payroll information into Key-Fast.	For a sample of days and clients, observed Teledata operators enter client payroll data into Key-Fast to determine whether they: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Authenticated to the Key-Fast system using a valid user ID and password;</li> <li>Authenticated the client contact that provided the payroll data according to documented client specifications before input.</li> </ul>	No deviations noted
1.04	Key-Fast restricts erroneous and incomplete data from being entered through pre-formatted data entry screens.	Observed a Teledata operator enter erroneous and incomplete data (invalid modifier, missing state tax code, invalid SSN, invalid file number) into the Key-Fast data entry screens to determine whether the data was rejected and an error message was presented, and only valid and complete data was accepted.	No deviations noted
1.05	Before submitting the phone or fax payroll data entered for processing by the AutoPay Application, Teledata operators compare control totals provided to data entered into the Key-Fast system. Out-of-balance conditions are corrected with the client.	For a sample of days and clients, inspected system records and payroll information (pay frequency, hours worked) provided by the client to determine whether the Teledata operator compared the control totals provided by the client to the control totals entered into the Key-Fast system and out-of-balance conditions were corrected with the client.	No deviations noted

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<i>Ref</i>	<i>Description of Control Activity</i>	<i>Test of Controls</i>	<i>Results</i>
1.06	Secure Socket Layer (SSL) technology with encryption is used to securely transmit payroll data entered from the Input Systems into the AutoPay Application.	<p>Observed an ADP associate log into the application for each Input System to determine whether the applications use SSL technology with encryption.</p> <p>For a sample file from the PayForce and Enterprise Input Systems:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inquired of a Principal Quality Assurance Engineer to determine whether SSL technology with encryption was used to securely transmit payroll data entered from the Input Systems into the AutoPay Application.</li> <li>Inspected a data string within the file to determine whether data was not presented in clear text.</li> </ul>	<p>No deviations noted</p> <p>No deviations noted</p>
1.07	ADP monitors and responds to issues which impact transmission and processing of client data. Issues are communicated and tracked to resolution.	For a sample of issues raised to the Critical Incident Response Team (CIRT) relevant to transmission issues between the Input Systems and the AutoPay Application, inspected the Incident Tracker to determine whether incidents were documented and investigated through resolution.	No deviations noted

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<i>Ref</i>	<i>Description of Control Activity</i>	<i>Test of Controls</i>	<i>Results</i>
1.08	Payroll data (e.g., employee records, salary, deductions, marital status, tax jurisdiction) entered into the Enterprise and PayForce Input Systems is transmitted to the AutoPay Application successfully (or entered successfully into Key-Fast) and automatically updates the Employee Master Database (EMP) within the AutoPay Application.	<p>Observed a production support associate enter payroll master data (employee records, salary, deductions, marital status, tax jurisdiction) into the Key-Fast system and inspected the AutoPay Application to determine whether the data was successfully transmitted and automatically updated in the Employee Master Database.</p> <p>Inspected relevant documentation from the Enterprise and PayForce Input Systems and the AutoPay Application to determine whether master data (employee records, salary, deductions, marital status, tax jurisdiction) entered by a production support associate was successfully transmitted and automatically updated in the Employee Master Database.</p>	<p>No deviations noted</p> <p>No deviations noted</p>
1.09	The AutoPay Application EDIT processing performs a series of edit checks on payroll data files received from the Input Systems by comparing the data files within the Employee Master Database (EMP) to verify that the information is accurate. Errors that appear on EDIT screens are investigated and resolved by the Production Support (Editing) group before the payroll is released for further processing.	<p>Observed a member of the Production Support (Editing) group perform EDIT processing real-time in the AutoPay Application to determine whether errors identified appeared on EDIT screens.</p> <p>Observed a member of the Production Support (Editing) group reviewing and investigating the errors that appeared on Edit screens to determine whether the errors were resolved before the payrolls were released for further processing.</p>	<p>No deviations noted</p> <p>No deviations noted</p>

## Deductions and Tax Withholdings Specifications

**Control Objective 2: Controls provide reasonable assurance that payroll deductions and tax withholdings are maintained in the AutoPay Application in accordance with statutory and/or client specifications.**

<i>Ref</i>	<i>Description of Control Activity</i>	<i>Test of Controls</i>	<i>Results</i>
2.01	The Corporate Statutory Research Shared Services group monitors statutory changes impacting payroll-related taxes for both U.S. and Canadian taxing authorities.	For a sample of statutory changes, inspected the WIP item's history page to determine whether statutory changes impacting payroll-related taxes for both U.S. and Canadian taxing authorities were monitored, documented, and tracked through resolution by the Corporate Statutory Research Shared Services group.	No deviations noted
2.02	Upon identification of a statutory change impacting payroll-related taxes, the Statutory Research Shared Services group creates and distributes a StatFlash detailing the change. The Stat Project Manager activates a Statutory tracking item in the change management software where the Business Analysts on the Payroll Statutory Kanban team will review and analyze the impact (e.g., STAT file, quarter, client, and region) and approve.	For a sample of statutory changes, inspected the WIP item's history page and relevant design and analysis documentation (STAT change request form, analysis and design documents, peer-review meeting minutes) to determine whether the Statutory Research Shared Services group created and distributed StatFlash detailing the change and the impact of the statutory change was reviewed, analyzed, and approved by Business Analysts on the Payroll Statutory Kanban team.	No deviations noted

**Control Objective 2: Controls provide reasonable assurance that payroll deductions and tax withholdings are maintained in the AutoPay Application in accordance with statutory and/or client specifications.**

<i>Ref</i>	<i>Description of Control Activity</i>	<i>Test of Controls</i>	<i>Results</i>
2.03	<p>Statutory changes requiring coding modifications are coded by the appropriate development team and tested and certified for production release by the appropriate testing group.</p> <p><i>Upon completion of testing, changes are deployed to production following the change management process outlined in Control Objective 6.</i></p>	For a sample of statutory changes that required coding modifications, inspected the documented testing results to determine whether the change was tested and certified for production release by the appropriate testing group.	No deviations noted
2.04	Statutory changes that do not require coding modifications are applied to the STAT File database by appropriate STAT members.	<p>Inspected the system-generated listing of user IDs with update privileges in the STAT File database and inquired of the Director Applications Development regarding the job responsibilities of the identified users to determine whether accounts were assigned to appropriate STAT members.</p> <p>For a sample of statutory changes applied to the database where no coding was required, inspected the STAT File database records to determine whether an authorized user applied the change.</p>	<p>No deviations noted</p> <p>No deviations noted</p>

**Control Objective 2: Controls provide reasonable assurance that payroll deductions and tax withholdings are maintained in the AutoPay Application in accordance with statutory and/or client specifications.**

<i>Ref</i>	<i>Description of Control Activity</i>	<i>Test of Controls</i>	<i>Results</i>
2.05	Requests to add, modify, or delete deductions in the AutoPay Application are documented and require client approval (for client-initiated changes) or appropriate ADP personnel approval (for internally-initiated changes).	<p>For a sample of deduction changes made in the AutoPay Application, inspected the case management record or email correspondence and inquired with management to determine whether:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the change was requested by an authorized client contact (for client initiated changes) or appropriate ADP personnel (internal ADP initiated changes); and</li> <li>the change was correctly updated in the AutoPay Application based upon the original request.</li> </ul>	No deviations noted

## Payroll Processing

**Control Objective 3: Controls provide reasonable assurance that processing of payroll information is completed according to schedule, monitored, and deviations are resolved, and that payroll data is processed completely and accurately.**

<i>Ref</i>	<i>Description of Control Activity</i>	<i>Test of Controls</i>	<i>Results</i>
3.01	Payroll processing procedures for the ADP payroll Regions have been documented and provide overall guidance to ADP personnel and are available through the ADP Intranet.	Inspected the ADP intranet to determine whether payroll processing procedures were documented and provided overall guidance to ADP personnel.	No deviations noted
3.02	Automated payroll processing jobs are executed to process client payroll based on information entered, statutory regulations, and client-defined requirements.	<p>For a sample test company in the AutoPay Application production environment, executed a sample payroll run and performed the following to determine whether automated payroll processing jobs are executed to process client payroll-based on information entered, statutory regulations, and client-defined requirements:</p> <p><i>Salary Employee</i></p> <p>Inspected the pay rate from the employee profile maintained in a sample Input System for a sample of employees and inspected the agreed pay rate amount to the AutoPay payroll register generated upon completion of the selected payroll run.</p> <p>Inspected the relevant tax withholding settings and deduction screen maintained in a sample Input System for a sample of employees and:</p>	<p>No deviations noted</p> <p>No deviations noted</p> <p>No deviations noted</p>



**Control Objective 3: Controls provide reasonable assurance that processing of payroll information is completed according to schedule, monitored, and deviations are resolved, and that payroll data is processed completely and accurately.**

Ref	Description of Control Activity	Test of Controls	Results
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Agreed the amounts for any deductions to the AutoPay payroll register generated upon completion of the selected payroll run; and</li> <li>Recalculated the amounts for any tax withholdings and any 401k deductions and agreed those amounts to the AutoPay payroll register generated upon completion of the selected payroll run.</li> </ul> <p><i>Hourly Employee</i></p> <p>Inspected the pay rate from the employee profile maintained in a sample Input System for a sample employee and recalculated the gross payroll based on the regular hours and overtime hours and agreed the gross payroll amount to the AutoPay payroll register generated upon completion of the selected payroll run.</p> <p>Inspected the relevant tax withholding settings and deduction screen maintained in the sample Input System for the sample employee above and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Agreed the amounts for any deductions to the AutoPay payroll register generated upon completion of the selected payroll run; and</li> <li>Recalculated the amounts for any tax withholdings and any 401k deductions and agreed those amounts to the AutoPay payroll register generated</li> </ul>	<p>No deviations noted</p> <p>No deviations noted</p>

**Control Objective 3: Controls provide reasonable assurance that processing of payroll information is completed according to schedule, monitored, and deviations are resolved, and that payroll data is processed completely and accurately.**

<i>Ref</i>	<i>Description of Control Activity</i>	<i>Test of Controls</i>	<i>Results</i>
		upon completion of the selected payroll run.	
3.03	At the end of each production day, the Prelist/Editing group reviews the status of jobs processed and notifies Operations and/or Client Services to confirm job completion status and any identified issues requiring further investigation and resolution.	<p>Observed a member of the Prelist/Editing team confirm the status of jobs processed within AutoPay and clear “inventory” for a sample Regional LPAR to determine whether job completion status was reviewed and identified issues, if any, were investigated and resolved.</p> <p>For a sample of days and Region LPARs, inspected the End-of-Day Checklist to determine whether the Prelist/Editing personnel reviewed the status of jobs and identified issues, if any, were documented and followed up to resolution.</p>	<p>No deviations noted</p> <p>No deviations noted</p>

**Control Objective 3: Controls provide reasonable assurance that processing of payroll information is completed according to schedule, monitored, and deviations are resolved, and that payroll data is processed completely and accurately.**

Ref	Description of Control Activity	Test of Controls	Results
3.04	Automated reconciliations are performed daily and weekly to compare the Payroll Ledger to the EMP totals for each client. The Processing Support Organization reviews the reconciliation report and investigates any differences to resolution.	Inspected the out-of-balance report job schedule in the AutoPay Application to determine whether the reconciliation to compare the Payroll Ledger to the EMP totals for each client was scheduled to run automatically daily and weekly.	No deviations noted
		Observed a member of the Processing Support Organization performing a review for a sample daily and weekly reconciliation report to determine whether any differences identified between the Payroll Ledger and the EMP totals were investigated and resolved.	No deviations noted
		Observed a client reconciliation difference being generated and inspected the corresponding daily and weekly reconciliation reports to determine whether the difference was accurately presented on the reconciliation reports.	No deviations noted
<p>The achievement of this control objective is dependent on the system appropriately applying business rules (i.e., automated functionality and system calculations) described above. Other ADP controls described in the Application Change Management portion of the Description address the risks that the application controls and system calculations will not achieve the control objective. These other controls include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Change requests are documented, reviewed, and authorized by appropriate personnel.</li><li>• Changes are tested in a dedicated testing environment according to a defined testing strategy.</li><li>• Management approval is obtained before the deployment of changes to production. This approval confirms that change has been authorized, appropriate testing has been performed and suitable supporting documentation is available.</li></ul>			

## Payroll Output

**Control Objective 4: Controls provide reasonable assurance that AutoPay Payroll Services System outputs are produced completely, accurately, and distributed in accordance with client specifications.**

<i>Ref</i>	<i>Description of Control Activity</i>	<i>Test of Controls</i>	<i>Results</i>
4.01	Client output reports and data files (e.g., NAS ADP GL, MAS GLI, other payroll-related output, money movement, and direct deposit) are automatically generated from the AutoPay Application upon completion of each payroll run.	For a sample test client in the AutoPay Application production environment, executed a sample payroll run and inspected the following reports to determine whether the reports were automatically generated, transmitted to iReports and the payroll information (gross pay, net pay, taxes) was accurately and completely produced: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AutoPay Master Control (AMC)</li> <li>• Payroll Register</li> <li>• Unused Deduction Report</li> <li>• Payroll Audit Report</li> <li>• Payroll Summary</li> <li>• Labor Cost Report</li> <li>• Statistical Summary Report</li> </ul>	No deviations noted
		Observed the data files being automatically generated from the AutoPay Application for a sample of each of the following data files for a sample client and selected a transaction from each file and compared the payroll information (net pay amounts, control totals) from the file to amounts in the AutoPay Application to determine whether the amounts were completely and accurately produced: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NAS ADP GL data file</li> <li>• MAS GLI data file</li> <li>• Other payroll related files</li> <li>• Money movement file</li> <li>• Direct deposit file</li> </ul>	No deviations noted



**Control Objective 4: Controls provide reasonable assurance that AutoPay Payroll Services System outputs are produced completely, accurately, and distributed in accordance with client specifications.**

<i>Ref</i>	<i>Description of Control Activity</i>	<i>Test of Controls</i>	<i>Results</i>
4.02	Client output reports (e.g., payroll register) and other payroll-related data files are automatically transmitted and made available to AutoPay clients through iReports output reports and Input Systems (data files).	<p>For a sample test client in the AutoPay Application production environment, executed a sample payroll run and inspected the following output reports to determine whether the reports were automatically transmitted to iReports and made available to AutoPay clients:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Master Control (AMC)</li> <li>• Payroll Register</li> <li>• Unused Deduction Report</li> <li>• Payroll Audit Report</li> <li>• Payroll Summary</li> <li>• Labor Cost Report</li> <li>• Statistical Summary Report</li> </ul> <p>For a sample test client in the AutoPay Application production environment, executed a sample payroll run and inspected the payroll-related data files to determine whether the data files were automatically transmitted to the in-scope Input Systems.</p>	<p>No deviations noted</p> <p>No deviations noted</p>

**Control Objective 4: Controls provide reasonable assurance that AutoPay Payroll Services System outputs are produced completely, accurately, and distributed in accordance with client specifications.**

<i>Ref</i>	<i>Description of Control Activity</i>	<i>Test of Controls</i>	<i>Results</i>
4.03	Data files (e.g., NAS ADP GL, MAS GLI, other payroll-related output, money movement, direct deposit) and output report files are made available to clients and other ADP systems using Transport Layer Security (TLS) technology encryption to secure the transmission of payroll data.	<p>Inspected a sample data file and output report file made available to clients and other ADP systems to determine whether TLS technology encryption was used during transmission.</p> <p>Inspected the ADP Internet-based products to determine whether a valid password and ID were required for successful authentication and whether TLS technology encryption was in place to secure transmission of payroll data.</p>	<p>No deviations noted</p> <p>No deviations noted</p>
4.04	The results of data files (e.g., iReports, NAS ADP GL, and MAS GLI file) and output report file transmissions are monitored and alerts are triggered for any identified issues or exceptions. Issues are documented, reported, and followed to resolution.	<p>Observed a member of the Corporate Systems Engineering Group monitoring data file transmission alerts within the monitoring tools to determine whether the results of data file and output report files transmissions between the Input Systems and the AutoPay Application were monitored.</p> <p>For a sample of identified transmission issues, inspected the related problem resolution tickets to determine whether monitoring was performed and identified transmission problems were documented and followed to resolution.</p>	<p>No deviations noted</p> <p>No deviations noted</p>

**Control Objective 4: Controls provide reasonable assurance that AutoPay Payroll Services System outputs are produced completely, accurately, and distributed in accordance with client specifications.**

<i>Ref</i>	<i>Description of Control Activity</i>	<i>Test of Controls</i>	<i>Results</i>
4.05	For client output reports printed by ADP, ADP monitors the transmissions of the output files from the AutoPay Application to the ADP printers and is alerted of any identified issues or exceptions, which are followed up to resolution.	For a sample Region LPAR, utilized video conferencing technology assisted by ADP personnel to observe a member of the Regional Payroll Production Operations group monitoring the transmissions of output print files to determine whether issues, if any, were documented and followed up to resolution.	No deviations noted
4.06	ADP associates review printed client-output reports and electronic media for defects.	For a sample Region LPAR, utilized video conferencing technology assisted by ADP personnel to observe a Production Support and Quality Control associate review a sample client-output report and electronic media to determine whether printing defects were identified and resolved.	No deviations noted

**Control Objective 4: Controls provide reasonable assurance that AutoPay Payroll Services System outputs are produced completely, accurately, and distributed in accordance with client specifications.**

<i>Ref</i>	<i>Description of Control Activity</i>	<i>Test of Controls</i>	<i>Results</i>
4.07	Print Operations Quality Control personnel are restricted from having access to modify the output print files within the AutoPay Application.	<p>Inspected the access rights screen within the AutoPay Application for the Operations Quality Control personnel to determine whether the Quality Control personnel were restricted from having access within the AutoPay Application to modify the output print files.</p> <p>Inspected the system-generated user listing for the Print Operations RACF group and inquired of the Program Manager - Technical Services to determine whether access to client data in the AutoPay Mainframe was restricted to appropriate personnel based upon job responsibilities.</p>	<p>No deviations noted</p> <p>No deviations noted</p>
<p>The achievement of this control objective is dependent on the system appropriately applying business rules (i.e., automated functionality and system calculations) described above. Other ADP controls described in the Application Change Management portion of the Description address the risks that the application controls and system calculations will not achieve the control objective. These other controls include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Change requests are documented, reviewed, and authorized by appropriate personnel.</li> <li>• Changes are tested in a dedicated testing environment according to a defined testing strategy.</li> <li>• Management approval is obtained before the deployment of changes to production. This approval confirms that change has been authorized, appropriate testing has been performed and suitable supporting documentation is available.</li> </ul>			



## Payroll Output – Money Movement/Direct Deposit Files

**Control Objective 5: Controls provide reasonable assurance that transmissions of money movement files/direct deposit files from the AutoPay Application to ADP's TotalPay systems or the clients' banks are authorized, completed according to schedule and deviations are identified and resolved.**

<i>Ref</i>	<i>Description of Control Activity</i>	<i>Test of Controls</i>	<i>Results</i>
5.01	Direct deposit files are automatically generated from the AutoPay Application upon completion of each client payroll processing run.	<p>For a sample client and payroll run, inspected the money movement and direct deposit files to determine whether the files were automatically generated from the AutoPay Application upon completion of the payroll cycle.</p> <p>For a sample client and payroll run, inspected the money movement in the AutoPay Application and direct deposit file to determine whether the payroll information (net pay amounts) agreed to the corresponding records contained in the AutoPay Application.</p>	<p>No deviations noted</p> <p>No deviations noted</p>
5.02	Direct deposit files are automatically sent for retrieval or transmitted directly to the client bank in accordance with client specifications.	For a sample of days and Region LPARs, inspected the output file to determine whether the direct deposit file was transmitted to the ADP TotalPay system or client bank in accordance with client specifications.	No deviations noted

**Control Objective 5: Controls provide reasonable assurance that transmissions of money movement files/direct deposit files from the AutoPay Application to ADP's TotalPay systems or the clients' banks are authorized, completed according to schedule and deviations are identified and resolved.**

<i>Ref</i>	<i>Description of Control Activity</i>	<i>Test of Controls</i>	<i>Results</i>
5.03	The data transmission team confirms by telephone, VRU, email or fax, depending on arrangements made with the bank, that the bank's total number of payments and the total monetary amount received agree to totals within the AutoPay Application.	<p>For a sample client and payroll run, observed an ADP Banking associate confirm bank totals with the client via email to determine whether the bank's total number of payments and the total monetary amount received agreed to the totals within the AutoPay Application.</p> <p>For a sample of days and Region LPARs, inspected the ACH Load Control Recap screen to determine whether the Data Transmissions Team confirmed the bank's total number of payments and the total monetary amount received agreed with the total in the AutoPay Application.</p>	<p>No deviations noted</p> <p>No deviations noted</p>
5.04	Clients electing Full Service Direct Deposit (FSDD) of payrolls complete an authorization form (e.g., the "Client Account Agreement") that is signed by the client.	For a sample of clients that elected FSDD, inspected the "Client Account Agreement" form and the AutoPay Application to determine whether the form was completed and signed (authorized) by the client, and the FSDD was set up per the client request.	No deviations noted
5.05	Client money movement files (e.g., FSDD and ADPCheck) are automatically transmitted to ADP's TotalPay system upon completion of each payroll run.	For a sample payroll run and client, inspected the money movement file to determine whether the file was automatically transmitted to ADP's TotalPay system upon completion of the payroll run.	No deviations noted

**Control Objective 5: Controls provide reasonable assurance that transmissions of money movement files/direct deposit files from the AutoPay Application to ADP's TotalPay systems or the clients' banks are authorized, completed according to schedule and deviations are identified and resolved.**

<i>Ref</i>	<i>Description of Control Activity</i>	<i>Test of Controls</i>	<i>Results</i>
5.06	Banking personnel review the transmission status and compare the information available on the AutoPay Application to the information available on ADP's TotalPay system. Identified differences are followed up to resolve them promptly.	For a sample of days and LPARs, inspected reconciliation documentation prepared by ADP Banking personnel and re-performed a sample review between the AutoPay Application records and ADP's TotalPay system records to determine whether the review was performed accurately, and timely action was taken to resolve any out-of-balance conditions.	No deviations noted

## GENERAL COMPUTER CONTROL OBJECTIVES AND CONTROLS

### Application Development and Program Change Management

**Control Objective 6: Controls provide reasonable assurance that the implementation of and changes to application programs are authorized, tested, documented, approved, and implemented to result in the complete, accurate, and timely processing and reporting of transactions and balances.**

<i>Ref</i>	<i>Description of Control Activity</i>	<i>Test of Controls</i>	<i>Results</i>
6.01	A formal and documented application development and change management policy has been developed to guide the in-scope applications' development groups.	Inspected the application development and change management policy documentation to determine whether development requirements were documented for application development projects to guide the development group.	No deviations noted
6.02	Change requests to the in-scope applications (AutoPay and the Input/Output systems) are formally documented and authorized by appropriate ADP management.	<p>For a sample of months, inspected the Release Coordination Schedule for the major releases to the AutoPay Application to determine whether the change request was documented and authorized by appropriate ADP management.</p> <p>For a sample of minor changes made to the AutoPay Application, inspected the monitoring ticket to determine whether the change request was documented and authorized by appropriate ADP management.</p> <p>For a sample of changes made to the Input/Output Systems, inspected change documentation (emails, meeting minutes) to determine whether the change was authorized by appropriate ADP management personnel.</p>	<p>No deviations noted</p> <p>No deviations noted</p> <p>No deviations noted</p>

**Control Objective 6: Controls provide reasonable assurance that the implementation of and changes to application programs are authorized, tested, documented, approved, and implemented to result in the complete, accurate, and timely processing and reporting of transactions and balances.**

<i>Ref</i>	<i>Description of Control Activity</i>	<i>Test of Controls</i>	<i>Results</i>
6.03	Changes to in-scope applications (AutoPay and the Input/Output systems) are tested (unit, regression, functional testing and peer-reviewed) in a segregated test environment and the results are approved by ADP management prior to deployment.	For a sample of months, inspected test documentation for the monthly major releases to the AutoPay Application to determine whether testing was executed, and the test results were documented and approved by ADP management before deployment.	No deviations noted
		For a sample of minor changes made to the AutoPay Application, inspected test documentation to determine whether testing was executed, and test results were documented and approved by ADP management before deployment.	No deviations noted
		Inspected the relevant AutoPay application system configurations to determine whether separate development, test and production environments were established.	No deviations noted
		For a sample of changes made to the Input/Output Systems, inspected change documentation (emails) to determine whether testing was performed by the AutoPay development testers and iAT groups in a non-production environment and results were approved by ADP management before deployment to production.	No deviations noted

**Control Objective 6: Controls provide reasonable assurance that the implementation of and changes to application programs are authorized, tested, documented, approved, and implemented to result in the complete, accurate, and timely processing and reporting of transactions and balances.**

<i>Ref</i>	<i>Description of Control Activity</i>	<i>Test of Controls</i>	<i>Results</i>
6.04	Changes to the in-scope applications (AutoPay and the Input/Output systems) are approved for migration to the production environment by ADP Management prior to deployment.	<p>For a sample of changes made to the AutoPay Application, inspected the change order to determine whether the change was approved by management before deployment to production.</p> <p>For a sample of changes made to the Input/Output Systems, inspected the change order to determine whether the change was approved by the Project Manager before deployment to production.</p>	<p>No deviations noted</p> <p>No deviations noted</p>
6.05	Access to deploy changes to the production environment is restricted to properly authorized personnel based on job function.	Inspected the system-generated listing of users with the ability to migrate code to the Input/Output systems' production environments and inquired of the users' managers to determine whether access to migrate code to the production environment was appropriate based on the individual's job responsibility.	No deviations noted
6.06	Access to develop changes is restricted to properly authorized personnel based on job function.	Inspected the system-generated listing of users with the ability to develop code for the Input/Output systems and inquired of the users' managers to determine whether access was appropriate based on the individual's job responsibility.	No deviations noted

## Logical Security

**Control Objective 7: Controls provide reasonable assurance that logical access to programs, data, and computer resources is restricted to authorized and appropriate users and such users are restricted to performing authorized and appropriate actions.**

<i>Ref</i>	<i>Description of Control Activity</i>	<i>Test of Controls</i>	<i>Results</i>
<i>Input/Output Systems</i>			
7.01	ADP associates accessing SMS products are required to authenticate using a valid user ID and password compliant with ADP's security policies and standards.	Inspected the relevant password configuration settings governing access to SMS and the documented Information Security Standards to determine whether password settings (history, length, expiration, complexity) comply with ADP's security policies and standards.	No deviations noted
7.02	Only appropriate IT personnel have access to the administrative functions for Input/Output Systems.	For a sample of users with administrative level privileges to the Input/Output Systems, inspected job titles and inquired of ADP management regarding the job responsibilities to determine whether access was restricted to authorized personnel.	No deviations noted
7.03	User access additions and modifications to the Input/Output Systems require authorization from appropriate ADP management. Changes are documented and executed.	For a sample of user access additions and modifications to the Input/Output Systems: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inspected the ticket to determine whether the request to grant access to the Input/Output Systems was documented and authorized by appropriate ADP management.</li> <li>Inspected system-generated user access listings from the Input/Output Systems to determine whether access was granted as requested.</li> </ul>	No deviations noted

**Control Objective 7: Controls provide reasonable assurance that logical access to programs, data, and computer resources is restricted to authorized and appropriate users and such users are restricted to performing authorized and appropriate actions.**

<i>Ref</i>	<i>Description of Control Activity</i>	<i>Test of Controls</i>	<i>Results</i>
7.04	User access suspensions occur automatically upon termination.	Inspected a screenshot of the configured job schedule within the IDM tool, job script, and a sample termination email notification to determine whether a nightly job is scheduled to run automatically to remove terminated users from SMS.	<p>Deviation noted</p> <p>Management identified a gap in the design of the automated script that was not capturing all of the terminated user accounts.</p> <p><i>Refer to the end of this Control Objective section for additional procedures performed by Ernst &amp; Young and Management's Response.</i></p>



**Control Objective 7: Controls provide reasonable assurance that logical access to programs, data, and computer resources is restricted to authorized and appropriate users and such users are restricted to performing authorized and appropriate actions.**

<i>Ref</i>	<i>Description of Control Activity</i>	<i>Test of Controls</i>	<i>Results</i>
7.05	<p>Auditing has been enabled at the application level for the in-scope Input/Output Systems.</p> <p>Transactional data is logged with the user ID of the person who initiated the transaction and is available for review.</p>	<p>Inspected the relevant configuration settings within the in-scope Input/Output Systems to determine whether auditing was enabled, and transactional data was being logged and made available for review.</p> <p>Observed a Technical Services Manager log into a sample Input/Output System and make changes to a sample employee's compensation rate and effective date, and inspected the Employment Actions Audit Report and modification history screen within the Input/Output Systems to determine whether the employee compensation changes and the user ID of the operator who made the change were logged and available for review.</p>	<p>No deviations noted</p> <p>No deviations noted</p>
7.06	Input Systems provide the ability for clients to restrict user access based on roles and functions.	Inspected the relevant security screens for the in-scope Input Systems to determine whether the applications provided the ability for clients to manage user access based on roles and functions.	No deviations noted
7.07	Only authorized individuals have update access to the Input/Output Systems production databases.	For a sample production database supporting each of the in-scope Input/Output Systems, inspected the system-generated listing of users with update access and inquired of ADP Management to determine whether access was limited to authorized individuals based on job responsibilities.	No deviations noted

**Control Objective 7: Controls provide reasonable assurance that logical access to programs, data, and computer resources is restricted to authorized and appropriate users and such users are restricted to performing authorized and appropriate actions.**

<i>Ref</i>	<i>Description of Control Activity</i>	<i>Test of Controls</i>	<i>Results</i>
7.08	A valid database or AD user ID and password is required for DB authentication.	Inspected a sample Input/Output database to determine whether a valid database or AD user ID and password was required for authentication.	No deviations noted
7.09	On a semi-annual basis, ADP personnel validate that privileged users have the appropriate level of access within the Input/Output Systems.	For a sample semi-annual review, inspected the review documentation and user listings to determine whether the Senior Compliance Auditor completed the review of Input/Output Systems accounts belonging to privileged users.	No deviations noted
		For a sample of changes to the Input/Output Systems requested during the semi-annual review, inspected updated user listings to determine whether identified changes were completed as requested.	No deviations noted
		For a sample semi-annual review, inquired of the Senior Compliance Auditor and re-performed the review for a sample of users to determine whether the process to review access on the privileged users within the Input/Output Systems was complete and accurate.	No deviations noted

***Management Response to Testing Deviations:***

Control 7.04 – Management agrees that the automated script to remove terminated ADAPT users from SMS was not capturing all of the terminated user accounts. Upon identification, Management performed a root cause analysis and determined that for situations where a user account existed in SMS that did not exist in ADAPT, they would not be identified by the automated termination script. Management performed an analysis of 100% of the accounts with the profile allowing access to the Input Systems potentially impacted and identified one (1) terminated user account. Management obtained the activity log and determined that the account was not used after the termination date. Additionally, Management has identified a complementary user entity control where user entities can review the audit log report to identify any suspicious activity; control 7.05 tests the completeness of this report, without exception.

***Additional Procedures Performed by Ernst & Young:***

Control 7.04 – EY obtained and inspected Management’s analysis of 100% of the accounts potentially impacted by the gap in the design of the automated script. EY reperformed the analysis performed by Management which resulted in the same conclusion and confirmed the account was not utilized after termination date. EY also inspected the updated user listing to confirm the account was removed. Additionally, EY tested a compensating control (Control 7.05) identified by management and noted no deviations.

## System Backups

**Control Objective 8: Controls provide reasonable assurance that data and applications are backed up regularly and are available for restoration in the event of processing errors or unexpected processing interruptions.**

<i>Ref</i>	<i>Description of Control Activity</i>	<i>Test of Controls</i>	<i>Results</i>
8.01	Data in one primary database is mirrored to a secondary database in an alternate datacenter.	Inspected the configuration management for the production database to determine whether data in the production database was mirrored to a secondary database in an alternate data center.	No deviations noted

## **SECTION FIVE**

### **OTHER INFORMATION PROVIDED BY ADP**

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## ADP GLOBAL BUSINESS RESILIENCY PROGRAM

ADP is committed to keeping its services and operations running smoothly so that ADP can provide its clients with the best service possible. It's ADP's priority to identify technology, environmental, process and health risks, and to mitigate the impact of business interruption resulting from a variety of potential events, including the loss of key facilities and resources. A Global Business Resiliency Policy and Program has been developed, in compliance with applicable regulations and guidelines, to establish a single global framework for how ADP manages, and controls identified risks resulting from disasters and other significant business disruptive events. ADP has created an integrated framework that lays out mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery processes.

### Disaster Recovery Planning

Disaster Recovery plans are developed to recover and/or restore critical systems. Redundancies are built into the systems as deemed appropriate. Recovery times vary according to the criticality of the impacted system.

The Disaster Recovery plans are developed to:

- Provide an organized and consolidated approach to managing response and recovery activities following an unplanned incident or business interruption, to avoid confusion and to reduce exposure to error
- Provide prompt and appropriate response to any unplanned incident, thereby reducing the impacts resulting from service interruptions
- Recover essential Data Center operations in a timely manner, increasing ADP's ability to recover from a loss to a Data Center or Command Center

The Disaster Recovery plans are designed to create a state of readiness that will provide response to any of the following incident scenarios at ADP Data Centers:

- Incidents causing physical damage such as fire, smoke, or water
- Incidents that indirectly affect Data Center facility access such as closure due to a storm, an emergency building evacuation due to a threat, or an external threat such as a fire to a nearby facility
- Impending or unexpected regional disasters such as an earthquake, hurricane, typhoon, or flood
- External incidents, which potentially could cause a service interruption, such as loss of electrical or telecommunication services

The Disaster Recovery plans are reviewed, revised, and tested annually. Various components may be subject to semi-annual or quarterly reviews and revisions.

## Business Continuity Planning

Business Continuity plans are developed to maintain or restore business operations in certain time frames following interruption to, or failure of, critical business processes and systems.

The Business Continuity plans are:

- Documented for the critical components of the enterprise
- Based on the results of a thorough Business Impact Analysis and Risk Threat Analysis
- Developed in conjunction with internal process owners
- Subjected to formal change control procedures
- Distributed to all individuals who would need them in case of an emergency

The Business Continuity plans are intended to provide prompt response and subsequent recovery from an unplanned business interruption, such as a loss of critical service, loss of building access or physical facility catastrophe. ADP's Business Continuity plans are focused on restoring specific services to clients.

The Business Continuity plans are required to be reviewed and revised at least annually, and various components may be subject to off-cycle reviews and revisions. A pre-planned walkthrough must be conducted annually, and an exercise (i.e., tabletop, simulation, integrated) must be conducted every two years.