



EDI Implementation Introduction

Consolidated Metco would like to welcome you as a new EDI partner. This document will cover the implementation process, testing procedure, and business requirements.

Introduction

The proposed implementation will move the PDF release notification process to an EDI feed. All schedule releases placed after the implementation will be sent via EDI. The current PDF release process will remain intact during the implementation to ensure that all releases are processed correctly. The PDF release process will be discontinued at the end of the EDI implementation.

This implementation includes one transaction set, 830 (Planning Schedule with Release Capability Standard). The Consolidated Metco 830 document specification contains all of the details necessary to accept the transaction.

Testing Procedure

The Consolidated Metco testing procedure is broken into three separate phases: Protocol, Structure, and System. Please review the details for each phase:

1: Protocol

Communication Protocol Setup: The Protocol phase is used to establish all communication channels required by the implementation. This will include VAN interconnections and establishment of sender and receiver IDs.

Final Task: One 830 is received by new trading partner and corresponding 997 is received by Consolidated Metco.

2: Structure

File structure and data content verification: The Structure phase is essential to the implementation process. The 830 file from Consolidated Metco will be loaded into the new trading partners system. The data population in the partners system will be compared to the PDF release. Any discrepancies must be resolved before moving to the System Phase.

Final Task: Verification from trading partner's EDI and Operations contacts that the EDI populated information is correct.

3: System

Final processing verification and data loading: All weekly releases will be sent via EDI during this phase. The trading partner will receive both the EDI and PDF releases. The EDI release will be loaded in the trading partners system and reviewed as if production data. The data must be

compared to the PDF release and all discrepancies must be resolved. If the discrepancies can not be resolved in a timely manner, the original release process must be used.

Final Task: The setup will be marked as complete, or as 'In Production', after the trading partner has two successful file loads without discrepancy.

Business Requirement Updates

All 830 document releases will be sent weekly on Wednesday.

It is possible that other changes to the current business procedure will be discussed during the implementation process.

Conclusion

Consolidated Metco would like to thank you for the time that will be requested to establish this partnership. This partnership will allow for faster and more accurate processing; a great benefit for both parties.

Please do not hesitate to contact your assigned EDI Specialist or the EDI Administrator (ediadmin@conmet.com) with any questions during the implementation.

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