

PAYE Modernisation

PSDA Summary Findings

30 May 2018

Agenda

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- Compression
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PIT release schedule

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- Updated schedule provided
- Every release will include merited bug fixes
- The outbound file compression also includes SOAP

Issue: There is a delay in the documentation and an issue with the details when the bugs are fixed. Is it a bug or a fix that is in the description as it is not clear?

Answer: We will look into this but would need examples to ensure clarity.

Published documents

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- Additional detail has been provided in the Web Service
- Schema and validation rules have been updated

Issue: Is batching only provided for XML, and not JSON?

Answer: There is no batching for JSON

PIT support

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- Discussion around SLA (Service level agreements) to PIT queries
- Feedback requested in regard to time in dealing with responses

Issue: Can technical demo sessions be provided by Revenue?

Answer: Yes. Ruth and Conor will provide these demo sessions. However, it is advised that technical staff only should attend. No need to attend if you can send and receive responses

CAB Update

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- CR002 has been approved. This includes additional superannuation contribution data items. This is in respect of public service employments only
- A new conditional field is added to both JSON and XML
- CR003 has been approved but the implementation date is to be decided
- This relates to how REST messages are digitally signed
- The digital signature is to be brought in line with international standards
- All software testers must make necessary changes in line with this to continue using

CAB Update

- There were no objections to this being implemented on the June 19th release
- Providing PPSN for the first time

Action Point created: Revenue will document the options and forward to Sean for circulation and feedback

Issue: Error/warning does not define how many submissions have been made without PPSN

Answer: The submission can be made without a PPSN. A warning will issue each time. After 3 months, contact will be made with the employer. We will include additional/amended message with the warning

Definition of pay date

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- Cash – day on which the cash is given to the employee
- Cheque – date on the cheque
- Bank transfer – it is the date on which the funds are to be made available in the individual's bank account. If the pay date is not a banking working day, it will be regarded as the pay day if made available in the previous bank working day

e.g. Scheduled pay date is 1 February which is a Sunday. The payslips and payroll operation should be based on that date. However, if the funds are made available in the bank account on the previous Friday, i.e. 30th January, we would still regard the pay date as 1 February.

Compression

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- There will be batching options for SOAP
- Users must ensure to put digital signature on compressed message

Issue: When is this likely to be available?

Answer: It will be applied in the July 17th release. Documentation will be issued as soon as possible

Issue: What is the approximate size of the file or the number of employees on one message?

Answer: Approximately 60,000 employees on one file/message. Note – it would be prudent to use REST when the message exceeds 10MGB

Legislation update

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- There may be some minor changes in the next Finance Bill but they shouldn't affect the Schema
- All required legislation will be in place by the time the new system commences

Issue: Will there be legislation to change how much information the payroll operator can see (due to Data Protection – e.g. executive payrolls) in Returns Reconciliation?

Answer: Existing plans are using functionality where all employees' information under the one registration number can be seen. This would be a business process issue for each employer. The use of digital certs and sub certs is in the control of the employer. Note – ROS has different levels of access so this should be considered

Legislation update

Issue: Revenue needs to communicate this to employers

Answer: Our teams are currently engaging with employers. We will ensure this is included in all communication with employers

PSDA actions update

Actions Update

Sample Code	1	Sample Code to demo integration with Web Services	Conor McDonough	26/03/2018	31/05/2018	Java and Java Script	Pending	Still under review
Sample JSON	2	Revenue to provide sample JSON/REST	Conor McDonough	01/02/2018	31/03/2018	28/03/2018	Complete	Published
JSON Spec for Manual Uploads	3	Revenue to produce a spec for manual uploads	Conor McDonough	01/03/2018	31/03/2018	28/03/2018	Complete	Published
Reconciliation Examples	4	Revenue to provide reconciliation examples	Conor McDonough	01/02/2018	30/04/2018	24/05/2018	Complete	Published
FAQ	5	Revenue to produce a publish an FAQ	Ruth Kennedy	14/12/2017	31/05/2018	24/05/2018	Complete	Known Issues published on PIT Helpdesk
Revenue Broadcast Option for PIT	6	Revenue to develop a broadcast option for PIT users	Ruth Kennedy	01/02/2018	31/05/2018	18/04/2018	Complete	Available through service desk
PIT Target SLAs	7	Revenue to indicate and publish targets for incident resolutions	Ruth Kennedy	06/03/2017	31/05/2018	Under review	Pending	Yes the plan is to indicate resolution target times
RFC for enumerated values change	8	RFC PSDA001 - change to align enumerated values across SOAP and REST specs	Conor McDonough	14/03/2018	03/05/2018	18/04/2018	Complete	RFC issued by PSDA. CAB meeting held 16-04-18, change approved and delivery scheduled for May 3rd

Actions

Published Specs Versions	9	Published Specs Inconsistencies in Versioning	Ruth Kennedy	28/03/2018	30/04/2018	24/05/2018	Complete	Published
Webex	10	Session recordings	Gavin Elsted	01/03/2018		Still under review	Pending	Revenue sourcing Skype for Business and this should resolve the problem. Await commissioning date
Errors in Manual Submission	11	Revenue to consider presenting these to screen as ingesting a XML file from Revenue to Payroll is not an option	Ruth Kennedy	28/03/2018	30/04/2018	Part of screen designs we are working on	Pending	Case made to Revenue that producing an XML file containing error messages makes little sense and will introduce unnecessary additional steps to the process plus an unnecessary dev overhead on members providing for this route. Revenue to review
UTC Date in header	12	Query from Mark R re date not required	Conor McDonough	28/03/2018	30/04/2018	Security recommends 60 seconds	Pending	Date validation to be added to REST digital signing verification (currently in place for SOAP)
Sample Code on Digital Signing	13	Sample code to be provided for digital signing	Conor McDonough	28/03/2018	30/04/2018	No date yet	Pending	Revenue to supply ASAP
QR Code Authy Query	14	Is there an alternative to scanning the QR code	Conor McDonough	28/03/2018	30/04/2018	--/--/--?	Complete	QR Code alternative provided
Revenue request limits	15	HMRC has a limit of no more than 200 requests from same UP in 5 secs. Will there be a Revenue limit in Live?	Conor McDonough	28/03/2018	30/04/2018	Awaiting guidance from network team	Pending	There will be a frequency limit. Conor to revert
Check Payroll Run Service	16	Query raised during // run meeting on 18-04 with Conor. Believe that this is a reference to monthly statement!	Conor McDonough	18/04/2018	30/04/2018	--/--/--?	Complete	Will include return's reconciliation service in parallel test
RPN Range Option	17	Conor to revert re potential limit for number of RPNs returned from Revenue	Conor McDonough	18/04/2018	30/04/2018	No update as yet	Pending	

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REST Compression	18	Will be available in PIT2 from Jul 3rd. Conor to indicate compression standard to be used	Conor McDonough	18/04/2018	09/05/2018	Available with July PIT release	Pending	Compression Standard will be GZIP. It will be available from July PIT release.
PIT3 May Releases	19	Batching SOAP, Webservice inbound file limit	Conor McDonough	18/04/2018	03/06/2018	24/5/2018	Complete	Webservice inbound file size limit moved to July release
PIT3 Jun Releases	20	Agent access, Return Reconciliation Service	Conor McDonough	18/04/2018	03/07/2018	PIT release	Pending	
PIT3 Jul Releases	21	Accepting inbound compressed REST, outbound compressed REST, Lookup RPN by range	Conor McDonough	18/04/2018	03/08/2018	PIT release	Pending	
SOAP and REST examples for Scenarios Document	22	To be published on 19th April on Website	Conor McDonough	18/04/2018	19/04/2018	--/--/--?	Complete	
Comprehensive Demo for Submissions	23	Ruth to revert re request for demo of submission of a more comprehensive file	Ruth Kennedy	18/04/2018	09/05/2018	--/--/--?	Complete	
RPN USC Cut-off Points	24	Value should be actual cut-offs as supplied on the current P2C file	Ruth Kennedy	02/05/2018	31/05/2018	Issue still open	Pending	Will be updated as part of bug fix ASAP
ASC reported on PAYE Mod as RAC cat	25	ASC to be categorised as RAC on PAYE Mod and remitted?	Ruth Kennedy	02/05/2018	31/05/2018	Text will be changed	Pending	
SRCOP, Tax Credit and USC Thresholds	26	Revenue to validate divisor and rounding method and illustrate via example	Ruth Kennedy	02/05/2018	31/05/2018	Nearly resolved	Pending	Draft currently in preparation – will circulate to PSDA members in advance of June meeting

AOB

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Issue: Will manual file upload accept compressed files?

Answer: Revenue to review for next PSDA meeting

Issue: Request for screen shots of Manual Input screens

Answer: Revenue to provide screenshots at subsequent PSDA meeting

Issue: Does an Employer always need to apply the PRSI Exemption if indicated on the RPN?

Answer: Revenue to review for next PSDA meeting

AOB

Issue: Can a line item id be re-used in a correction submission if the line item was rejected in the original submission?

Answer: Yes

Issue: The schema definition of Employment ID in the List of Employees schema does not match its definition in the Payroll Submission schema. (e.g. EmploymentID should allow for underscores in the List of Employees schema but it currently doesn't)

Answer: The Employment ID attribute in the Employee list schema will be updated to be aligned with the Payroll Submission schema