Error Report 1641

Error report 1641 identifies two problems with the processing of name updates through the regular batch process:

1. For new hire actions, when only N1 and N2 transactions accompany the hire activity, program PPECMIN complains that the name, which is minimum data, has not been supplied.
2. For regular name changes, when only a single name component is supplied via an N1 or N2 transaction, the EMP_NAME value is changed to spaces.

In addition to these issues, the original one-time program issued with release 1253 was in error in excluding separated employees from its selection. That deficiency is made up in this release by another one-time process, PPOT1255.

Programs

PPECMIN

Program PPECMIN incorrectly edited explicit input to EDB batch maintenance to determine whether an EMP_NAME value has been supplied. With this release PPECMIN will now determine whether a LAST_NAME, the only required portion of the employee name, has been supplied. When LAST_NAME has not been supplied, message 08-124 will be issued.
Program PPEI250 incorrectly evaluated and moved each of the three name component fields independently in order to determine whether there was a need to derive the EMP_NAME value. With this release PPEI250 derives the EMP_NAME value using all name components when any one of those components has been modified.

PPOT1255

Program PPOT1255 is a one-time program similar to program PPOT1253. It is intended to perform for separated employees those tasks which PPOT1253 performed for non-separated employees:

- Determine the values for the new name component columns of the PPPPER table
- Determine the values for the new release flag data elements
- Initialize the new NET-ID field to spaces

PPOT1255 incorporates the various corrections, which have previously been made to PPOT1253.

Not all campuses will need to run PPOT1255. If your campus modified the cursor declaration in PPOT1253 so that separated employees were included in the cursor for the production run, you will not need to run PPOT1255.

For those campuses who do run PPOT1255, you should be aware that the changes made to the EDB records of separated employees will cause those records to be selected for the next IVR extract which is run following the run of PPOT1255. This will result in large extract files for some campuses. Please advise Jerry Wilcox of the timing for the run of PPOT1255 so that he can make appropriate plans for the volume of the extract he will be receiving.

Bind Member

PPOT1255

PPOT1255 is the bind statement for the one-time program of the same name.

Job Control Language (JCL)

Sample JCL for running PPOT1255 is supplied with this release.

Test Plan

A separate test plan document is included with the release materials.

Installation Instructions

The following steps should be followed in installing this release:

1. Install, DB2 pre-compile, compile for dual use and link/edit modified programs PPECMIN and PPEI250.
2. Bind plans PPP120 and PPP130.
3. Install, DB2 pre-compile, compile for batch only and link/edit new, one-time program PPOT1255.
4. Install new bind member PPOT1255.
5. Bind plan PPOT1255.
6. Perform tests as outlined in the test plan.
Timing of Installation

Although installation of release 1253 was date-mandated, installation of these corrections is not. The urgency of installation will depend upon whether the campus in question process new hire actions and name changes through the batch EDB Maintenance process.

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