Error Report 1708

Error Report 1708 reported a problem with the way PPEDTPAY handled representation codes in its call to PPTCTUTL. Depending on circumstance, PPEDTPAY moved the value of the appointment representation code or employee level representation code, one character fields, to XTCL-CHOSEN-PAY-REP-CODE, a three character field. PPTCTUTL expects COV or UNC in that field. The result was that the incoming value was considered invalid, and the rate lookup defaulted to UNC. In the case reported, however, there was no uncovered rate, and thus a rate was not returned.

During testing it was also determined that exclusive 88 values related to the XTCL-TITLE-STATUS-CODE were not being evaluated properly for the mixed type of calls to PPTCTUTL from PPEDTPAY. When a rate lookup was performed, a rate related 88 value was being set. This value overrode the 88 value indicating a "found title", which resulted in the incorrect issuance of error message 36-060 Invalid Title Code.

Programs

PPEDTPAY
PPEDTPAY is called by PPP360 to edit some types of pay transactions. It has been modified to translate employee and appointment level coverage code 'C' to 'COV' and all others as 'UNC' when loading field XTCL-CHOSEN-PAY-REP-CODE. On return from PPTCTUTL, message 36-060 is now only issued if XTCL-TITLE-NOT-FOUND is true.
Test Plan

A separate Test Plan has been issued as part of this release.

Installation Instructions

1. DB2 pre-compile, compile and link Dual program PPEDTPAY into batch LOADLIB.
2. Bind the plan for PPP360.
3. DB2 pre-compile, compile and link Dual program into online OLOADLIB.
4. Bind the package for PPEDTPAY.

Timing of Installation

The installation of this release is Not Urgent. However, for campuses which make extensive use of rate lookup this release should be installed as soon as possible to avoid the type of error reported. Note that the error affects covered employees where there is a Covered rate but not an Uncovered rate. If Release 1304 has not been installed, this released should be included with its installation.

As usual, campuses are encouraged to install this release in as timely a fashion as possible and in the normal numeric sequence.

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