This release addresses the following Error Reports:

**Error Report 2142**

A Web Merit cycle with a zero control percent is treated as a rate reduction the same as a negative percent. This generates a new distribution with an end date equal to the reduction cycle end date. Because the zero percent is not intended to be a rate reduction there is no reduction cycle end date. The result is a transaction for the new distribution with an invalid end date (low values) and ultimately the rejection of all the transactions generated for the EDB update. The program needs to be changed to treat a cycle with a zero control percent as a positive merit adjustment.

**Error Report 2146**

After performing a select on the PRM table for the "standard hours in a year", System Parameter # 41, there is no test of the SQL return code. Therefore, if the return code is bad, the program proceeds with zero for the standard hours in a year. Later the program terminates with a divide-by-zero ABEND. A test of the SQL return code needs to be added to the paragraph which reads the PRM table to allow for a smooth termination if there is a bad return code.

**Programs**

**PPP676**

PPP676 creates EDB update transactions for updating/creating distributions in order to reflect the new pay rates established by the processing of a Web Merit cycle. The program was modified to treat a cycle with a zero control percent as a positive merit adjustment, not a rate reduction. It was also modified to test the SQL return code after a read of the parameter table, PPPPRM, in order to avoid an ABEND.
Installation Instructions

1. Install, compile, and link the following modified program:

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2. Bind the following plan:

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Test Plan

A separate Test Plan document is provided for this release.

Timing of Installation

The timing of this release is not urgent.

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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