

TECHNICAL BULLETIN FROM GLOBAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS

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BACSTEL-IP

This bulletin is a final reminder to our Global 3000 Payroll, Global 3000 Creditors Ledger and Global 2000 Purchase Ledger users who make payments using BACS. From 1st January 2006, the BACSTEL transmission procedure will no longer operate and payment files from that date must be sent using the Internet based service, BACSTEL-IP.

HOW DOES IT AFFECT GLOBAL?

Files for the new service, while still observing the APACS standard 18 for credit payments, have an additional check requiring the count of direct debit instructions to be zero rather than spaces. Files with this count set to spaces can cause submissions to be rejected by the BACSTEL-IP service with an error 1804.

Accordingly TIS Software Ltd have produced service pack, PR72_000020_000, for Global 3000 Payroll and zap PB-6.2-24 for Global BACS to ensure that files generated by Global meet the validation requirements for BACSTEL-IP. Applying the service pack should not prevent files from being submitted using BACSTEL as the field in question is not validated under the BACSTEL protocol.

We tested files created after applying the service pack using the test procedures of the BACSTEL-IP solution provider, Bottomline Technologies Inc (formerly Checkpoint) who in the past have supplied a number of our clients with their BACSTEL solution, WINBACS. For further details of their BACSTEL-IP solution, contact info@bottomline.co.uk.

Please note: You must ensure that you have applied the service pack/zap BEFORE creating BACS files using Global 3000 Payroll, Global 3000 Creditors Ledger or Global 2000 Purchase Ledger for submission under the new BACSTEL-IP protocol.

WHAT ELSE IS NEEDED FOR BACSTEL-IP?

Migration from BACSTEL to BACSTEL-IP is not automatic and can be quite complex if undertaken without proper guidance. If you have not already done so, it is VITAL that you contact your BACS Solution Provider URGENTLY to arrange migration to BACSTEL-IP as soon as possible.