



Earned Value Incentive Program User Guide

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1 Introduction

This guide will help you to register for the Incentive Programs Service which is a prerequisite for participation in any incentive program. This guide will also help you enroll for the Earned Value (EV) incentive program. The initial registration for the service, though it takes several steps, must only be completed once and allows enrollment for all incentive programs that may be active at a certain time. Begin your enrollment by completing the steps listed in this guide.

Finding additional Information

The following documentation may also be useful and provide up to date information.


- Promotions and Incentive Programs documentation on RIBBS
<https://ribbs.usps.gov/index.cfm?page=mailingpromotions>
- April 2012 Release 31 Postal Service Technical Specifications
https://ribbs.usps.gov/intelligentmail_schedule/documents/tech_guides/april2012/techspecs.htm
- April 2012 *PostalOne!* Release Notes
https://ribbs.usps.gov/intelligentmail_schedule/documents/tech_guides/april2012/releasenotes.htm
- Incentive Programs Service User Guide (for Mail Owners)
https://ribbs.usps.gov/mailingspromotions/documents/tech_guides/IncentiveProgramsEnrollmentGuide.pdf
- Business Customer Gateway User Access Guides
https://ribbs.usps.gov/intelligentmail_guides/documents/tech_guides/user_access/user_access.htm

1.1 Additional Assistance

For Business Customer Gateway enrollment assistance contact the *PostalOne!* Customer Care Center at (800) 522-9085 or postalone@email.usps.gov.

Promotion related questions can be directed to the Earned Value Program Office at: earnedvalue@usps.gov.

1.2 Document Conventions

For further information, icons navigate you to the Troubleshooting  and FAQ sections of this guide by the Ctrl + click feature.

1.3 Key Terminology

Business Customer Gateway (BCG): Web portal for **USPS**[®] business services <http://gateway.usps.com>

Customer Registration ID (CRID): A unique ID for a company name and location combination. The CRID is automatically assigned when you select a Business Account.

Business Service Administrator (BSA): An individual that can approve or deny a user's access to participate in services on behalf of a company. The first person to request access to a service from your company will be prompted to become the BSA. In order to gain access to the service someone must assume the BSA role.

2 New Business Customer Gateway (BCG) Users

1. Navigate to the BCG: <https://gateway.usps.com>
2. Click on *Register for free*

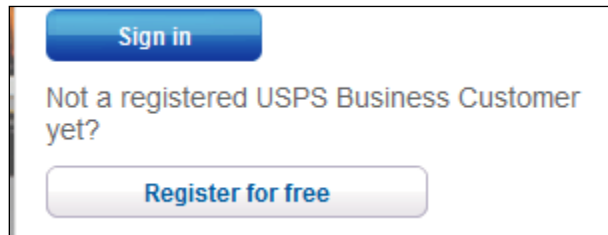


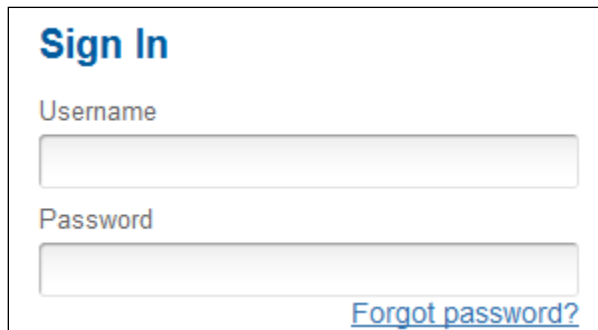
Figure 1: Register for Free

Follow the prompts by entering the required fields to create a new business account. You will receive an automatic email confirming that Your United States Postal Service Online Business Account has been activated.

3 Steps for Existing Business Customer Gateway (BCG) Users

If you are already using the BCG, complete the four steps to enroll for an incentive program:

1. Navigate to the BCG: <https://gateway.usps.com>
2. Enter your user name and password in the fields provided.



The image shows a sign-in form with the following elements:

- Sign In**: A blue heading at the top left.
- Username**: A text label above a white input field.
- Password**: A text label above a white input field.
- Forgot password?**: A blue, underlined link located at the bottom right of the password field.

Figure 2: Sign in screen

4 Request Incentives Programs: New and Existing Users

If you are already using the BCG or are new to the BCG, complete the four steps to enroll for an incentive program:

1. Navigate to the BCG and sign in to display the Welcome Screen
2. Select Mailing Services from the menu to the left of the Welcome Screen.

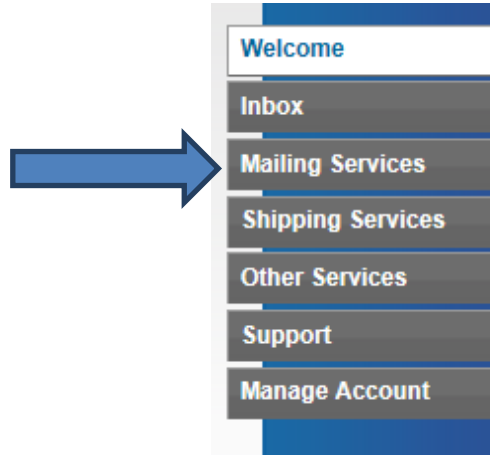


Figure 3: Click on Mailing Services

3. Select Incentive Programs from the list displayed and click on Get Access.

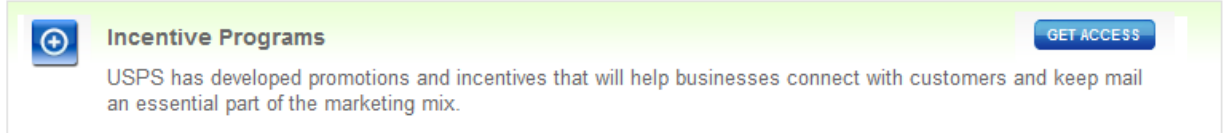





Figure 4: Incentive Programs

4. Verify all your Business Locations
 - Under Manage Account > Manage Services: Click on  button to manage your services by location if they are not displayed.


Note: When adding locations, enter the CRID if you know it. Otherwise enter the company and address information to get access to existing locations.

5. Select all your Business Locations
 - Click the check box for all business locations that you would like to enroll and then click the  button.
6. Confirm your selection
 - Verify the accuracy of your locations and click the  button.

Note: It may save time to write down the CRIDs of any newly added locations

7. Become the Business Services Administrator (BSA) role for Incentive Programs

The Incentive Programs BSA for each location must approve all requests from other users to enroll the location to the service. As a result, there must be an Incentive Programs BSA for each location in order to complete enrollment. The individual who assumes the role will approve or deny who can access the incentive programs module on your company's behalf and which locations will be available for enrollment in the Incentive Programs. To assume the BSA role, complete the following steps:

- Review the USPS Online Agreement.
- Select the checkbox to agree to the USPS Online Agreement.
- Select the checkbox of the location(s) for which you want to become BSA.
- Click on the  button.

Note: Write down the CRIDs of your business locations; you may need them for Step 2. You will receive an automatic email that the request for Incentive Programs and business location has been approved.

8. Become the Business Services Administrator (BSA) role for Incentive Programs
 - You are the BSA for Incentive Programs

If you see the message shown below go to Select **an Incentive Program**.



Figure 5: BSA Access Granted

If you do not see the message from above continue to get access to the Manage Mailing Activity service. Go to step below to become the BSA for Manage Mailing Activity.

9. You need approval from the BSA for Manage Mailing Activity

If you see the message shown below (Figure 6), go to step below and: **Request Manage Mailing Activity** and follow all the steps. If you would like more information about why this step may be necessary, see the [FAQ sheet](#).

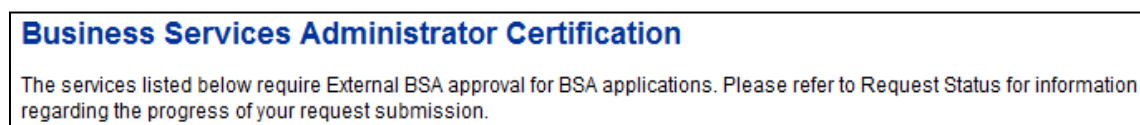


Figure 6: BSA Certification Required

10. Click on Manage Account

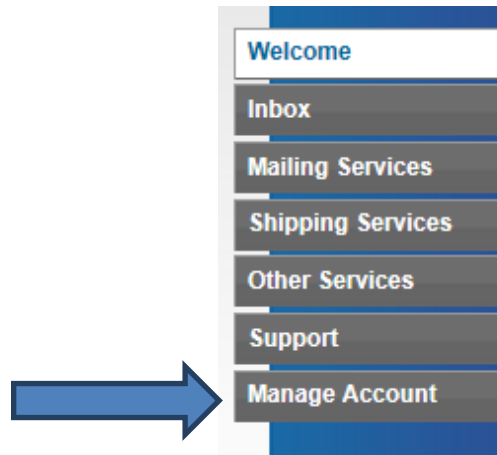


Figure 7: Manage Accounts

11. Request access to MMA

If you added new locations, enter all of them here as well. Use the [Add Location](#) button to either enter the CRIDs of those existing locations or the exact company name and addresses as entered previously

12. Become the BSA for Manage Mailing Activity

There must be a BSA in place before you can enroll your business locations to Manage Mailing Activity. To become the BSA, complete the following steps:

- Review the USPS Online Agreement.
- Select the checkbox to agree to the USPS Online Agreement.
- Select the checkbox of the location(s) for which you want to become BSA.
- Click on the [Yes](#) button.

You are now the Manage Mailing Activity BSA for the selected locations. The locations you have selected have been enrolled for the Manage Mailing Activity service. You will receive an automatic email that the request to become the BSA for Manage Mailing Activity and business location(s) has been approved.

5 Identify Yourself

1. From the Mailing Services page, select Incentive Programs.

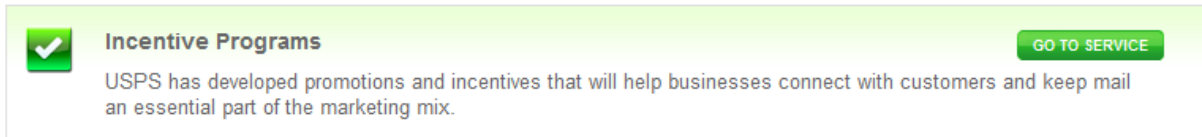


Figure 8 Incentive Programs

2. Identify whether you are a Mail Owner or Mail Service Provider

Correctly identifying yourself is important for several reasons. Select Mail Owner if you plan to prepare and tender your own mail to the USPS when claiming the incentive. Select Mail Service Provider if you are a mailing agent for mail owners. Refer to Figure 9.

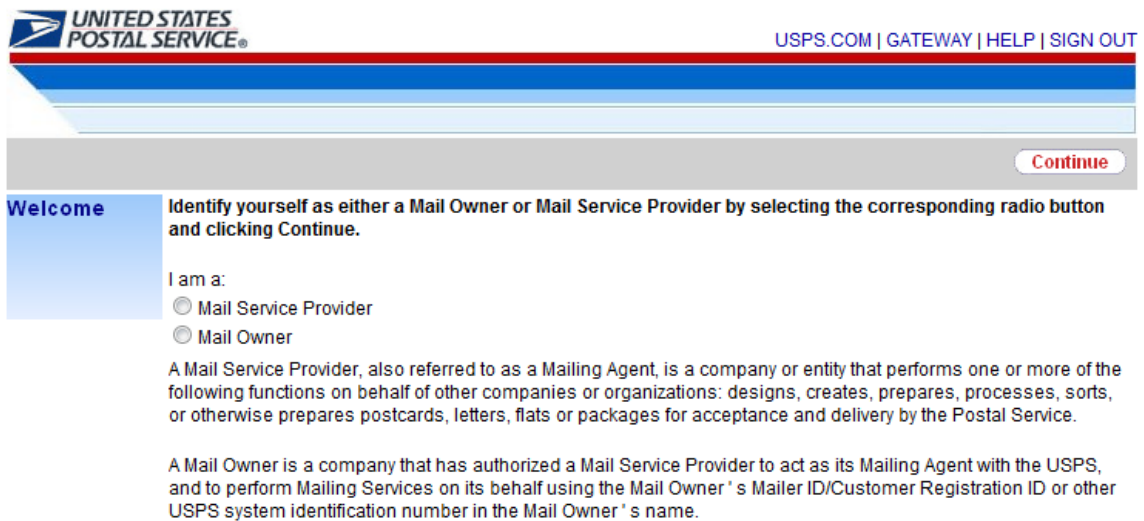



Figure 9: Identify Yourself

3. Verify your mailer identity

Select the *double-arrow* button  to expand a pop-up that displays your user's profile information. Use it to verify that you have identified yourself correctly. Refer to Figure 10.



Welcome

Click the incentive name to get more information or to begin enrollment (if eligible).

[Holiday Mobile Shopping Promotion](#)

The 2012 Holiday Mobile Shopping Promotion is designed to drive online product purchases by putting direct mail and catalogs containing mobile-optimized coupons and promotional offers into consumers' hands in time for Black Friday and Cyber Monday, the busiest shopping time of year. The promotion will offer online merchants an upfront 2% postage discount on Standard Mail and First-Class Mail letters, flats and cards (presort and automation) that include a mobile barcode or print/mobile technology.

Figure 10: Click on double arrow

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TEST COMPANY (NEW)
5 D NEW ADDRESS STREEET
SILVER STONE NEW ADDRESS, AK 12340
US
8360304
Mail Owner (Not a MO?)
Filter Programs
 Available Programs
 Enrolled Programs
 In Progress Programs
 Unavailable Programs
Filter

Program	Type	Status
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motion is designed to drive online product purchases by putting
bile-optimized coupons and promotional offers into consumers'
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ge discount on Standard Mail and First-Class Mail letters, flats and
lude a mobile barcode or print/mobile technology.

on Promotion

t on Standard and First-Class Mail letters, flats and cards that include
mobile device. The barcode must lead to a mobile optimized site
e, or a unique, web page tailored to each recipient.

ON ABOUT.USPS.COM OTHER USPS SITES

Figure 11: User Profile info displayed

It is important that you verify that you have correctly identified yourself. To do this, look at the identity label displayed in the pop-up right above the Process Start Date. In the example from Figure 12 below, the user has identified himself as a "Mail Service Provider".

Juanirris
Ankura
Raval
CSI
1023 15TH ST NW
WASHINGTON, DC 20005-2602
US
5098250
[Mail Service Provider \(Not a MSP?\)](#)
Process Start Date: 03/07/2011

Filter Programs

- Available Programs
- Enrolled Programs
- In Progress Programs
- Unavailable Programs

Program	Type	Status
Mobile Commerce and Personalization Promotion	I	ENROLLED

ON ABOUT.USPS.COM
 About USPS Home ›
 Newsroom ›
 Mail Service Updates ›
 Forms & Publications ›
 Careers ›

OTHER USPS SITES
 Business Customer Gateway ›
 Postal Inspectors ›
 Inspector General ›
 Postal Explorer ›

Figure 12: User Profile shown as Mail Service Provider

If you need to change your identity, use the link that is next to the identity label. In Figure 12, the link reads “Not a MSP?” in parenthesis. Select this link and you will be directed back to the *Identify Yourself* screen where you can modify your selection.

Modifying your identity after you are enrolling/enrolled in a program will reset the enrollment process and you will need to re-enroll if you wish to continue claiming the Earned Value credit. Your status will revert back to “AVAILABLE”.

6 Begin Enrollment

1. Select an Incentive Program

Select the *Earned Value Incentive Program* (as a MSP or Mail Owner) by clicking on the program name. Refer to Figure 13.

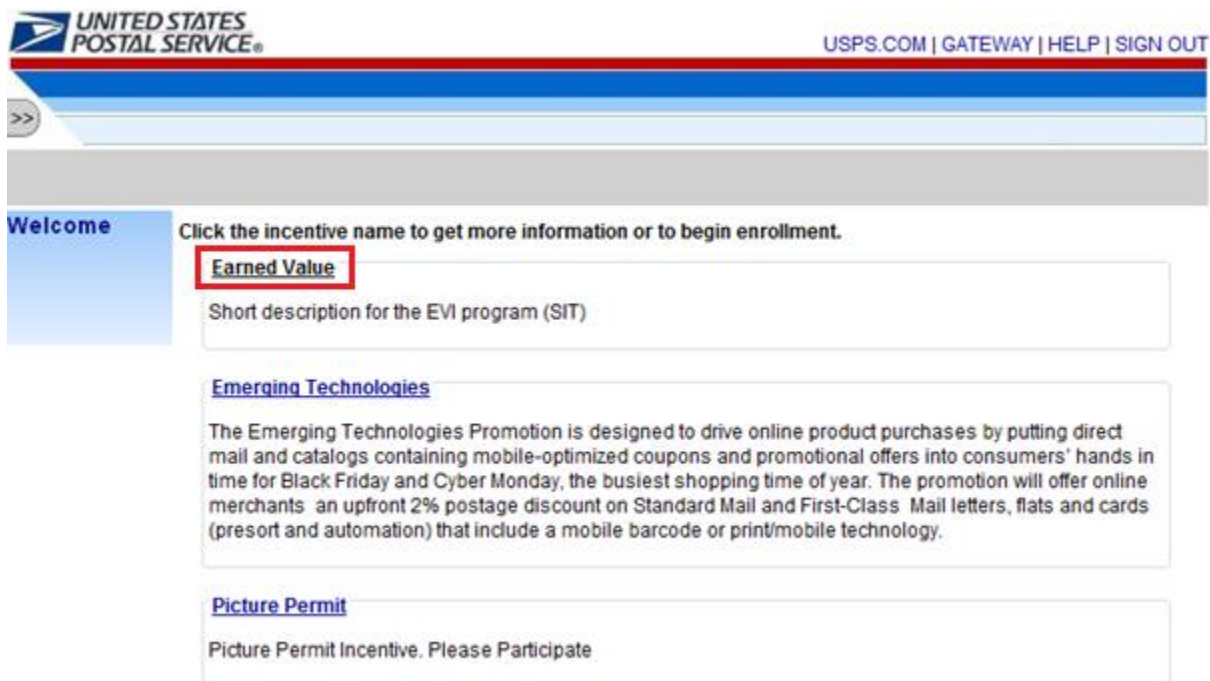


Figure 13: Incentive Program Selection

2. Select the Begin Enrollment button

To begin enrollment into the selected Incentive Program, select the **Begin Enrollment** button located at the top right corner of the page.

3. Follow the Enrollment Tasks

Complete the Enrollment tasks by using the tabs located on the left-hand side of the page, or by clicking the links associated with each step. As you complete each task, the system will display the task as "Complete". Some Enrollment tasks become available only after other tasks have been completed. Refer to Figure 14.

Earned Value **Enrollment Status: IN PROGRESS** [Back to Incentives Home](#)

Program Summary	Earned Value Overview Long description for Earned Value incentive (SIT)
Additional Contact Information <i>Incomplete</i>	Enrollment Status - In Progress - 0 out of 5 steps completed Please complete all of the steps below to enroll. Enrollment Steps (5)
Locations <i>Incomplete</i>	[+] Additional Contact Information - <i>Incomplete</i>
Payment Accounts <i>Incomplete</i>	[+] Locations - <i>Incomplete</i>
Program Assistance	[+] Mailer IDs - Not Available
	[+] Payment Accounts - <i>Incomplete</i>
	[+] Certification - Not Available

▶ Show Additional Information

Figure 14: Enrollment Status: In Progress

4. Additional Contact Information Tab

The Additional Contact Information tab allows you to save contact information for an alternative primary contact and for a technical contact. You are required to enter information for the alternative primary contact to complete this task.

5. Locations Tab

The Locations tab allows you to review your participating mailing locations. You must verify the accuracy of the displayed locations and select the <I Agree> button to complete this task.

Post-Enrollment Changes

If you associate new locations to the Incentive Programs service after you have completed enrollment in a program, these locations will not be automatically enrolled in the program. To enroll these new locations in the programs for which you are already enrolled, you must select the Incentive Programs link as described in section 3.

You will want to enroll all CRIDs/locations for which there are eligible Mailer IDs you plan to use for the promotion. If CRIDs are missing, the Mailer IDs associated to these CRIDs will not be enrolled in the program and you will not receive any credit for CRM/BRM volume associated to them. The system will NOT recognize the Mailer IDs as enrolled and will NOT track their volume.

Unavailable Company Locations

Shared business locations may be Unavailable for enrollment to you when they have already been enrolled by another user. A business location is referred to as shared when it has been registered for the Incentive Program's service by multiple users. See Figure 7.

The screenshot shows the USPS Earned Value Incentive Program interface. At the top, it displays the USPS logo and navigation links: [USPS.COM](#) | [GATEWAY](#) | [HELP](#) | [SIGN OUT](#). The user's enrollment status is **IN PROGRESS**, with a [Back to Incentives Home](#) button.

The interface is divided into several sections:

- Earned Value**: Shows the current enrollment status as **IN PROGRESS**.
- Program Summary**: Provides instructions on linking business locations to CRIDs.
- Additional Contact Information**: Marked as *Incomplete*.
- Locations**: Marked as *Complete*. It includes a filter section with dropdowns for 'Table' and 'Category', and a 'Per Page' selector set to 20.
- Mailer IDs**: Marked as *Incomplete*.
- Payment Accounts**: Marked as *Complete*.
- Program Assistance**: A section for user support.

The 'Locations' section is the primary focus, showing two tables:

Available Company Locations: Showing 1 - 2 of 2

Company	CRID	Address	Enrollment Method	Enrollment Date
UNITED STATES	5030556	605 5TH AVE S SEATTLE		
The Masters of Mail	5170321	78 Seventy-Eight St Looney KS		

Export options: [CSV](#) | [Excel](#) | [XML](#) | [PDF](#)

Unavailable Company Locations: Showing 1 - 3 of 3

Company	CRID	Address	Enrollment Method	Enrollment Date
Post-Enrollment Loc	* 4821337	245 Pera st Lacer PA		
The Company of Mail	* 5155336	88 Eighty-Eight St Loretto MN		
2350 sit Users Company	* 20166917	2350 sit Users Street Alexandria CT		

Export options: [CSV](#) | [Excel](#) | [XML](#) | [PDF](#)

* - Indicates a shared CRID

Shared CRIDs are Unavailable for enrollment when they have already been enrolled by another user.

Figure 15: Unavailable Location

*The logged-in user shares some of their locations with another user who is already enrolled in the program. You will not get credit for CRIDs that have been previously registered by another user.

7 Mailer IDs Tab

The Mailer IDs tab will only become available once the Locations tab has been completed. It allows you to review your participating mailer IDs. You must verify the accuracy and completeness of the mailer IDs and select the <I Agree> button to complete this task.

Note that you will need to enroll all CRIDs/locations for which there are eligible Mailer IDs that you plan to use for the promotion. Only business locations that are registered for the Incentive Program's service will have their associated Mailer IDs displayed in the Mailer IDs tab.

Unavailable Mailer IDs

Shared Mailer IDs may be Unavailable for enrollment to you when they have already been enrolled by another user. A Mailer ID is referred to as shared when its parent CRID (i.e. the CRID to which it belongs to) has been registered for the Incentive Program's service by multiple users. See Figure 8 and Figure 8a.

Adding a Mailer ID post-agreement

If a Mailer ID is added to one of your participating CRIDs after you have already agreed to the list presented in the Mailer IDs tab and you want it to participate in the program, you must refresh your list of MIDs. To do this, you must return to the MIDs tab and follow the steps indicated on the page.



Earned Value **Enrollment Status: IN PROGRESS** [Back to Incentives Home](#)

Program Summary
 Verify that your Mailer IDs are listed correctly and select the <I Agree> button below to complete this enrollment step. If one or more of your MIDs is missing, please click this link to the [Business Customer Gateway](#) and verify that the location to which the MID is linked is registered for the Incentive Programs service.

For more information regarding the data in the columns, place your cursor over the column title.

Additional Contact Information *Incomplete* Per Page: 20 ▾

Filter: by for [Filter](#)

[Clear Filter](#)

Locations *Complete*

Available Mailer IDs Showing 1 - 2 of 2

MID	CRID	Address			ZIP Code	Tracking Request Date
		Street Address	City	State		
900005975	20163390	201 D STREET	DELAWARE	DC	20024-2198	
900005976	20163390	201 D STREET	DELAWARE	DC	20024-2198	

Export options: [CSV](#) | [Excel](#) | [XML](#) | [PDF](#)

Mailer IDs *Incomplete*

Payment Accounts *Incomplete* [I Agree](#) [I Disagree](#)

Program Assistance

Figure 16: Mail ID Tab for users who do not share business locations

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Earned Value **Enrollment Status: ENROLLED** [Unenroll](#) [Back to Incentives Home](#)

Program Summary You have already agreed to the below MID's being the MID's participating in this Incentive Program.
For more information regarding the data in the columns, place your cursor over the column title.

Additional Contact Information Complete Per Page: 20

Filter by for [Filter](#) [Clear Filter](#)

Locations Complete

Available Mailer IDs Showing 1 - 4 of 4

MID	Shared?	CRID	Address				Tracking Request Date
			Street Address	City	State	ZIP Code	
999999970	Yes	20167559	232 WATERSIDE DR	WILDWOOD	MO	63040-1631	08/27/2013 15:30:03
999999971	Yes	20167559	232 WATERSIDE DR	WILDWOOD	MO	63040-1631	08/27/2013 15:30:03
999999971	Yes	20167559	232 WATERSIDE DR	WILDWOOD	MO	63040-1631	08/27/2013 15:30:03
900006047	Yes	20167559	232 WATERSIDE DR	WILDWOOD	MO	63040-1631	01/31/2013 12:21:04

Export options: [CSV](#) | [Excel](#) | [XML](#) | [PDF](#)

Mailer IDs Complete

Permit Accounts Complete

Certification Complete

Unavailable Mailer IDs Showing 1 - 2 of 2

MID	Shared?	CRID	Address			
			Street Address	City	State	ZIP Code
900007616	Yes	20170240	123 DREAM ST.	BEVERLY HILLS	CA	90210
900007615	Yes	20170238	4840 WESTFIELDS BLVD STE 200	CHANTILLY	VA	20151-4219

Export options: [CSV](#) | [Excel](#) | [XML](#) | [PDF](#)

Activity Report Complete

Permit Balance Complete

Program

Shared Mailer IDs that have been enrolled by another user cannot be re-enrolled as part of your registration.

Figure 17: Mailer ID: User shares some business locations.

8 Payment Accounts Tab (for Mail Owners) / Permit Accounts (for MSPs)

The Payment Accounts tab allows you to review the permits that are associated to your registered business locations. If a permit is added to one of your participating CRIDs, you have to wait 30 minutes for the new permit to display on the page. In order to use the credit accrued during the program, you will have to use your selected permit/permits to pay for postage when claiming the incentive in the postage statement. You must verify the accuracy and completeness of the permits so that you will be able to use the credit you accrued during the incentive. Once you have verified your permits you must finalize your permit selections before the award claim period begins. You can do so by clicking on the <I Agree> button.

Selecting Multiple Permits

You can select one or more permits to split your credit by allocating percentage values to each permit. You may select an eligible or custom permit. To assign a percentage value to a single permit or multiple permits, click on the ADD button displayed under the Eligible Permits table. See Figure 18

Program Summary

Additional Contact Information
Complete

Locations
Complete

Mailer IDs
Complete

Payment Accounts
Incomplete

Certification
Complete

Activity Report
Incomplete

Your permit accounts are shown below. Verify that what is listed is correct. If you do not see a permit and you are sure that it is linked to one of the enrolled CRIDs displayed in the Locations tab, take the following steps to link the missing permit.

Cropped Page

Selected (Multiple) Permits: Showing 1 - 1 of 1

	Permit	Type	Finance Number	CRID	ZIP/Postal Code	CAPS	Percentage
Remove	899	PI	164950	94543555	619389998		50

Totals Percentage 50%

[Update Percentage](#)

Eligible Permits: Showing 1 - 1 of 1

	Permit	Type	Finance Number	CRID	ZIP/Postal Code	CAPS
Add	* 1000	PC	517716	4430515	240229998	

Export options: [CSV](#) | [Excel](#) | [XML](#) | [PDF](#)

Ineligible Permits: Showing 1 - 4 of 4

Permit	Type	Finance Number	CRID	ZIP/Postal Code	CAPS
* 17353025	PE	999924	4430515	99998	
* 9205823	PE	999924	4430515	99998	
* 17353025	PE	999922	4430515	999990000	
* 9205823	PE	999922	4430515	999990000	

Export options: [CSV](#) | [Excel](#) | [XML](#) | [PDF](#)

Custom MSP Permit Search

Please check with your MSP on what permit information should be entered.

* Permit Number: * Permit Type:

City: * State Code:

Figure 18: Add Eligible Permit

Changing my selected permit – Eligible Permits

You can change the selected eligible or custom permit at any time up to the start of the Award Claim Period. To change your permit percentage allocation click on the remove button. Be sure to click on the I Agree button once you make your changes. See Figure 19

Note: Once the Award Claim Period has started your permit and credit allocation is sent to PostalOne! and cannot be changed.

Program Summary

Your permit accounts are shown below. Verify that what is listed is correct. If you do not see a permit and you are sure that it is linked to one of the enrolled CRIDs displayed in the Locations tab, take the following steps to link the missing permit.

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Additional Contact Information
Complete

Locations
Complete

Mailer IDs
Complete

Payment Accounts
Incomplete

Certification
Complete

Activity Report
Incomplete

Selected (Multiple) Permits: Showing 1 - 1 of 1

	Permit	Type	Finance Number	CRID	ZIP/Postal Code	CAPS	Percentage
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Totals Percentage 50%
[Update Percentage](#)

Eligible Permits: Showing 1 - 1 of 1

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Export options: [CSV](#) | [Excel](#) | [XML](#) | [PDF](#)

Ineligible Permits: Showing 1 - 4 of 4

Permit	Type	Finance Number	CRID	ZIP/Postal Code	CAPS
* 17353025	PE	999924	4430515	99998	
* 9205823	PE	999924	4430515	99998	
* 17353025	PE	999922	4430515	999990000	
* 9205823	PE	999922	4430515	999990000	

Export options: [CSV](#) | [Excel](#) | [XML](#) | [PDF](#)

Custom MSP Permit Search

Please check with your MSP on what permit information should be entered.

* Permit Number: * Permit Type:

City: * State Code:

Figure 19: Remove Permit

Ineligible Permits

Based on the permit types allowed by the incentive program, your permits will be sorted as eligible or ineligible as shown in Figure 20 below. For the Earned Value Incentive Program, the only eligible permits are Metered (MT), Precanceled (PC), Permit Imprint (PI), OMAS Imprint (OI), and OMAS Metered (OM).

The screenshot shows the USPS Earned Value Incentive Program interface. At the top, the USPS logo is on the left and navigation links (USPS.COM | GATEWAY | HELP | SIGN OUT) are on the right. Below the header, the user's enrollment status is 'IN PROGRESS' with a 'Back to Incentives Home' link. A sidebar on the left contains menu items: Program Summary, Additional Contact Information (Complete), Locations (Complete), Mailer IDs (Incomplete), Payment Accounts (Complete), and Program Assistance. The main content area displays a message: 'Your permit accounts are shown below. Verify that what is listed is correct. If you do not see a permit and you are sure that it is linked to one of the enrolled CRIDs displayed in the Locations tab, take the following steps to link the missing permit.' Below this message is a red dashed box labeled 'Cropped Area'. The interface then shows two tables: 'Eligible Permits' (Showing 1 - 3 of 3) and 'Ineligible Permits' (Showing 1 - 1 of 1). The 'Eligible Permits' table has columns for Permit, Type, CRID, ZIP/Postal Code, and CAPS. The 'Ineligible Permits' table has columns for Permit, Type, CRID, ZIP/Postal Code, and CAPS. Export options (CSV | Excel | XML | PDF) are provided for both tables. A footnote at the bottom states: '* - Indicates a Payment/Permit Account that is linked to a CRID that you share with another user'.

Eligible Permits: Showing 1 - 3 of 3

Permit	Type	CRID	ZIP/Postal Code	CAPS
* 90334	PI	20166917	23250	
* 16868	PI	5155336	46468	16169
76868	PI	5170321	50468	161667

Export options: CSV | Excel | XML | PDF

Ineligible Permits: Showing 1 - 1 of 1

Permit	Type	CRID	ZIP/Postal Code	CAPS
* 90334	PP	20166917	23250	

Export options: CSV | Excel | XML | PDF

* - Indicates a Payment/Permit Account that is linked to a CRID that you share with another user

Figure 20: Ineligible Permits

Custom MSP Permit Search

The Custom MSP Permit Search is available to Mail Owners in order to search for and retrieve MSP permits the credit will be applied to. A MSP permit can be selected up until the start of the Award Claim Period (as determined on the internal console). The Permit Number, Permit Type, and State Code are denoted as required fields; the City is optional for the user to enter. Figure 21.

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<input type="radio"/>	811	PE	20488611	20024	12000
<input type="radio"/>	1122	PE	20488611	20024	12000
<input type="radio"/>	298	PP	20488611	20024	12000
<input type="radio"/>	10083	PE	20488611	20024	12000
<input type="radio"/>	1610	PI	20488611	20024	12000
<input type="radio"/>	213	PI	20488611	20024	12000
<input type="radio"/>	33333333	PE	20488611	20024	12000
<input type="radio"/>	22222222	PE	20488611	20024	12000
<input type="radio"/>	90013	OM	20488611	20024	12000

Export options: CSV | Excel | XML | PDF

Custom MSP Permit Search

Please check with your MSP on what permit information should be entered.

* Permit Number: * Permit Type:

City: * State Code:

Figure 21: Custom MSP Permit Search

Once a MSP Permit is searched for, a “Select MSP Permit” pop-up will display the Permit Number, Permit Type, Finance Number, City, State, CRID, Business Name, and Address of the company. The user can select which MSP Permit will receive the credit by clicking <Save>. Then the pop-up window will close and the MSP Permit table will be populated with your selection on the Payment Accounts screen with the following fields: Permit Number, Permit Type, CRID, ZIP/Postal Code, and CAPS info. Figures 22 and 23 below.

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://programregistration-sit.usps.com/progreg-external-webapp/c>. The browser tabs include 'Program Registration - Pe...', 'Activity Report', and 'Payment Accounts'. The main content area displays a table with columns for Permit Number, Permit Type, Finance Number, City, State, CRID, Business Name, and Address. A 'Select MSP Permit' dialog box is overlaid on the table, containing a table with the same columns. The dialog table has three rows, with the first row selected. Below the dialog table are 'Save' and 'Close' buttons.

Select	Permit Number	Permit Type	Finance Number	City	State	CRID	Business Name	Address
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	1234	PI	357485	Guangzhou		20102025	ChinaAcct	122 Liu Hua Lu
<input type="radio"/>	1234	PI	661204	WASHINGTON	DC	20165122	PROGREG CAT 5	5 CAT St
<input type="radio"/>	1234	PI	999999	MEMPHIS	TN	20165248	NCSC 2	6060 PRIMACY PKWY STE 251

Figure 22: Selecting a custom permit

Custom MSP Permit Search

Please check with your MSP on what permit information should be entered.

* Permit Number: * Permit Type: --Select Category--

City: * State Code:

MSP Permit:

Showing 1 - 1 of 1

	Permit	Type	CRID	ZIP/Postal Code	CAPS
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	1234	PI	20163414	20024	

Export options: CSV | Excel | XML | PDF

Figure 23: Custom Permit search result

Custom Mail Owner Permit Search

Custom Mail Owner Permit Search is available to MSPs in order to search for and retrieve Mail Owner permits the credit will be applied to. A Mail Owner permit can be selected/modified until the credit is released for the selected permits. The Permit Number, Permit Type, and State Code are denoted as required fields; the City is optional for the user to enter. Figure 24

Custom Mail Owner Permit Search

Please check with your Mail Owner on what permit information should be entered.

* Permit Number: * Permit Type: --Select Category--

City: * State Code:

* - Indicates a Payment/Permit Account that is linked to a CRID that you share with another user

Figure 24: Custom Mail Owner Permit Search

Once a Mail Owner Permit is searched for, a “Select Permit” pop-up will display the Permit Number, Permit Type, Finance Number, City, State, CRID, Business Name, and Address of the company. The user can select which Mail Owner Permit will receive the credit by clicking <Save>. Then the pop-up window will close and the Mail Owner Permit table will be populated with your selection on the Permit Accounts screen with the following fields: Permit Number, Permit Type, CRID, ZIP/Postal Code, and CAPS info. Figure 25 below.

Ineligible Permits: Showing 1 - 19 of 19

Permit	Type	CRID	ZIP/Postal Code	CAPS
811	PE	204		
1122	PE	204		
233	PE	204		
544	PE	204		
804	PE	204		
10083	PE	204		
33333333	PE	204		
22222222	PE	204		
306	PP	204		
298	PP	204		
305	PP	204		
50	PE	204		
28003	MR	204		
173000	PE	204		
131000	PE	204		
77777	PE	204		
42	PP	204		
318	PP	204		
370	BR	204		

Select Permit

Select	Permit Number	Permit Type	Finance Number	City	State	CRID	Business Name	Address
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	175	PI	414080	SARATOGA SPGS	NY	20165090	QUAD GRAPHICS SARATOGA SPRINGS	56 DUPLAINVILLE RD

Custom Mail Owner Permit Search

Please check with your Mail Owner on what permit information should be entered.

* Permit Number: * Permit Type:

City: * State Code:

Figure 25: Custom Mail Permit Search Results

9 Certification Tab

The Certification tab becomes available once the preceding steps have been completed. You must agree to the Certification Agreement by selecting the <I Agree> button to complete this final enrollment step. Upon agreeing, you are enrolled into the Incentive Program. You will know that you are fully enrolled when you see the Enrollment Status change to “Enrolled”. Refer to Figure 26.

The screenshot shows the USPS Gateway interface for the 'Holiday Mobile Shopping Promotion'. At the top, the USPS logo is on the left, and navigation links 'USPS.COM | GATEWAY | HELP | SIGN OUT' are on the right. Below the header, the promotion title 'Holiday Mobile Shopping Promotion' is displayed, followed by the enrollment status 'Enrollment Status: ENROLLED'. Two buttons, 'Unenroll' and 'Back to Incentives Home', are located to the right of the status. A navigation menu on the left lists several tabs: 'Program Summary', 'Additional Contact Information Complete', 'Locations Complete', 'Payment Accounts Complete', 'Certification Complete', 'Activity Report', and 'Program Assistance'. The 'Certification Complete' tab is highlighted in blue. The main content area contains a 'Certification Agreement' section with a paragraph of text and two buttons: 'I Agree' and 'I Disagree'.

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Holiday Mobile Shopping Promotion **Enrollment Status: ENROLLED** [Unenroll](#) [Back to Incentives Home](#)

Program Summary To complete enrollment into the program, you must agree to the legal statement below. If you choose to disagree, your enrollment will not be completed and you will be routed to the Program Assistance page to initiate correspondence with USPS regarding your concerns.

Additional Contact Information Complete

Certification Agreement:

By checking the "I Agree" button below, I declare that I have reviewed the Program Requirements Document and agree to follow the terms of the Holiday Mobile Shopping promotion as outlined in the Domestic Mail Manual and program requirements document available for download on the Incentive Programs description page. I further declare that the accounts (permit numbers) and locations (Customer Registration IDs) listed in this enrollment are correct and that I intend to participate in the promotion using any combination of these accounts. I understand that, though enrolled, I am not required to participate and I can obtain details online at gateway.usps.com or ask USPS® questions regarding my enrollment. If I am a Mail Service Provider (MSP), I declare as follows: (i) that I am authorized to use the Mailer IDs (MID) or Customer Registration IDs (CRID) as listed in this enrollment and in electronic files I intend to submit to the USPS, (ii) that I am authorized to represent each of the customers I enroll, (iii) that I have provided each customer (the Mail Owner) with the documents/rules, and (iv) that I have informed each of my customers of the terms of the promotion.

Locations Complete

Payment Accounts Complete

Certification Complete

Activity Report

Program Assistance

Figure 26: Certification Tab

10 Post-enrollment Scenarios

If you have completely enrolled in a program and later want to enroll a CRID; or request that a new Mailer ID be tracked; or add a new permit to the Incentive Program's service in the Business Customer Gateway (BCG), you may need to take a few manual steps to activate them. Refer to the post-enrollment information below.

Adding a Location post-enrollment

If a new location is granted access to the Incentive Programs Service in the BCG and you plan to populate the Permit Holder's Permit field of the eDoc with a permit linked to this location, you must refresh your list of enrolled CRIDs for the program. To do this, you must return to your homepage and select the Incentive Program's link (as described in Section 4, item 1.3).

Adding a Permit post-enrollment

If a permit is added to one of your participating CRIDs after you have completely enrolled in the program and you plan to go back and select this permit as your credit destination account, you must wait 30 minutes for the new permit to display on the page.

Adding a Mailer ID post-enrollment

If a Mailer ID is added to one of your participating CRIDs after you have completely enrolled in the program and you would like that MID to participate in the program, you must refresh your list of MIDs. To do this, you must return to the MIDs tab and follow the steps indicated on the page.

11 Reporting

Once completely enrolled, the Activity Report tab and Permit Balance tab will display below the Certification tab.

The Activity Report section provides both a high-level and a detailed view of volume and earned credit from returned Business Reply Mail (BRM) and Courtesy Reply Mail (CRM) pieces. It lets you know where your earned credit is coming from. You will have to agree to the volume and credit acquired in order to receive the credit.

The Permit Balance section provides both a high-level and a detailed view of your credit usage as it gets used up to pay mailings. It lets you track the history of your earned credit by providing detailed information such as the amount of credit used per postage statement and the remaining balance.

Activity Report

The top section of the Activity Report, displays the percentage allocated to the permits and credit amount. This information will update automatically if you decide to change your percentage allocation on the payment accounts tab. Refer to Figure 27

Permit Number	Permit Type	Finance Number	Percent Allocated	Amount
42	PI	517716	50%	\$1,111.11
81	PI	517716	50%	\$1,111.11
Total Available Credit				\$2,222.22

Figure 27: Permit Number and Percentage allocation

Earned Value Summary

Total Volumes for each piece type (i.e., BRM or CRM) are obtained by adding up the tracked volumes across all your participating Mailer IDs. The Award Amount is computed based on the Total Volume which is obtained by adding up Total CRM Volume multiplied by the CRM Credit Per Piece and Total BRM Volume multiplied by the BRM Credit Per Piece. [Note: The credit per piece for BRM and CRM are defined by the Program office.]

As a mailer, you can see how your earned Award Amount grows as more and more returned pieces are scanned and entered into the system.

The *Other Credit* field will only be populated if other mailers from your company enrolled in the program and selected the same permit as you for their award destination account. The Other Credit field displays the total award amount earned by these mailers. Note that all mailers who are authorized to use a permit could use the credit associated to it once it has been released by the Program Office.

Earned Value Summary

Award Start Date	Award End Date	Total Volume CRM	Total Volume BRM	Award Amount
10-30-2013	11-08-2013	0	0	\$0.00
	Subtotal	0	0	\$0.00
	Adjustment	222,222	0	\$2,222.22
	Grand Total	222,222	0	\$2,222.22
			Other Credit *	\$0.00
			Total Available Credit	\$2,222.22

* Credit belongs to other users

Figure 28: Earned Value Summary

The bottom section, Earned Value Detail Report, provides a detailed view by Mailer ID (MID). Each row represents a different MID for which it displays the total returned volume broken down into CRM and BRM pieces by month. Refer to Figure 29.

Read the content that follows for a more complete description of the information displayed in the Earned Value Detail Report section.

Earned Value Detail Report

CRID	Company	MID	JUN 2012		JUL 2012		AUG 2012		Total CRM Adjustment	Total BRM Adjustment	Net CRM	Net BRM	Credit Amount for CRM	Credit Amount for BRM
			CRM Pieces	BRM Pieces	CRM Pieces	BRM Pieces	CRM Pieces	BRM Pieces						
20400413	Company A	900008256					148	448						
20499224	Company B	900008303		296		1,359		2,371						
			SEP 2012 CRM Pieces	SEP 2012 BRM Pieces	OCT 2012 CRM Pieces	OCT 2012 BRM Pieces	Total CRM	Total BRM	Total CRM Adjustment	Total BRM Adjustment	Net CRM	Net BRM	Credit Amount for CRM	Credit Amount for BRM
			1,048	2,048	3,448	1,196	5,944	-20	0	1,176	5,944	\$1,176.00	\$297.20	
				202	1,064	0	5,292	30	60	30	5,352	\$30.00	\$267.60	

Figure 29: Earned Value Detail

CRID: The Customer Registration ID for the business location associated to each of the tracked Mailer IDs.

Company: The company name associated to the business location identified by the CRID.

MID: The Mailer ID that was tracked to obtain the CRM and BRM volumes.

CRM Pieces: The number of returned Courtesy Reply Mail (CRM) pieces as of the current date for the corresponding month, before adjustments.

BRM Pieces: The number of returned Business Reply Mail (BRM) pieces as of the current date for the corresponding month, before adjustments.

Total CRM: The total number of returned Courtesy Reply Mail (CRM) pieces as of the current date, before adjustments.

Total BRM: The total number of returned Business Reply Mail (BRM) pieces as of the current date, before adjustments.

Total CRM Adjustment: The total adjustment, in number of pieces, of returned Courtesy Reply Mail (CRM). An adjustment may occur if there is an error in the number of pieces scanned.

Total BRM Adjustment: The total adjustment, in number of pieces, of returned Business Reply Mail (BRM). An adjustment may occur if there is an error in the number of pieces scanned.

Net CRM: The total number of returned Courtesy Reply Mail (CRM) pieces as of the current date, after adjustments.

Net BRM: The total number of returned Business Reply Mail (BRM) pieces as of the current date, after adjustments.

Credit Amount for CRM: The total award amount earned from the adjusted volume of returned Courtesy Reply Mail (CRM) pieces as of the current date.

Credit Amount for BRM: The total award amount earned from the adjusted volume of returned Business Reply Mail (BRM) pieces as of the current date.

Action Buttons:

I Agree: Click on I agree, if you agree with the volume and credit received.

I Disagree: Click on I disagree, if there are discrepancies that can be validated by the mailer. Please enter valid reason and appropriate documentation via program assistance so that the program office can review and resolve your discrepancy.

Permit Balance

The top section of the Permit Balance report, the Permit Balance Summary, displays a high-level view of your credit usage by mail class. Information is refreshed nightly to reflect data updates from the previous day.

This view lets you track the history of your credit's usage. It provides high-level information such as the amount of credit used per mail class, the number of postage statements per mail class on which the credit was used, and the remaining credit balance. Refer to Figure 30.

As a mailer, you can see how your earned credit gets used as you claim the incentive by populating the promotion code in your eDoc submissions.

Company Name	Permit Number	Permit Type	Finance Number	First Class			Standard Mail		Non-Profit			Date and Time Credit Released
				Credit Acquired	Credit Used	Number Of Postage Statements	Credit Used	Number Of Postage Statements	Credit Used	Number Of Postage Statements	Credit Balance	
Core Mailers	42	PI	517716	\$1,111.11	(\$50.20)	1	0	2	\$0.00	0	\$782.71	11/14/2013 13:44
Core Mailers	81	PI	517716	\$1,111.11	(\$1,111.11)	1	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	11/19/2013 8:34

Figure 30: Permit Balance Summary Table

Read the content that follows for a more complete description of the information displayed in the Earned Value Detail Report section.

Company Name: The company name associated to your primary affiliation location.

Permit Number, Permit Type, and Finance Number: These 3 data elements uniquely identify the permit account that you designated as the destination account for your earned credit.

Credit Acquired: The total amount of earned credit that was destined to the selected permit. This amount could proceed from multiple users and might not reflect exclusively the individual contribution of your registered Mailer IDs.

Credit Used: The amount of credit that has been used up by you, per mail class, as of the current date.

Number of Postage Statements: The number of postage statements, per mail class, on which the credit was used by you.

Credit Balance: The amount of credit remaining on the permit. It takes into account the amount used up by other users, when applicable.

Date and Time Released: The date and time of when the credit acquired was released to the system in charge of postage statement processing. It is then ready to be used.

The bottom section, the Permit Balance Detail, provides a detailed view of your credit usage broken down by each individual Postage Statement. It lets you track the history of your credit usage giving you detailed information such as the amount of credit used per postage statement, the date when it was used, and the Postage Statement Sequence Number. Refer to Figure 14.

Permit Balance Detail

Mailing Date	Postage Statement Seq Number	Mail Class	Total Adjusted Postage	Total Pieces	Incentive Amount
12/12/2012	5200438	SM	\$159,154.14	650,105	-\$5.98
12/12/2012	5200439	SM	\$70,805.94	300,109	-\$5.98
12/12/2012	5205457	SM	\$.40	1	-\$5.98
12/12/2012	5205475	FC	\$34.87	94	-\$5.98
12/12/2012	5205480	FC	\$34.87	94	-\$5.98
12/12/2012	5205695	FC	\$228.66	980	-\$5.98
12/12/2012	5224673	SM	\$1,078.64	5,474	-\$5.98
12/12/2012	5224720	SM	\$364.32	0	-\$5.98
12/12/2012	5224722	SM	\$160.43	0	-\$5.98
12/12/2012	5224733	SM	\$.84	4	-\$5.98

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Figure 31: Permit Balance Detail Table

Read the content that follows for a more complete description of the information displayed in the Earned Value Detail Report section.

Mailing Date: The date when a portion of, or all of the earned credit was used to pay for postage on the respective postage statement.

Postage Statement Seq. Number: The sequence number of the respective postage statement; a unique identifier that facilitates finding postage statement.

Mail Class: The mail class of the pieces associated to the respective postage statement.

Total Adjusted Postage: The remaining balance on the postage statement after the incentive amount has been subtracted from the original postage amount.

Total Pieces: The total number of pieces charged on the respective postage statement.

Incentive Amount: The portion of the earned credit used up to pay for the respective postage statement.

12 Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

1. What is a BSA and why is it required?

A Business Service Administrator (BSA) is the person authorized to control who can access a business service on behalf of your company. A BSA has power over all service and location combinations for which they are the BSA. You should only become the BSA for a service and location combination if you are elected by your company to perform this role.

2. What is a contingent BSA and when is it required?

Because Incentive Programs involve financial data, an extra approval layer has been added to protect your data. If there is no BSA for Incentive Programs, the BSA for Manage Mailing Activity must approve whoever requests to become the BSA for Incentive Programs. This approval must be provided for each of your company's locations. Once you become the BSA for Incentive Programs for a location you can approve or deny access to the service for that location.

Enrolling all of your business locations (CRIDs) for the Incentive Programs Service ensures that all of your permits are linked to the program and become enrolled.

When requesting access to Incentive Programs, the request will be pending until a BSA for Manage Mailing Activity approves your request for access. If there is no BSA for Manage Mailing Activity, upon requesting access to Incentive Programs you can become the BSA for Manage Mailing Activity. Your request for Incentive Programs will be approved automatically. Otherwise if you opt not to assume the BSA role, you will have to wait until the forthcoming Incentive Programs BSA approves your request.

3. For which locations should I become the BSA?

It is generally recommended that you become the BSA if no BSA exists for a service and location combination. You should become the BSA if you want to manage other user's access to the service for a particular location.

If a service requires BSA approval, there must be a BSA established for your company's mailing locations before members of your company can gain access to the service for those locations. Otherwise the request for the service will remain in "pending". After 25 days, if the BSA role is not filled, your request will automatically be purged, without notification.

4. How can I add a new location to Incentive Programs after I'm done with the enrollment process?

Complete section 1 of the enrollment guide: "Request Incentive Programs", making sure that you select the <Add Location> button in step 1.4.

If you are experiencing difficulties while adding a location, refer to section 2 (a) of the Troubleshooting document.

5. Where can I see the CRID of a location for which I requested a service?

Select the 'Request Status >>' link located at the top of the page. This displays a page that contains a table with a list of all the locations for which requests have been made. Find the location by identifying the exact address and then select the link under the 'Business Location' column for the corresponding row. This opens up a pop-up window that displays the CRID of the location.

6. *Where can I view my access to business services?*

Sign in to the Business Customer Gateway and select the 'Profile >>' link located at the top of the page. This page lists all the locations and their associated services.

7. *Where can I see the status of my requests to access Incentive Programs?*

To look up the status of the request for all your locations, select the 'Request Status >>' link located at the top of the page. This page lists all of your requests. Make sure that you are looking at locations for which the Service is "Incentive Programs".

8. *What is the difference between requesting access to incentive programs and requesting access to a specific incentive?*

Requesting access to incentive programs from the BCG determines who can access an incentive program on behalf of your company. Once access has been granted for the Incentive Programs service, you can select the incentive program and begin enrollment.

9. *Why is it recommended to enter the CRID of a location when trying to add the location to my profile?*

Entering the CRID in the CRID data input field ensures that you uniquely identify the business name and address combination for your company. Even with an identical address, if you use variations of a company name, such as "My Company" and "My Company Global Services", they may not be recognized as belonging to the same company by the address matching system. Entering the CRID circumvents this potential issue (opposed to entering address information in the address input fields).

13 Troubleshooting

1. **Step 1.1** Navigate to the BCG and sign in.

a. ***What is the Business Customer Gateway web address?***

<https://gateway.usps.com>

b. ***I can't sign in***

If you're unable to sign in, it is because you either don't have an account or you're entering the incorrect username/password combination.

If you have an account, click on the 'I forgot my password' link and follow the instructions to reset your password.

2. **Step 1.4** Add all your Business Locations

a. ***I don't know the CRID of the location that I want to add***

There are two reasons why you might not know the CRID of a location you're trying to add.

i. New Location

Your location will be a new location in our system. CRIDs are assigned by the USPS. Locations, which are not currently in our system, mean a CRID has not yet been assigned.

ii. Existing Location

All existing locations have been assigned a CRID. In this case, you may simply not know the CRID. Note: To see if a CRID exists, you can call the *PostalOne!* Customer Care Center at (800) 522-9085 or postalone@email.usps.gov.

For a New Location, select the 'Business Name and Address' radio button and enter the exact address of the location you wish to add.

For an Existing Location, if you remember the exact name of the company and the exact address of the location as it was initially enrolled, you can select the 'Business Name and Address' radio button and enter the required information. It is recommended that you use the CRID of a location when it has one. If you don't know how to find the CRIDs of locations refer to 7 (b) below.

For more information on why you should add all of your business locations, see (3) of the FAQ sheet.

For more information on why you should use the CRID of a location to add it, see (9) of the FAQ sheet.

3. **Step 1.6** Confirm your Selection

a. ***I don't know the CRID of the location I just added***

To look up the CRID of any location, sign in to the Business Customer Gateway and select the 'Request Status >>' link located at the top of the page to access the display a pop-up window that displays the CRID.

4. **Step 1.7** Request to be the BSA for Incentive Programs

a. *Of which locations should I become the Business Service Administrator (BSA) for Incentive Programs?*

Become the Incentive Programs BSA of a location if you are elected by your company to perform this role. The Incentive Programs BSA must approve all requests from other users to gain access to the service. As a result, there must be an Incentive Programs BSA for each location that you wish to register in the Incentive Programs service.

When requesting to become Incentive Programs BSA for a location, the request will be pending until the BSA for Manage Mailing Activity (MMA) for that location approves your request. If there is no BSA for Manage Mailing Activity, you can request this role. The request to become MMA BSA is approved automatically by the system when the role is vacant. If already pending, your request to become Incentive Programs BSA will be approved immediately by the system. Otherwise, if you are not to assume the Incentive Programs BSA role, you will have to wait until the Incentive Programs BSA approves your request.

5. Step 1.7.2 **Become the BSA for Manage Mailing Activity**

a. *Why could it be required?*

The Manage Mailing Activity BSA must approve all users' requests to become Incentive Programs BSA. This contingent approval was put into place in the form of a human decision that could have otherwise been an automatic approval by the system. This dependency helps prevent unauthorized users from accessing your mailing activity and permit information. For more information about Contingent BSA and Contingent BSA Approval, see number (2) on the FAQ sheet.

6. Step 2.3 **Repeat 1.4, 1.5 and 1.6 above**

a. *I don't remember which were the locations entered in 1.4 for which I requested to become the BSA for Incentive Programs*

To look up the status of any location, sign in to the Business Customer Gateway and select the 'Request Status >>' link located at the top of the page. This page lists all of your requests.

Find the locations with a status of "Pending External BSA" and select their name to access the pop-up window that contains the CRID.

b. *I don't know the CRIDs of some locations*

To look up the CRID of any location, sign in to the Business Customer Gateway and select the 'Request Status >>' link located at the top of the page. This displays a page with all of your requests. Find and select the location's name to access the pop-up window that contains the CRID.

c. *I don't know if I'm entering the exact addresses that were entered in 1.4*

Instead of entering addresses to add locations that were already entered in 1.4, it is recommended that you enter the CRIDs into the CRID input fields for existing locations. If you don't know how to find the CRIDs of locations refer to (b) directly above.

7. **Step 3.1 Select Incentive Programs under the Account Service category.**

Incentive programs are published in advance of the program start date to enable you to register before the start of the promotion

8. **Step 4 Enroll**

Program Registration Landing Page

a. *When I select an Incentive Program, the message “This program is not available for enrollment” is displayed. Why can’t I enroll?*

Not all Incentive Programs are available for enrollment for all customers. This indicates one of two things:

- i. The current date falls outside of the Incentive Program’s specified registration time period.
or
- ii. You are not eligible to enroll for the Incentive Program because you do not have an eligible or pre-qualified permit. Refer to the requirements and parameters in the program description.

If you believe neither of these is your case, contact the Program Office by using the Program Assistance tab.

Locations Page

b. *I thought I had enrolled a location for Incentive Programs in the BCG, but I don’t see it in the ‘Locations’ tab.*

The first step towards resolving this issue is to verify that you actually enrolled the location(s) to Incentive Programs. To do this, navigate to the Business Customer Gateway and sign in. To look up the status of any location, select the ‘Request Status >>’ link located at the top of the page. This displays a page with all of your requests. Make sure that your locations have a Status of “Approved” and that the Service is “Incentive Programs”.

If your Location’s Service is different from “Incentive Programs” you need to complete section 1 of the Enrollment Guide.

If your Location’s Status is “Pending BSA”, this means that the BSA for Incentive Programs for your location needs to approve your request to have the location added to Incentive Programs.

If your Location’s Status is “Pending External BSA” you need to complete section 1.7.2 of the Enrollment Guide.

14 Enrollment Scenarios

Program Dates	Start Date	End Date	Description
Registration Period for Mail Owners (MOs)	02/15/2014	03/31/2014	Mail owners will need to complete enrollment in the earned value promotion by 03/31/2014 . Mail owners will be unable to participate in this incentive after this date.
Registration Period for Mail Service Providers(MSPs)	02/15/2014	03/31/2014	Mail service providers (MSPs) will be able to enroll in the earned value promotion starting 02/15/2014 . The last day to complete enrollment is 03/31/2014 . MSPs will be unable to participate in this incentive after this date.
Award Period (Tracking Period)			The program office will be tracking and calculating MO and MSP credits for their Business Reply and Customer Reply mail pieces during this period.
Mailer Agreement Period			MSPs and mail owners will have to finalize their permit selection as well as the credit that they have accrued by clicking on <I Agree> on the payment accounts and my activity report tabs.
Award Claim Period			Once the award claim period starts mail owners and MSPs will no longer be able to modify the permit they selected. It is only on or after the award claim period start date that mail owners and MSPs will be able to use all, or a portion of the credit they have accrued for the earned value promotion.

Scenario 1: Mailer owner enrolls and selects their eligible permit to receive a discount.

Enrollment Steps	Description
Additional Contract Information	This tab allows mailer owners to enter and save their alternative contact information. Mail owners are required to enter their country, name, address, city, state, zip, phone number and e-mail address in order to complete this task.
Locations	The Locations tab allows mail owners to review their participating mailing locations. Mail owners must verify the accuracy of the displayed locations and select the <I Agree> button to complete this task.
Mailer IDs	The Mailer IDs tab will become available once the Locations tab has been completed. It allows mail owners to review their participating mailer IDs. Mail owners must verify the accuracy and completeness of the mailer IDs and select the <I Agree> button to complete this task.
Payment Accounts	The Payment Accounts tab allows mail owners to review their permits that are registered to their business locations. Mail owners will be able to change their permit selection until the end of the mailer agreement period. If mail owners would like their credit to be routed to their MSP permit refer to scenario 2.
Certification	The Certification tab becomes available once the preceding steps have been completed. Mail owners must agree to the Certification Agreement by selecting the <I Agree> button to complete this final enrollment step. Upon agreeing, mail owners are enrolled into the Incentive Program. Mail owners will know that they are fully enrolled when they see the Enrollment Status change to "Enrolled".
Activity Report	The activity report provides mail owners with the ability to track their courtesy reply mail and business reply mail volumes as well as the credit accrued between the award period start and end date. Mail owners must click on <I Agree> by the end of the mailer agreement period so that they can receive the credit. The credit will be routed to the permit they selected in the payment accounts tab. No further action is required.
Permit Balance	This view enables mail owners to track the history of their credit usage by mailing date and mail class.

Scenario 2: Mailer owner enrolls in the earned value promotion and selects their MSP's Permit to receive credit. This functionality will be available for new and existing users on 02/11/2013.

Enrollment Steps	Description
Additional Contract Information	This tab allows mailer owners to enter and save their alternative contact information. Mail owners are required to enter their country, name, address, city, state, zip, phone number and e-mail address in order to complete this task.
Locations	The Locations tab allows mail owners to review their participating mailing locations. Mail owners must verify the accuracy of the displayed locations and select the <I Agree> button to complete this task.
Mailer IDS	The Mailer IDs tab will become available once the Locations tab has been completed. It allows mail owners to review their participating mailer IDs. Mail owners must verify the accuracy and completeness of the mailer IDs and select the <I Agree> button to complete this task.
Payment Accounts	The Payment Accounts tab allows mail owners to review the permits that are associated to their registered business locations. Mail owners will be able to change their permit selection until the end of the mailer agreement period. Starting 02/11/2013 , mail owners will be given the option to search and save their MSP permit. This functionality will enable mail owners to route the credit they received for their mailings to the MSP permit. Please verify the accuracy and completeness of the permits and select the one that you want to use as your credit destination account. Once the mail owners have made their selection, they must click on the <I Agree> button to complete this task.
Certification	The Certification tab becomes available once the preceding steps have been completed. Mail owners must agree to the Certification Agreement by selecting the <I Agree> button to complete this final enrollment step. Upon agreeing, mail owners are enrolled into the Incentive Program. Mail owners will know that they are fully enrolled when they see the Enrollment Status change to "Enrolled".
Activity Report	The activity report provides mail owners with the ability to track your courtesy reply mail and business reply mail volumes as well as the credit accrued between the award period start and end date. Mail owners must click on <I Agree> by the end of the mailer agreement period so that they can receive the credit. The credit will be routed to the permit they selected in the payment accounts tab. No further action is required.
Permit Balance	Mail owners, will be unable to view the permit balance report since they have selected a permit outside their profile.

Scenario 3: Mail service provider enrolls in the earned value promotion and selects their own permit. Mail service providers will be able to enroll in the earned value incentive starting 02/11/2013.

Enrollment Steps	Description
Additional Contract Information	This tab allows MSP's to enter and save their alternative contact information. MSP's are required to enter their country, name, address, city, state, zip, phone number and e-mail address in order to complete this task.
Locations	The Locations tab allows MSP's to review their participating mailing locations. MSP's must verify the accuracy of the displayed locations and select the <I Agree> button to complete this task. Please refer to the user guide if you would like to associate new locations after you agree to the locations presented to you.
Mailer IDS	The Mailer IDs tab will only become available once the Locations tab has been completed. It allows MSP's to review their participating mailer IDs. MSP's must verify the accuracy and completeness of the mailer IDs and select the <I Agree> button to complete this task. Please refer to the user guide if a Mailer ID is added to one your participating CRIDs after you have agreed to the list presented in the Mailer ID tab.
Permit Accounts	The Permit Accounts tab allows MSP's to review the permits that are associated to their registered business locations. MSP's will be able to change their permit selection until the end of the mailer agreement period .MSP's must verify the accuracy and completeness of the permits and select the one that they want to use as their credit destination account. Once the MSP's have finalized their selection, click on the <I Agree> button to complete this task.
Certification	The Certification tab becomes available once the preceding steps have been completed. MSP's must agree to the Certification Agreement by selecting the <I Agree> button to complete this final enrollment step. Upon agreeing, MSP's are enrolled into the Incentive Program. MSP's will know that they are fully enrolled when they see the Enrollment Status change to "Enrolled".
Activity Report	The activity report provides MSP's with the ability to track their courtesy reply mail and business reply mail volumes as well as the credit accrued between the award period start and end date. MSP's must click on <I Agree> by the end of the mailer agreement period so that they can receive the credit. The credit will be routed to the permit they selected in the payment accounts tab. No further action is required.
Permit Balance	This view lets you track the history of your credit's usage by mailing date and mail class.

Scenario 4: Mail service provider enrolls in the earned value promotion and selects their client's permit. This functionality will available on July 14th, 2013.

Enrollment Steps	Description
Additional Contract Information	This tab allows MSP's to enter and save their alternative contact information. MSP's are required to enter their country, name, address, city, state, zip, phone number and e-mail address in order to complete this task.
Locations	The Locations tab allows MSP's to review their participating mailing locations. MSP's must verify the accuracy of the displayed locations and select the <I Agree> button to complete this task. Please refer to the user guide if you would like to associate new locations after you agree to the locations presented to you.
Mailer IDS	The Mailer IDs tab will only become available once the Locations tab has been completed. It allows MSP's to review their participating mailer IDs. MSP's must verify the accuracy and completeness of the mailer IDs and select the <I Agree> button to complete this task. Please refer to the user guide if a Mailer ID is added to one your participating CRIDs after you have agreed to the list presented in the Mailer ID tab.
Permit Accounts	The Permit Accounts tab allows MSP's to review the permits that are associated to their registered business locations. MSP's will be able to change their permit selection until the end of the mailer agreement period. The Postal Service has scheduled a system change for July 14, 2013 that will allow MSP's to go into Program Registration and change the permit to that of your client. MSP's must verify the accuracy and completeness of the permits and select the one that you want to use as your credit destination account. Once the MSP's have finalized their selection, click on the <I Agree> button to complete this task.
Certification	The Certification tab becomes available once the preceding steps have been completed. MSP's must agree to the Certification Agreement by selecting the <I Agree> button to complete this final enrollment step. Upon agreeing, MSP's are enrolled into the Incentive Program. MSP's will know that they are fully enrolled when they see the Enrollment Status change to "Enrolled".
Activity Report	The activity report provides MSP's with the ability to track their courtesy reply mail and business reply mail volumes as well as the credit accrued between the award period start and end date. MSP's must click on <I Agree> by the end of the mailer agreement period so that they can receive the credit. The credit will be routed to the permit they selected in the payment accounts tab. No further action is required.
Permit Balance	MSP's will be unable to view the permit balance report if they have selected a permit outside their profile.