

PER/ZIP4 and LACSLink

In August of 2007 the United States Postal Service began requiring that all CASS Certified™ postal coding solutions perform LACS (Locatable Address Conversion System)^{Link} processing as part of CASS processing. PER/ZIP4 meets this requirement by utilizing the United States Postal Service's LACS^{Link} data and technology.

Since the mid 1980s, the Enhanced 911 emergency response system has required the conversion of rural route-style addresses to city-style street names across the country. E-911 automatically associates a physical address with the telephone number from which an emergency call is made so that authorities can respond faster.

LACS^{Link} data and technology enables PER/ZIP4 to automatically update mailer's rural-style addresses with new, locatable city-style addresses in areas that are conducting E-911 emergency response address conversions. The LACS^{Link} data currently contains over five million converted addresses. The LACS^{Link} technology maintains the privacy and security of the data while allowing the access needed to convert outdated addresses.

LACS^{Link} processing is performed by all three PER/ZIP4 interfaces; Interactive, Callable Program (API), and Batch.

Interactive Interface

While using the PER/ZIP4 interactive interface, if LACS^{Link} processing results in the conversion of an address, the message **Address LACS-Link converted** will appear at the bottom of the screen.

Callable Program (API) Interface

While using the PER/ZIP4 callable program interface, if LACS^{Link} processing results in the conversion of an address, the converted (new) address will be returned and the informational code "LLK" will appear in the error code (ECOD##) field.

It is important to note that just like "ALT", "BNR", and "SLK"; "LLK" is an informational code and not a true error.

Batch Interface

While using the PER/ZIP4 batch interface, if LACS^{Link} processing results in the conversion of an address, the address will appear on the PER/ZIP4 Coding Report with the new "LLK" informational message. This message will appear for each address that is LACS^{Link} converted.

You will also see the new PER/ZIP4 LACS^{Link} Address Conversions Report. This report shows exactly which addresses in your file were changed as a result of LACS^{Link} processing. Below is an example of the PER/ZIP4 LACS^{Link} Address Conversions Report:

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11:34 AM
PZ4TESTLIB/TNMASTF/*FIRST/1
PER/ZIP4 - POSTAL CODING
LACS-LINK ADDRESS CONVERSIONS 11/07/05
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----- KEY # ----- ADDRESS ----- LAST LINE -----
70546 OLD 2501 EAST BYP COLLEGE STATION TX 77845 6015
NEW 2501 EARL RUDDER FWY S COLLEGE STATION TX 77845-6023
71080 OLD HC 5 BOX 140 LAMESA TX 79331 8814
NEW 415 W HIGHWAY 180 LAMESA TX 79331-3961
71117 OLD 1242 N 19TH ST ABILENE TX 79601 2316
NEW 1900 PINE ST ABILENE TX 79601-2432
71379 OLD 3825 YORK ST DENVER CO 80205 3594
NEW 3800 RACE ST DENVER CO 80205-3447
71807 OLD 1888 FREMONT DR SALT LAKE CITY UT 84104 4221
NEW 1910 FREMONT DR SALT LAKE CITY UT 84104-4222
73982 OLD 2950 JAMACHA RD EL CAJON CA 92019 4494
NEW 900 RANCHO SAN DIEGO PKWY EL CAJON CA 92019-4369
79204 OLD 118 WENDEL RD IRWIN PA 15642 4524
NEW 546 WENDEL RD IRWIN PA 15642-4582
79375 OLD 1350 FINANCIAL CTR DES MOINES IA 50309 3921
NEW 666 WALNUT ST STE 1350 DES MOINES IA 50309-3916
80089 OLD 500 RICHARDSON RD HOPE HULL AL 36043 4022
NEW 3800 RICHARDSON RD HOPE HULL AL 36043-4017
85 ADDRESSES LACS-LINK CONVERTED
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If you have questions regarding LACS^{Link} or PER/ZIP4's implementation of LACS^{Link}, please contact us by phone at 601-856-8337 or by email at Software@WorksRight.com.