



Title: III, Billings and Collections Manual

Chapter: 4, Administrative Billings and Collections (ABCO), Section 1, Internet Billing System (IBIL 3.0 Web-Based Version)

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To: Holders of the ABCO Procedure
USDA Fiscal Officers

In an effort to continue improving services to our users, the National Finance Center (NFC) is enhancing the Administrative Billings and Collections (ABCO) billing transaction process by implementing the Internet Billing System 3.0 (IBIL 3.0 Web-Based Version). IBIL 3.0 will be effective Friday, November 3, 2006.

System Enhancements

The following enhancements have been added to IBIL 3.0:

- On-line edits have been included to ensure that one USDA agency does not bill another USDA agency without valid accounting or reference data. Agencies processing billing must ensure that:
 - The Foundation Financial Information Systems (FFIS) obligation reference number is valid.
 - The obligation is sufficiently funded.
 - The obligation is setup with the correct vendor code or contract/agreement number for the billing agency.
- The IBIL Main Menu screen now contains a new selection option entitled *Modify List Selection/Sort Criteria*. This option displays the *List Criteria Setup Screen* which allows users to select and view a listing of bills for a specific agency. Users can select one or a combination of options based on a sort criteria.
- A limited dollar amount has been included for non-IPAC bills. Non-IPAC bills processed in IBIL must be greater than \$10.00. If a user attempts to process a bill for less than \$10.00, a system message will display.
- The functionality of the Debtor Accounting and Billing Accounting screens has been modified to include edits when processing accounting for the debtor and billing records. Users may select and change only one line of accounting at a time, and the record must be saved for the change to become effective and to be displayed.

- Increased accounting lines have been included for debtor and billing accounting. Additionally, an icon (pencil) has been included on the screens to assist in creating, deleting, and/or editing the line(s) of accounting that is being processed for the record.

Online Publications

The IBIL 3.0 procedure, which is available online at the NFC Web site, has been updated to include the information in this bulletin. To view and/or print this procedure, go to the NFC Home Page (www.nfc.usda.gov) and click the **Pubs & Forms** icon. At the Pubs & Forms page left-hand menu, click **List by Acronym/Name**, and search for the IBIL 3.0 procedure on the list provided.

Please refer questions about ABCO and/or IBIL processing to the Government Debt and Insurance Services Branch at **504-255-3344** .



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