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This forum is used to inform you of changes and enhancements we've made to our Reinsurance Administration System as we continue to improve the processing of R² - *The Reinsurance Resolution*.

User Group Meeting 2010

✿ The invitations for this year's User Group meeting have been sent out. If you did not receive one, please check our website - all information is listed on the User Group page. This year's meeting will be held at the Hotel Metro, Wednesday - Friday, July 21st - 23rd. Please register online (www.qsi-r2.com/usergroupregister) or by faxing back the registration page by May 31st, 2010.



Did You Know?

✿ In order to process a cession type change from Facultative to Automatic, it is required that you use a manual override of M (and a change date). Failure to code the manual override will result in the policy's cession remaining as facultative. If you use Other Treaty Selection criteria, make sure that they are also coded on the extract when you add the manual override, so that the allocation to the treaties remains correct.

✿ In an effort to help you de-clutter the Out directory in your processing area, QSVL10p has been updated to make use of the Out\History directory when performing audits. (Please see the Transaction History Search article for more information on this directory.)

Transaction History Search

R² now is now able to provide a Transaction History Search feature. This search method will allow the user to search for a single policy at a time through all transaction databases loaded in a company area. It will display information regarding when the policy was processed and what the allocations and premiums were during the processing period.

Since the program will search through the transaction databases, the user will have to have all the databases they want searched loaded in the company area's Out directory. Since this could clutter up the Out directory with many unwanted files for monthly processing, the program will search through both the Out directory and a new subdirectory called History (XX\Out\History) for any R²TX mm yy.qsi file previously produced during a billing run. The use of the subdirectory allows the user to keep older transaction databases ready for searches without obscuring results for current processing periods.

The program can be set to "print" information in several ways. Information can be written to a text file, or sent straight to the default printer associated with your computer. -P added to the command line will always send the information to the printer. -Q added to the command line will prompt the user to decide if he wants output sent to the printer or to a text file. No additional parameters will result in sending the information

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straight to a text file. The text file (if used) will be named `qsvl20.iii.txt` and can be found in the Out directory. The file will be overwritten every time the program is initiated by the same user, unless you tell it to append. The user does have the option to name the file as something else before it is created if they do not want to use the default name.

Once the program has found the information pertaining to the policy, it will not be printed (whether to the text file or directly to the printer) unless the user specifies it by pushing the Print button within the History Search program. Once printed, each policy will print on its own separate piece of paper (so policy ABC123 will not run together with policy DEF456). If one chooses not to print directly to the printer, but instead wishes to put together a text file of information and then print, the user will need to print from a text editor. To avoid text wrapping, it is recommended that your text editor have the page set to print landscape, that the left and right margins be set to .5 inches or less, and that you use Courier New font, size 9.

An example of the on-screen display is shown below:

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Policy Number  Seq Plan Code  Policy Date  ----- NAME: Last, First ----- MI -Desc- YSU Age  -Table-  Birth Date
1234567777    000 SING100    16-Sep-1986  WILLIAMS, WILLIAM                JR      0 29 1000.0  2-Aug-1957

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RunDate -ST- - Benefit- Change Date Dur Age Rating SxSmCl
09/2007  1  SING100    16-Sep-2007  22 29 1000.0 M A S
CO Ceded Face  Ceded AAR  A/F Tx/Cd TreatyKey - Paid To - -Std Prem- -StdAllow- -Sub Prem- -SubAllow- -- Other-- -TotalNet-
XX  100,000    100,000  A  RL RL  SNG00XX01 16-Sep-2008  800.00  132.00  0.00  0.00  0.00  668.00

RunDate -ST- - Benefit- Change Date Dur Age Rating SxSmCl
09/2007  1  SING100WP  16-Sep-2007  22 29 1000.0 M A S
CO Ceded Face  Ceded AAR  A/F Tx/Cd TreatyKey - Paid To - -Std Prem- -StdAllow- -Sub Prem- -SubAllow- -- Other-- -TotalNet-
XX  100,000    100,000  A  RL RL  SNG00XX01 16-Sep-2008  66.00  10.89  0.00  0.00  0.00  55.11

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RunDate -ST- - Benefit- Change Date Dur Age Rating SxSmCl
09/2008  1  SING100    16-Sep-2008  23 29 1000.0 M A S
CO Ceded Face  Ceded AAR  A/F Tx/Cd TreatyKey - Paid To - -Std Prem- -StdAllow- -Sub Prem- -SubAllow- -- Other-- -TotalNet-
XX  100,000    100,000  A  RL RL  SNG00XX01 16-Sep-2009  876.00  144.54  0.00  0.00  0.00  731.46

RunDate -ST- - Benefit- Change Date Dur Age Rating SxSmCl
09/2008  1  SING100WP  16-Sep-2008  23 29 1000.0 M A S
CO Ceded Face  Ceded AAR  A/F Tx/Cd TreatyKey - Paid To - -Std Prem- -StdAllow- -Sub Prem- -SubAllow- -- Other-- -TotalNet-
XX  100,000    100,000  A  RL RL  SNG00XX01 16-Sep-2009  94.00  15.51  0.00  0.00  0.00  78.49
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The first line set will include information on the insured - the policy number and sequence, plan code, policy date, name, years since underwriting, table rating for the insured, and birth date.

The second line set will show you the processing period that the transaction being displayed is from, the status for processing, plan code, effective date of change/transaction, duration, age, rating, class, sex, and smoke for the billable record.

The third line set will display allocation and premium information. There will be one line for each reinsurer allocation showing the ceded face and ceded AAR. The cession type, main transaction code for processing and category, as well as the reinsurer's treaty key and paid-to-date will be shown next. Lastly, the premiums and allowances for the transaction will be displayed (due to space limitations, premiums and allowances have been grouped together as one would see them on the billing reports).

The second and third line sets will continue to display with updated information from each transaction database that contains a transaction for this policy. In the case of a policy sequence, the second and third line sets will be grouped together, and then the first line set will appear again with the sequence indicator and insured information changed, followed by the second and third line sets. *

We would be delighted to answer any questions you might have. If you would like a back issue of Q² please check our website at www.qsi-r2.com and visit the Documentation page. The main topics of past issues were:

For previous issue information, please see our website.

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The current version of the Electronic Output Viewing Package is 02f.2.



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