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**REQUIREMENTS DEFINITION**  
**Bulk Data Dissemination**  
**New Case Download**

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**Detailed Functional Description**

The process will collect all new case information each day from bankruptcy CM/ECF courts plus any changes, additions, or docket entries from the previous week. Each day a process will extract all cases opened within the last seven day period. The process will produce an XML file for each case that includes:

- (1) Case header information—normally submitted during case opening.
- (2) Party information—normally submitted during case opening.
- (3) Docket entries.

The process which creates the download file will be included in the courts' nightly job stream. Courts will run the new case extraction after midnight. The process will extract new cases opened during the period 12:00:00 am to 11:59:00 pm yesterday; and cases opened during the six previous days which have had changes, additions, or docket entries.

The download case records will be cumulative over the seven-day period beginning with case opening, so that when a replacement record is provided it includes all the case opening, docket entries, and changed information; and this record could replace the corresponding earlier case record.

The process will create a zip-compressed XML data file that will be available for a 14-day period. The files can be downloaded by any user with a valid PACER account. Users will be charged the equivalent of one page per row of data in the download file.

A total of 14 files will always be available for downloading. Each day the newest file will replace the oldest one. Files older than 14 days will be deleted from the system.

**CM/ECF Interface.** The bulk data download option will be available via a new menu item on the standard menu available to PACER users (under Reports).

**Frequency of Performance of the Function** - The court nightly process runs as described above. PACER users will download the file on an ad hoc basis.

## **Reports, Queries, Forms, Notices, or Other Outputs**

### **a. Search/Selection Criteria.**

The New Case File will contain one complete record per new case for bankruptcy type cases. Cases of type AP or MP are not included.

### **b. Information Included.**

The New Case File is required for each bankruptcy court's CM/ECF system each day, seven days a week. The proposed file naming convention is as follows :

NCcourt\_id-MMDDYYYY.xml  
Ex. NC1111-03202003.xml

## **Sorting Options**

The output file will be sorted in case number order.

## **Constraints**

The process should run after midnight. If the process were to run before midnight, then it would extract data for the previous day, and then the overnight download would pull records that were over 24 hours old.

## **Cost**

The cost of the data file will be one page per record.

**Appendix A – Proposed File Format/Data Dictionary.**

The table has five columns.

Column 1. Reference #. This is included only as a row number for this table. Since the file will be an XML file, it will be variable in format.

Column 2. Data Item Name. This is the field/column description.

Column 3. CM/ECF Name.

Column 4. CM/ECF Report Name. This is the report that the data item is currently captured by.

Column 5. Notes. Includes some sample data values.

#	Data Item Name	CM/ECF Name	CM/ECF Report	Notes
1	<b>CASE INFORMATION</b>			
2	Case record ID	cs_caseid	n/a	Unique key value for case record. Equals value for de_caseid, the first field in the dktentry record
3	Case number	cs_case_number	Dkt Activity	e.g., '80-12345-JMG'.
4	Title	cs_short_title	Dkt Activity	e.g., 'Tom C. Jones, Sr. and Julia Patricia Smith'.
5	Closed (not a date)	cs_closed	Dkt Activity	'y' if closed (cs_date_term is included as item 14)
6	Office code	cs_office	Dkt Activity	e.g., '1'.
7	Chapter	cs_chapter	Dkt Activity	e.g., '11'.
8	Filed jointly	cs_joint	None	e.g., 'Y'.
9	Type	cs_type	Dkt Activity	e.g., 'bk'. Value will always be 'b' because program filters out non-bk cases.
10	Fee status	cs_fee_status	Case	e.g., 'Paid'. (p=paid, i=installments).
11	Previous chapter	cs_prev_chapter	Docket	e.g., '13'.
12	Voluntary	cs_vol_invol	Docket	Voluntary (v) or involuntary (i).
13	Date filed	cs_date_filed	Docket	This is the date the case was filed (do not confuse with docket entry date).
14	Date terminated	cs_date_term	Docket	e.g., '12/13/2002'. Item # 4 is 'y' if case is closed.
14	Date dismissed	cs_date_dismiss	Docket	e.g., '12/13/2002'.
15	Date discharged	cs_date_discharge	Docket	e.g., '12/13/2002'.
16	Asset notice	bk_asset_notice,	Case	e.g., 'Yes'. from bksard table
17	County name	cs_county points to literal value in codes table	Case	e.g., 'San Diego'. Where case was filed

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18	Top of Page Note in Docket Report	cf_value from case_flags table	Docket	Case Flag displayed on the docket report.
19	Office name	co_translation value in codes table record for which co_code = cs_office	Case	e.g., 'San Diego' (translation of value # 4). From the codes table.
20	Disposition	cs_disp_method	Case	e.g., 'Case Dismissed' or 'Case Closed'. Use codes table, entry of type "dispbk".
21	Bar Date	sd_dtset field in schedule record	n/a	This is the proof of claims deadline. The value is stored in a schedule record with value 'pclm' for the field sd_type. The deadline date is in the sd_dtset field in the schedule record.
22	Government Bar Date	sd_dtset field in schedule record	n/a	This is the government proof of claims date. This value will be retrieved from the schedule record in a similar method as Bar Date.
23	<b>DOCKET ENTRIES</b>			
24	Document sequence number	de_seqno	n/a	Generated number that in combination with de_caseid (value is the same as cs_caseid) provides a unique key for the dktentry record.
25	Document number	de_document_number	Docket	Sequentially generated number
26	Docket entry filed date	de_date_filed	Docket	Date docket entry filed in court.
27	Docket text	dt_text	Docket	Docket text.
28	<b>PARTY INFORMATION</b>			
29	Judge middle name	jd_middle_name	Docket	e.g., 'W'.
30	Judge first name	jd_first_name	Docket	e.g., 'James'.
31	Judge last name	jd_last_name	Docket	1
32	Debtor1 Last Name	py_last_name	Docket	py_role = "db" ro_description = "debtor" debtor 1 is distinguished from debtor 2 by the value of py_seqno
33	Debtor1 Middle Name	py_middle_name	Docket	
34	Debtor1 First Name	py_first_name	Docket	
35	Debtor1 generation	py_generation	None	
36	Debtor1 taxid	py_taxid	Docket	only last four
37	Debtor1 ssn	py_ssn	Docket	only last four
38	Debtor1 addr1	py_address1	Docket	

#	Data Item Name	CM/ECF Name	CM/ECF Report	Notes
39	Debtor1 addr2	py_address2	Docket	
40	Debtor1 addr3	py_address3	Docket	
41	Debtor1 city	py_city	Docket	
42	Debtor1 state	py_state	Docket	
43	Debtor1 zip	py_zip	Docket	
44	Debtor1 country	py_country	Docket	
45	Debtor 1 phone no	py_phoneno	Docket	
46	Debtor 1 fax_phone	py_fax_phone	Docket	
47	Debtor 1 e_mail	py_e_mail	Docket	
48	Debtor 1 pro se	py_prose	Docket	"y" if party is representing himself/herself
49	Debtor 1 aka 1 last name	py_last_name	Docket	py_alias_type = aka same py_seqno as debtor's real name py_aliasseq > 0
50	Debtor 1 aka 1 middle name	py_middle_name	Docket	
51	Debtor 1 aka 1 first name	py_first_name	Docket	
52	Debtor 1 aka 1 generation	py_generation	Docket	
53	<b>NOTE: All debtor 1 and debtor 2 aka's on file will be included in the XML file</b>			
54	Rep1 Last Name	at_last_name	Docket	Attorney representing the first debtor, information drawn from the attorney table where at_party_seqno = second debtor's py_seqno.
55	Rep1 Middle Name	at_middle_name	Docket	
56	Rep1 First Name	at_first_name	Docket	
57	Rep1 generation	at_generation	None	
58	Rep1 Office	at_office	Docket	
59	Rep1 addr1	at_address1	Docket	
60	Rep1 addr2	at_address2	Docket	
61	Rep1 addr3	at_address3	Docket	
62	Rep1 city	at_city	Docket	
63	Rep1 state	at_state	Docket	
64	Rep1 zip	at_zip	Docket	
65	Rep1 country	at_country	Docket	
66	Rep1 phone	at_phoneno	Docket	
67	Rep1 fax	at_fax_phone	Docket	
68	Rep1 email	at_e_mail	Docket	
69	Dbtr2 Last Name	py_last_name	Docket	debtor 2 is distinguished from debtor 1 by the value of py_seqno. Ro_description = "debtor" or "joint debtor"
70	Dbtr2 Middle Name	py_middle_name	Docket	
71	Dbtr2 First Name	py_first_name	Docket	

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72	Dbtr2 generation	py_generation	None	
73	Dbtr2 taxid	py_taxid	Docket	
74	Dbtr2 ssn	py_ssn	Docket	only last four
75	Dbtr2 addr1	py_address1	Docket	only last four
76	Dbtr2 addr2	py_address2	Docket	
77	Dbtr2 addr3	py_address3	Docket	
78	Dbtr2 city	py_city	Docket	
79	Dbtr2 state	py_state	Docket	
80	Dbtr2 zip	py_zip	Docket	
81	Dbtr2 country	py_country	Docket	
82	Dbtr2 phone	py_phoneno	Docket	
83	Dbtr2 fax	py_fax_phone	Docket	
84	Dbtr2 email	py_e_mail	Docket	
85	Debtor 2 pro se	py_prose	Docket	"y" if party is representing himself/herself
86	Debtor 2 aka 1 last name	py_last_name	Docket	py_alias_type = aka same py_seqno as 2 <sup>nd</sup> debtor's real name py_aliasseq > 0
87	Debtor 2 aka 1 middle name	py_middle_name	Docket	
88	Debtor 2 aka 1 first name	py_first_name	Docket	
89	Debtor 2 aka 1 generation	py_generation	None	
90	<b>NOTE: All debtor 1 and debtor 2 aka's on file will be included in the XML file</b>			
91	Rep2 Last Name	at_last_name	Docket	Attorney representing the second debtor, information drawn from the attorney table where at_party_seqno = second debtor's py_seqno.
92	Rep2 Middle Name	at_middle_name	Docket	
93	Rep2 First Name	at_first_name	Docket	
94	Rep2 generation	at_generation	Docket	
95	Rep2 Office	at_office	Docket	
96	Rep2 addr1	at_address1	Docket	
97	Rep2 addr2	at_address2	Docket	
98	Rep2 addr3	at_address3	Docket	
99	Rep2 city	at_city	Docket	
100	Rep2 state	at_state	Docket	
101	Rep2 zip	at_zip	Docket	
102	Rep2 country	at_country	Docket	
103	Rep2 phone	at_phoneno	Docket	
104	Rep2 fax	at_fax_phone	Docket	
105	Rep2 email	at_e_mail	Docket	
106	Trustee Last Name	py_last_name	Docket	Py_role = tr in party table Ro_description = Trustee

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107	Trustee Middle Name	py_middle_name	Docket	
108	Trustee First Name	py_first_name	Docket	
109	Trustee generation	py_generation	None	
110	Trustee addr1	py_address1	Docket	
111	Trustee addr2	py_address2	Docket	
112	Trustee addr3	py_address3	Docket	
113	Trustee city	py_city	Docket	
114	Trustee state	py_state	Docket	
115	Trustee zip	py_zip	Docket	
116	Trustee country	py_country	Docket	
117	Trustee phone	py_phoneno	Docket	
118	Trustee fax	py_fax_phone	Docket	
119	Trustee email	py_e_mail	Docket	
120	US Tr Last Name	py_last_name	Docket	Py_role = ust in party table Ro_description = U.S. Trustee
121	US Tr Middle Name	py_middle_name	Docket	
122	US Tr First Name	py_first_name	Docket	
123	US Tr generation	py_generation	None	
124	US Tr addr1	py_address1	Docket	
125	US Tr addr2	py_address2	Docket	
126	US Tr addr3	py_address3	Docket	
127	US Tr city	py_city	Docket	
128	US Tr state	py_state	Docket	
129	US Tr zip	py_zip	Docket	
130	US Tr country	py_country	Docket	Assumed to be "USA" unless not entered.
131	US Tr phone	py_phoneno	Docket	
132	US Tr fax	py_fax_phone	Docket	
145	US Tr email	py_e_mail	Docket	
146	341 meeting--The time set for the 341 meeting.	sd_tmset	n/a	The date and time for the 341 meeting are taken from a schedule record for which sd_caseid matches the caseid, and sd_type = '341mtg'
147	341 meeting--Designates whether the time recorded in sd_tmset is "AM" or "PM"	sd_tmset_am_pm	n/a	
148	341 meeting--The date set for the 341 meeting.	sd_dtset	n/a	