

HPMS E-Mail

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Subject: Bid Pricing Tool (BPT) for Contract Year (CY) 2017 Update

E-mail text:

A new version (v2) of the BPT add-in file has been released to correct an error that may occur in the bid unload/BUNT process when there is a divide by zero result in a BPT cell. This new add-in file WILL NOT change any values in your finalized BPTs and is only correcting an error in the bid unload/BUNT process.

HPMS will accept use of version 1 (v1) of the BPT add-in for plans that do not have a divide by zero result in a BPT cell. HPMS will accept use of the v2 add-in file for all plans.

Plan sponsors can download the new add-in file from the following path in HPMS: HPMS Home > Plan Bids > Bid Submission > CY 2017 > Download > Bid Software> BPT Add In & Spreadsheets

After download, the BPT2017.exe must be run and the resulting BPT2017.xlam file saved in the default C:\BPT\BPT2017\ directory. The new version of the BPT2017.xlam file must overwrite (and replace) the prior version. Following the add-in update, you will be prompted to update your BPT(s) to version 2 when you open any new or existing BPT workbook. The Batch Process Tool may be used to update the add-in for multiple BPTs at once. The BPT Technical Instructions contain additional information regarding updating the add-in file.

If you have any technical questions regarding installing the new add-in file, please contact the HPMS Help Desk hpms@cms.hhs.gov or 1-800-220-2028.