



## What is WBSCM?

WBSCM (Web Based Supply Chain Management System) will replace PCIMS (Processed Commodities Inventory Management System) and related commodity systems and will represent one integrated, scalable and collaborative system with a common database, design and process across all agencies.

## WBSCM Go-Live Date and Training Modifications

The WBSCM modernization project recently underwent a review by the Chief Information Officer of the Federal Government. Due to concerns raised by the Office of Management and Budget, as well as funding issues, **WBSCM will be implemented with limited functionality on June 30, 2010.**

The procurement activity carried out by the Farm Service Agency (FSA) on behalf of the Food Nutrition Service (FNS), Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) and U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) will continue to be carried out in our legacy systems without change. **The implementation of the procurement functions is expected to be in the October/November/December 2010 time frame.**

Based on these developments, **FSA is postponing all external instructor-led training for our business partners until we have a firmer timeline of the system implementation.** You will be advised when training is rescheduled. We will be making e-learning courses available and will be sharing where these can be accessed in the coming weeks. We appreciate your patience and cooperation.

## Identification of Organizational Administrators/User Administrators for all External Stakeholders

If you have not already done so, please identify the individual(s) within your company or organization who is responsible for authorizing WBSCM access, often referred to as the Organization Administrator or User Administrator. Please email the Organizational Administrators/User Administrators name and email address to [WBSCM@kcc.usda.gov](mailto:WBSCM@kcc.usda.gov).

## WBSCM Terminology

Some of the key terms used in WBSCM are defined in the following table.

WBSCM Term	Definition
<b>Organization</b>	Company, Branch office, Person or Group of persons in which a company has a business interest.
<b>Business Partners (BP)</b>	A SAP term which refers to a Company, Branch office, Person or Group of persons in which a company has a business interest. The system issues a unique BP Number for these entities.
<b>User(s)</b>	Entity created in WBSCM to enable access. Roles are assigned to a user master record which allows access to the SAP System.
<b>Role(s)</b>	Roles allow specific access and activities designed for the individual users per job description. Roles also allow or restrict access to business data.
<b>eAuthentication</b>	An eAuthentication account consists of a User ID, a password and a customer profile containing information about Users and provides single sign-on access directly to USDA WBSCM portal.

## WBSCM eAuthentication Registration

The eAuthentication, or eAuth, is a secured system used by USDA to enable customers to obtain accounts that will allow them to access USDA web applications and services via the Internet. Users will access the WBSCM system online through the Enterprise Portal (WBSCM web page) for a “single view” of the integrated WBSCM functionality.

To access the Enterprise Portal, users will need to set up an eAuth account. If you already have an eAuth account, either Level 1 or Level 2, **no further action is required**. If you do not have an eAuth account you will need to create one. All WBSCM users will only need to have a Level 1 access account to use the portal. Users with Level 2 access **do not need** to create an account with Level 1 access. Users will be able to create eAuth accounts after the limited Go-Live date of June 30, 2010.

To create an eAuth account, please follow this link and click “Level 1 Access” at the bottom of the Create an Account page: <http://www.eauth.egov.usda.gov/eauthCreateAccount.html>. Please disregard the information under the heading “If you are a customer (non USDA Federal Employee)” as all WBSCM users will only need to have Level 1 access. The following is a screen print of the USDA eAuthentication Create an Account home page.

USDA United States Department of Agriculture  
USDA eAuthentication

login :  
password :

Home | About eAuthentication | Help | Contact Us | Find an LRA

Quick Links

- What is an account?
- Create an account
- Update your account

Administrator Links

- Local Registration
- Authority Login

### Create an Account

**What Level of Access do you need?**

**If you are a USDA Federal Employee**, you should visit the **USDA Employee Create an Account** page to create a USDA eAuthentication Employee Account.

**If you are a customer (non USDA Federal Employee) of USDA**, you should answer the following questions to determine the type of account you will need:

Would you like to interact with the USDA doing the following?

- Conducting official electronic business transactions via the Internet?
- Entering into a contract with the USDA?
- Submitting forms electronically via the Internet with a USDA agency?

If you answered YES to 1 or more of the questions, you will need to register for an eAuthentication account with **Level 2 Access**.

If you already have an account with Level 1 Access, **log into your profile** and apply for Level 2 Access.

Would you like to interact with the USDA doing the following?

- Customizing a Web portal page for specific information about USDA agencies?
- Obtaining general information about a specific USDA agency?
- Participating in public surveys for a USDA agency?

If you answered YES to 1 or more of the questions, you will need to register for an eAuthentication account with **Level 1 Access**.

eAuthentication Home | USDA.gov | Site Map  
Accessibility Statement | Privacy Policy | Non-Discrimination Statement | www.FirstGov.gov

Once the WBSCM system is live (with limitations on June 30, 2010) and you have a user account set up, you will receive an email notification with a link to complete registration within the WBSCM portal. To access this link, you will need to be able to login with a valid eAuth username and password.

Note: The email address and last name used to register your eAuth account must match those used when your WBSCM portal account is created.

## WBSCM Minimum System Requirements

	Minimum Requirements	Notes
<b>Hardware</b>		
Processor	800MHz +	
Memory	512 MG +	
Hard Disk Drive	110 MB +	
Monitor Resolution	1024 x 768 16K colors or better	
<b>Software</b>		
Operating System	Microsoft Windows XP, Microsoft Windows 2000, or Microsoft Windows Vista	
Web Browser	Microsoft Internet Explorer 6.0 - Service Pack 2 or Microsoft Internet Explorer 7.0	<b><u>Important: WBSCM is not compatible with Internet Explorer 8.0.</u></b>
Adobe Flasher Player	Adobe Flash Player 8.0 or higher	Only needed for viewing uPerform simulations.
JavaScript Enabled	Yes	
Cookies Enabled	Yes	

- **For users who currently have Internet Explorer 8.0, the SAP Portal is not compatible with this version, you are advised to uninstall it and install Internet Explorer 7.0**
- Due to the Records Management requirement, Mac users can access WBSCM by visiting an Apple store to install Windows as a second operating system.
- The uPerform will work with a higher version of Adobe Flash Player. The latest version is 10.0.32.18. You can check the current version of Flash Player by going to <http://www.adobe.com/products/flash/about>. This page runs a version test that reports your currently installed version of Flash Player and lists the latest available version for the platform. At a minimum, you need to have Flash Player version 8. To install the latest version of Flash Player, visit <http://www.adobe.com/go/getflashplayer> and follow the directions.

### NEXT MONTH:

- E-Learning Training Information
- Training Schedule Updates

We would appreciate receiving your feedback! Please email your WBSCM questions or suggestions to: [WBSCM@kcc.usda.gov](mailto:WBSCM@kcc.usda.gov).