Pitney Bowes

DFWorks®
Postage Accounting and
Funds Management Module

Precise Tracking and Control of High-Volume Mailing Expenditures

Track information from your meters across your enterprise.

In today's business climate, companies need to tighten financial controls and ensure accurate reporting across the enterprise – including mailing operations.

Unfortunately, for high-volume mailers, collecting accurate information on postage usage for multiple time periods, jobs, machines, meters and production sites can take significant time and drain resources. That's because consolidating, balancing and reporting on such expenditures typically involves manual processes. With the "front-end" accounting tasks comes an additional "back-end" challenge to production: managing meter refills without job delays.

Automated and Self-Service Convenience through PostageByPhone.com

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The DFWorks® Postage Accounting and Funds Management Module can revolutionize the way you manage postage expenditures. It provides a set of online views and management tools to simplify and optimize postage-related management tasks – without costly production delays.

The system openly receives postage status messages in real time, while consolidating and storing it in a robust, scalable database for future reference. This system can help you:

- Simplify postage costing, account management and chargebacks over time, sites and jobs
- Replenish postage automatically without slowing production
- Transfer meter funds "just in time" for optimum cash flow
- Generate reports consistently with maximum accuracy

Simplify reconciliation with piece-level data

Like many postage information management systems, this system can capture and report on batch or transaction data. But what if you need information on specific mail pieces?

With our latest interface advances, Postage Accounting and Funds Management can take mailing jobs to the next level – piece-level, that is. That's good news for mail production facilities that run 24/7. The system consolidates postage data for defined units of time, while recognizing and resolving discrepancies automatically. This makes postage reconciliation fast and easy.

You can also extract fees, create surcharges and calculate chargebacks for accounts and mail run classes per mail piece and postage run.

Minimize costly downtime with automated meter refills

Imagine having just enough funds in your meters, all the time, to keep production running smoothly. You'd have fewer production delays and cash flow would be optimized. Now imagine having the time-saving ability to reset multiple meters with a single transaction.

This module makes it possible with these built-in features:

- **Automatic reset option –** Set up thresholds so meters get automatically replenished as needed
- **Low postage alerts –** Configure the system to issue "low postage" alert messages when meter balances go below your preset limits
- **Multiple meter resets option –** Reset one or multiple meters with the click of a button

Simplify cost analysis with Web-enabled reporting

Online reports over multiple units of time can be generated instantly (by minute, hour, daily, weekly, monthly or annually). They're available online for 24/7 viewing:

- Generate standard pre-defined reports
- Create custom user-defined reports with an optional data export tool that automatically exports selected fields
- Set up automatic recurring reports
- Save files as CSV, PDF, RTF or MHT compatible with most spreadsheet or database applications

The best part of all? You don't have to shut down data stations for information to be downloaded to the main server. So you don't have to stop production while you generate reports.

Fits in and grows with your enterprise

In the real world, document production sites are rarely alike and their output volumes may not stay constant. But Postage Accounting and Funds Management is the right fit for most. That's because it can be easily adapted to different configurations and equipment. You can even consolidate postage data from multiple production sites.

The system works smoothly in most environments, collecting and consolidating data from virtually any inserting system with a Pitney Bowes 6500 (R150) meter. It's compatible with DM500™, DM1000™, the new DM Infinity™ Series and Paragon® mailing machines. It also integrates with a number of non-Pitney Bowes meters.

Just show us your existing production environment, along with your future needs. We'll show you how the system can pull your postage data together and help you manage associated expenditures for virtually unlimited jobs, accounts, customers and cost centers.

A robust platform with built-in support

A Microsoft® Windows 2000 operating system and companion Microsoft® Windows server, along with an Oracle® database, keep Postage Accounting and Funds Management running with high efficiency. Additional features boost system reliability and repeatability to support high-volume production mail environments:

- Built-in fault tolerance software
- Automatic back-up feature
- Data redundancy and hardware failover
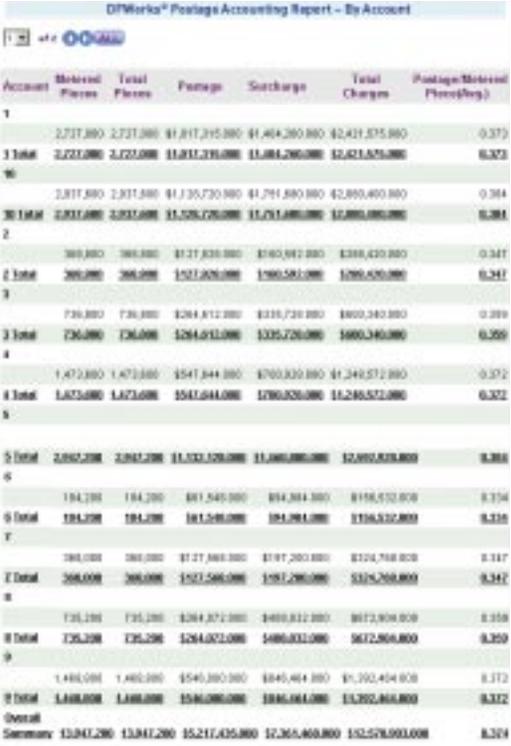
A DFWorks® Solution

Postage Accounting and Funds Management can run independently or be combined with additional modules offered in the DFWorks® suite of intelligent document factory solutions. These DFWorks® modules help businesses:
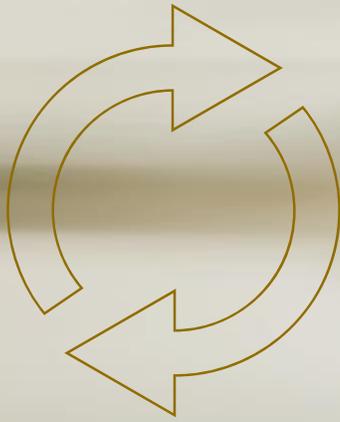
- **Provide visibility to mail pieces, including contents, to clients and line-of-business stakeholders**

- **Track jobs and workflow to achieve key deliverables, including service-level agreements**

- **Measure and manage productivity and quality to Six Sigma® practices**

- **View real-time mail piece status during production, compare historical information and generate reports**

- **Create reports and graphs on mail finishing equipment and labor**

- **Manage postage accounting, funds used in metering, and postal documentation associated with mailings**

View real-time meter status, including funds remaining in meter status screen

Sort postage data by time period, site, job, transaction, machine or operator – in summary or detail format – to generate the reports you need

A diverse portfolio of information management solutions from Pitney Bowes.

Pitney Bowes offers a number of mail accounting solutions to meet your specific needs and budget:

- **Budget Manager Information Management System for the DM Series™ Mailing Systems**

- **Ascent™ Multi Carrier Shipment Management Software**

- **Business Manager Enterprise-Wide Information Management Solution**

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