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1. Servicing Notice

ARC has a continued source of funding, therefore we will continue to provide services during the federal shutdown as needed, and allowed for by your agency. As always, please do not hesitate to contact your customer service representative should you have questions or need assistance related to our ongoing support.

2. Discoverer Decommission Planned for May 2019

The Discoverer Replacement Project Team would like to remind all Discoverer users, with the exception of U.S. Mint users, that Discoverer will be decommissioned in May 2019. Users are encouraged to begin using OBI to become more familiar with executing analyses and using dashboards. The full 'Discoverer Decommission Timeline' is available on the Customer Access Pages under Application Support/Manuals > OBI, or click the link below.
https://arc.fiscal.treasury.gov/files/pdf/fsagencydiscovererdecommissiontimeline.pdf.

For additional information, contact the Oracle Support Team at 304-480-8000 (Option 3) or OracleSupportTeam@Fiscal.Treasury.Gov.

3. OBI Online Training – Available Anytime

The Business Intelligence Group is pleased to announce that we have online OBI Training tutorials available on our Customer Access Page! Simply navigate to Application

Support/Manuals > OBI > Online Training. This training can be taken at your convenience. The tutorials listed below are currently available with more online tutorials in development. We will update users as new tutorials are made available.

  i. Logging In
  ii. Exporting Analyses
  iii. Viewer Dashboard
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  viii. OBI Plus – Criteria Tab Editing (NEW)
  ix. OBI Plus – Results Tab Editing (NEW)

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4. PRISM Requisition Refresher Training

We provide PRISM Requisition refresher training to assist our customers in their efforts to effectively transition newly hired staff and meet other potential training needs. This training is provided to our customers at no additional charge. We will conduct PRISM refresher training sessions January 14th and January 15th, 2019. All current PRISM users will receive information, via email, about how to sign up for the classes.

For additional information, contact PRISM Support at 304-480-8000 (Option 2) or PrismSupport Team@Fiscal.Treasury.Gov.

5. PRISM Buyer Refresher Training

We provide PRISM Buyer refresher training to assist our customers in their efforts to effectively transition newly hired staff and meet other potential training needs. This training is provided to our customers at no additional charge. We will conduct PRISM refresher training sessions January 16th and January 17th, 2019. All current PRISM users will receive information, via email, about how to sign up for the classes.

For additional information, contact PRISM Support at 304-480-8000 (Option 2) or PrismSupportTeam@Fiscal.Treasury.Gov.

6. FY19 Pricing Transparency

Our FY19 Pricing Transparency file is now finalized. This customer insight into budget and pricing detail was initiated a couple years ago. The new file continues the same format and compares 2018 vs 2019 data. Details include: direct and indirect budget, cost model methodology, direct FTE distribution, and ultimately pricing by each of our administrative services.

The presentation of data is provided via two tables. First, the budget table portrays budget detail by object class and direct labor breakdown. Second, the customer allocation and price tables then walk by customer those same budget dollars to customer prices. To assist with customer consumption, a reference guide and walkthrough is included at the start of the file.

Links to the Pricing Transparency can be found on the right side of our homepage under "Shortcuts" and within the "Quality & Value" section link from our homepage.

For additional information, contact your customer service representative.

7. Staffing/Classification Year-end Planning

To ensure onboarding new employees by the end of this Fiscal Year, we have established the following dates to assist you with planning of your upcoming recruitment activities.

Where are you in the process?	Submit your request no later than:
A new PD needs to be classified	Submit your classification request by **January 1, 2019**
I have a classified PD, but the Job Analysis/Assessment (JA/A) process needs to be completed	Submit your JA/A request by **March 1, 2019**
I have a classified PD and a current JA/A	Submit your request to recruit by **May 1, 2019**

We encourage your agency Supervisors and Managers to initiate any approved recruitment activities for FY 19 as soon as possible.

For additional information, contact the Staffing/Classification call center at 304-480-7300.

8. G-Invoicing Update

G-Invoicing is a web-based application created to efficiently manage Intragovernmental buy/sell agreements between two federal agencies. Government-wide all interagency agreements for buy/sell activity will be housed in this single repository via a standardized format within this application.

Mandated. The release of TFM Bulletin No. 2018-10 set forth mandated dates and required steps for G-Invoicing. There are two key requirements cited in the Bulletin: 1) the use of G-Invoicing is mandated by June 30, 2021, and 2) the submission of Agency Implementation Plans due by May 31, 2019.

We are here to help! If you haven't already, attend one of our information sharing and demo sessions. That is the first step in the implementation process. Our sessions will get you familiar with what services we will handle for your agency in relation to G-Invoicing, along with required elements for account set-up and a live view of G-Invoicing in action. Then, with follow-up collaboration, our customers will be poised to meet the mandated items.

What's next? We have set target due dates for actions from our customer agencies. Our schedule includes due dates for the account enrollment form, completed account structure, identified users enrolled and more. Our schedule will continue to evolve as updates are released for the G-Invoicing system.

For more information on GINV, including TFM references and Frequently Asked Questions, please reference the Fiscal Service GINV website.
https://www.fiscal.treasury.gov/fsservices/gov/acctg/g_invoice/g_invoice_home.htm

Note: There is a notice on the Fiscal Service website advertising GINV training with FRB St. Louis, in Crystal City, for the months of February and March. You do not need to register for this training. ARC will be providing your training.

For additional information and questions about G-Invoicing, ARC's demo times or ARC's implementation schedule email ARCGINV@Fiscal.Treasury.Gov.

9. SmartPay 3

The transition to SmartPay 3 (SP3) is delayed until February 24, 2019. Cardholders should continue to use their SmartPay 2 (SP2) cards until further notice. Issued SP3 cards should be stored in a secure location.

For additional information, contact Chanda Garrett at 304-480-5511 or Chanda.Garrett@Fiscal.Treasury.Gov.

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