# 21 December 2024
## PCR 260 – Product File Validation Tool – CSV Flat File Format

On Saturday, 21 December, AGIIS was enhanced to include a product file validation tool for the CSV Flat File Layout. Like the existing bulk CSV validation tool currently available in AGIIS, the product validation tool is now available from the Files menu in AGIIS.
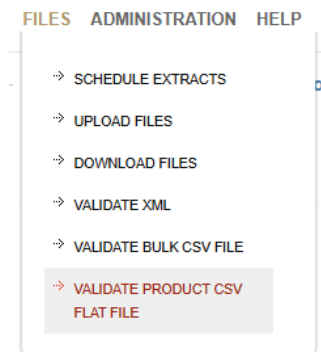
The Member Services team recognized that product files frequently failed to process upon their initial submission. Once a file fails, the subscriber must make corrections to the file and resubmit for it to be processed in the next batch cycle. Due to limited batch cycles, it can often take a day or two to finally submit a file without errors and have it process successfully. Having a validation tool will provide subscribers the opportunity to validate the file and have confidence it will process upon initial submission.
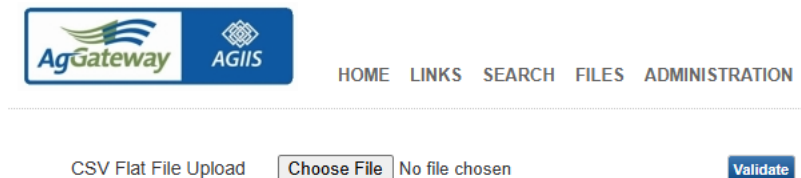
Product files can fail for several reasons, such as:
· missing required data elements
· having incorrect value types (alpha versus numeric)
· incorrect file or value length

The validation tool will check for each of these and provide the user an information message indicating if the file is in good order, or if there are any fields that are not passing validation.

To validate a product file in the CSV flat format, select Validate Product CSV Flat File from the Files menu at the top of the page (see screenshot below).



From the following screen, click the Choose File button to upload a file, then click the Validate button. The results for your file will show up on the screen.

## 9 November 2024
## PCR 258 – Submission Code Addition for Fuzzy Match Returns

On Saturday, 9 November, AGIIS was enhanced to include a new submission code that can be used when attempting to add a new entity in AGIIS. This submission code, 2014 (Add Fuzzy GLN), is being introduced to accommodate users that have previously attempted to add a new entity in AGIIS, but received a GLN in the return file as a fuzzy match instead.

Today, after reviewing the fuzzy match, the user determines that the entities are in fact unique and attempt to re-add their original entity, they continue to receive back the fuzzy match in their return file. The addition of this submission code will allow users to resubmit the entity and instead of receiving a fuzzy match return, the entity will routed to the Directory Administrator for review. This submission code is to only be used after first receiving a fuzzy match, and should never be used upon an initial submission.

When submitting a bulk CSV file, you can use the new submission code "2014". In submissions using XML, the command will be "Add Fuzzy GLN".

## 1 October 2024
## PCR 259 – GS1 Monthly File Updates

On October 1, the monthly file to GS1 that contains entity information for all new GLNs created and updates to existing GLNs, was modified to include entity contact information as required by GS1.  This report was modified to include the new data requirements, email address or phone number.  Now, each record submitted will contain the email address and phone number of Member Services.  This is at the monthly report level only and does not impact the entity record in AGIIS.  Additionally, the report was modified so that it only includes AGIIS assigned GLNs.  Previously, both AGIIS assigned, and subscriber owned GLNs were being provided to GS1.

## 2 September 2024
## PCR 257 – Buyout Simplification Process

On Saturday, 31 August, AGIIS was enhanced to help simplify the buyout process.

Previously, to process a buyout transaction, both entities (the buying entity and the entity being bought) must first be enumerated in AGIIS with a GLN. With this enhancement, the buying entity does not need to be in the directory to begin the buyout process.

A new transaction type dropdown, "Bought Out – Add Entity" is now available from the Entity Update page, as shown below. This transaction type is to be used when the buying entity is not already enumerated in the directory.



Upon selecting this transaction type, you will be taken to the Entity Add page, where the buying entity will be added. You will be presented the option to copy over the existing proprietary code(s) to the new entity as shown below.



Once the new entity is submitted, comments are automatically added to the transaction, driving it to the Directory Administrator for review. If the Add transaction is approved, the Directory Administrator will accept the Add request and then complete the buyout transaction.

To accommodate our existing business rule that require unique proprietary codes within the EBID subset, if you elect to carry over your proprietary codes to the new entity, the bought-out entity's proprietary code will be modified with the extension "_bkp". For example, if the bought-out entity has the proprietary code "123456", it will be modified to "123456_bkp". The extension is only applied if you choose to carry over the proprietary code(s) to the new entity. Bought-Out entities will be set to an Inactive status, but will remain in your subset as they always have. You may choose to retain the inactive entity in your subset or remove it.

## 27 April 2024
## PCR 256 – Request Update Verification Tools

On Saturday, 27 April, AGIIS was enhanced so that the Google Maps and Google Search buttons will be present on the Request Update page, allowing the Directory Administrators to verify name and address information with the click of a button.

This enhancement will be transparent to users but visible to Directory Administrators.

These tools - Google Maps Search and Google Internet Search on the Directory Request page - will increase efficiency for the Directory Administrators. The enhancement will eliminate the need for Directory Administrators to copy and paste data into a different browser tab to confirm an address, and as a result, users will get faster responses to their add/update requests.