

## GSMP CALL TO ACTION PACKET

### Data Accuracy BRG Announcement

08 March 2007

#### 1.0 Objective of this Call to Action packet

The main purpose of this Call to Action is:

The Data Accuracy BRG would like to extend an invitation for others in the Global GSMP Community to join them in their on-going efforts to improve the accuracy of data via Updates to the GDSN Package Measurement Rules Standard and in our efforts to create new Tolerance definitions by packaging type. This BRG has been formed from the initial GDSN work team focused on developing a standards-based set of tolerances which will be used within the network to ensure a level of data accuracy and to allow business users streamlined processes.

A standard set of tolerances have been defined for rigid and semi-rigid packaging types and we have delivered a Best Practices Guideline for implementing the tolerances. As part of our 18 month Communication Plan we are trying to involve more GS1 MO organizations to expand global involvement beyond those whom now carry the Tolerance Pilot leadership burden. Our 18 month plan is to review the Hard Package Tolerances to see how implementation feedback could change these tolerances and to educate others at as many events as is possible and through GS1 and other organizations. For more details on our Tolerance team current and future you may use a "participant" user id & password to access any of the links that follow.

Our Data Accuracy BRG eRoom link is:

[http://eroom.uc-council.org/eRoom/facility/AlignDataBusinessModelingGroupBMG/0\\_33a0f](http://eroom.uc-council.org/eRoom/facility/AlignDataBusinessModelingGroupBMG/0_33a0f)

Two Tolerance Sub-teams are already in progress and many more are planned for the future.

Soft packaging tolerance Sub-team Link:

[http://eroom.uc-council.org/eRoom/facility/AlignDataBusinessModelingGroupBMG/0\\_512a0](http://eroom.uc-council.org/eRoom/facility/AlignDataBusinessModelingGroupBMG/0_512a0)

Flexible packaging tolerance Sub-team Link:

[http://eroom.uc-council.org/eRoom/facility/AlignDataBusinessModelingGroupBMG/0\\_51956](http://eroom.uc-council.org/eRoom/facility/AlignDataBusinessModelingGroupBMG/0_51956)

Future Packaging Tolerance Teams We will need your help to populate these tolerance teams as well:

- Small Products – Examples: Lipstick, Chewing Gum, Spice jars, Bobby Pins, Candy etc.
- Out of Box - This is in regards to the measurement of items that require assembly once removed from their received or purchased packaging.
- Meat and Poultry – self explanatory
- Green Goods - Live plants: Examples- Flowers, shrubs, trees and grasses.
- Frozen - Items that are kept at a temperature below the freezing point to preserve their usefulness. Predominantly related to food and drink.
- Softlines - Clothing and Apparel - These items can be packaged folded, or on hangers. Examples- Shirts, pants, socks, hats, scarves and coats.
- Hardlines - Items in the building industry used in the construction of a building, furniture, or other fixtures of said building. Examples: Lumber, Insulation, fencing, nails & screws
- Produce – Vegetables, Fruit etc.
- Live Animals - Exactly as the name suggests- Live animals. Examples- Livestock, dogs, cats, rodents, amphibians, reptiles, birds and fish

For Tolerance Priorities to date use the following link:

[http://eroom.uc-council.org/eRoom/facility/AlignDataBusinessModelingGroupBMG/0\\_52bab](http://eroom.uc-council.org/eRoom/facility/AlignDataBusinessModelingGroupBMG/0_52bab)

## 2.0 Objective/Scope of the Data Accuracy BRG

The Data Accuracy BRG will also be responsible for maintaining the GDSN Package Measurement Rules Standards. We have completed two revisions to the GDSN Package Measurement Rules Standard – The last section contains the Hard Package Tolerances Standard. You can view the GDSN Package Measurement Rules & Tolerances Standard and our Best Practices Guideline using one of the following Links:

The GS1 Knowledge Center Link:

<http://www.gs1.org/services/gsmg/kc/gdsn/>

The GDSN Inc. Link:

<http://www.gs1.org/productssolutions/gdsn/technical/index.html>

## 3.0 Expertise Required:

Applicants should have technical or business expertise in GDSN and Data Accuracy representing: GS1 Member Organizations, manufacturers, retailers, suppliers, etc. The intent is to have balanced participation from the user community to define and establish proper global standards with the clear intention of implementation.

## 4.0 Distribution for Call to Action:

Please distribute this 'Call to Action' to the GSMP Community and in particular the Bar Code & Identification BRG and GDSN BRG. We are open to broad membership from various industry groups, companies, or regions. The 'Call to Action' is posted in the GSMP Call To Action eRoom at:

<http://eroom.uc-council.org/eRoom/facility/GSMPCallToAction>

Our BRG holds teleconference on the first and third Friday at 10 AM – 11 AM EST Eastern Time USA and our Sub-teams tend to hold teleconferences on the second and fourth Friday of the month at 10 AM EST. If additional time is needed the 9AM – 10 AM EST time slot is used on any given Friday. We also have about a half dozen physical meetings throughout the year. Our physical meetings are held in conjunction with other GS1 events whenever possible and are a full day or a day and a half in length. Our Tolerance sub-team time involvements for those interested in piloting can be answered directly by sub-team leaders once an application has been received.

## 5.0 GSMP Process:

For complete information regarding GSMP Work Groups please refer to the GSMP User Manual located on the GSMP web site: <http://www.gs1.org/services/gsmg/support/>

## 6.0 Face-to-Face Meetings

We hold about a half dozen physical meetings throughout the year held in conjunction with other GS1 events whenever possible. They are a full day to a day and a half in length. Our Tolerance sub-team pilot time involvements can be answered directly by the Tolerance sub-team leaders once an application has been received.

## 7.0 Teleconferences

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## 8.0 How To Apply?

All applications can be found and filled out at the GSMP the "Get Involved" Web-site: <http://www.gs1.org/services/gsmpp/involve/> Or application can be sent via email to Laurie Policastro [laurie.policastro@gs1.org](mailto:laurie.policastro@gs1.org) NOTE: Be sure to click on the application box for "Data Accuracy BRG"

Kind Regards,

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