

BEST Release Notes for Release 4 Support pack 1



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1 What is delivered with the new Release

BEST constantly improves our products and this new support pack delivers a host of improvements and fixes. The support pack consists of 15 New features, 23 Enhancements, 12 Fixes divided between BEST Accounts Payable and the BEST Statement Reader. The highlights of the new release are detailed below.

2 New Features

2.1 BEST ACCOUNTS PAYABLE MODULE

2.1.1 Master Data Change History Log: The eagerly anticipated change history log on all the master data programs is now available. Any changes to BEST master data can now be reviewed as a report. For example, when making changes to the BEST Vendor Master Data a change log can now be viewed:

BEST Vendor Master Change History														
User	Date	Time	Mod	Vendor	CoCode	prev. Stmt Ctrl	new Stmt Ctrl	curr. Stmt Ctrl	prev. OI o	new OI o	curr. OI o	prev. Apr	new Apr	curr. Apr
MICHAEL	09.02.2018	14:35:23		1800000077	0001	1	2	2	6	E	E	C2	G1	G1

2.1.2 Additional SAP details on statement recon lines: Some clients requested additional details on SAP lines to carry through to the Statement lines such as Material Document Numbers, Clearing Document Numbers and Due Dates – these now reflect on the Online Reconciliation Report.

2.1.3 Configurable Reconciliation Output: The Standard Reconciliation Output (PDF and Excel Reconciliation) can now be configured in a fraction of the time, avoiding costly ABAP programming development hours.

2.1.4 Configurable reconciliation categories: The reconciliation categories that each line item falls into can now be configured in a fraction of the time, avoiding costly ABAP programming development hours. A comprehensive list of over 60 standard reconciliation categories has been defined. These categories can be renamed or combined. New categories can be configured based on parameters such as document type, payment status etc.

2.1.7 Special GL postings separated on the reconciliation: Special GL postings (down payments, guarantees, bills of exchange, retentions etc.) are now separated into their own reconciliation categories as a standard.

2.1.8 Matching program extended: There is existing logic in the automatic matching program that allows changing of the matched SAP FI accounting document (if configured). It is now extended to also allow changing of the matched parked, held or GR document.

2.2 BEST STATEMENT READER

2.2.1 Excel files processing: BEST Statement Reader can now cater for Excel files including XLSX format.

2.2.2 Attachment configuration options: New BEST Statement Reader configuration options relating to various methods of attaching the original statement to the reconciliation.

3 Enhancements

3.1 BEST ACCOUNTS PAYABLE MODULE

3.1.1 R categories extended: Reconciled items are not displayed on the reconciliation report – as the report is all about unreconciled or problem items. However, in some cases, it is required to show reconciled items (for example, to show the supplier statement invoices that were successfully matched and reconciled). An option has been added.

3.1.2 Improved performance due to enhanced database changes and routines. As new functionality is developed, it can sometimes have adverse effects on program performance or speed. It is our continual objective to test program performance and analyze where improvements can be made.

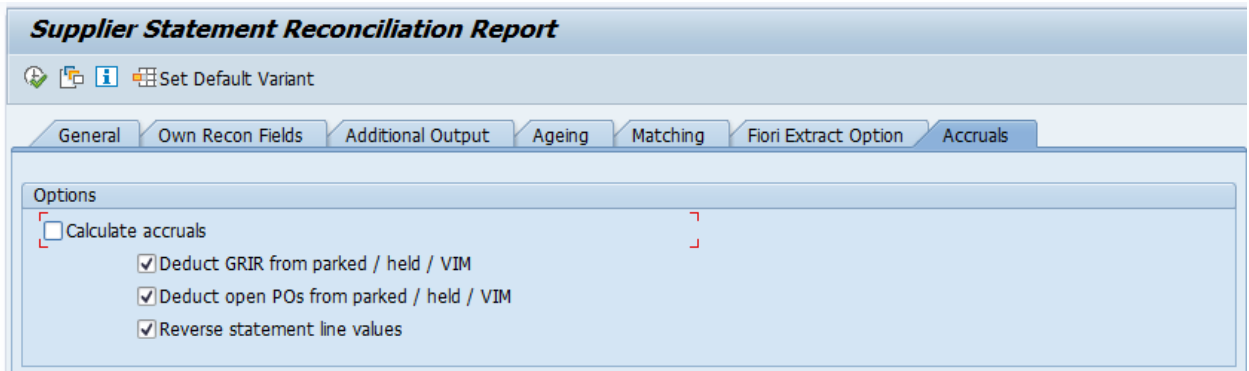
3.1.4 Include/ Exclude Balances: Configuration and master data has been simplified by removing redundant options to report documents such as Parked, Held, VIM, GRIR, Open PO's. These configuration and master data options are not required as they exist already as selection options on the reconciliation report.

3.1.6 Payment update configurable option: Addition of "Payment Update" as a configurable option. Therefore, not having to save default variants to have the "Payment Update" checkbox selected.

3.1.7 F1 Help updates: The F1 help has been updated for all BEST related transactions.

3.1.8 Reporting Updates: Redundant reports in BEST have been removed namely "Validate Creditor Liability," "Payment Forecast" and "Accruals" as these can be accessed elsewhere in BEST. These reports have now been replaced with:

- “Accruals Report” has moved to the online reconciliation offering more selection and filtering options to create custom reports for every BEST client. Below is an example:



Supplier Statement Reconciliation Report

Set Default Variant

General | Own Recon Fields | Additional Output | Ageing | Matching | Fiori Extract Option | **Accruals**

Options

Calculate accruals

Deduct GRIR from parked / held / VIM

Deduct open POs from parked / held / VIM

Reverse statement line values

- “Matched Documents” is an audit trail of matches by user, date and time, per vendor etc.
- “Deleted Matched Documents” is an audit trail of deleted matches by user, date and time, time per vendor etc.
- “Consolidated Master Data Report” shows master data values across different BEST and SAP data tables, and a range of vendors and companies - all in a single report. This allows management to more fully understand master data settings, identify inconsistencies and ensure master data accuracy.

BEST Master Data Hierarchy

M-CoCode	M-Account	M-Name 1	Sub Stmt Number	C-Sub-Ven	D-E-Mail#1 (BEST Table)	D-E-Mail#2 (VM – Correspondence Tab)	D-E-Mail#3 (VM – Address Tab)
0001	100485	Michaels Test Vendor 5		Tot:2	Michael@bestsapcbi.com	abcdef@gmail.com	test123@gmail.com

BEST Master Data Hierarchy

A-Stmt Ctrl	A-OI or BF	A-Apr Strat	A-Key Date	A-Nr Rel	A-Match ID	A-Tol. Key	A-Num. Only	A-Supplier S	A-1:1 Curr	Match Loc. Curr	A-Stmt.Co	A-Sub Statem	Match Parked	A-Park Bal	A-Mtch Held	A-Held Bal
1	6	J1	5	1	M1	U1	2	/	M				3	1	3	1

3.2 BEST STATEMENT READER

3.2.1 Online load screen: When processing a statement from BSR fix this has now been enhanced to skip the first selection screen and go straight into the online load screen.

3.2.2 Improved extracts: "Invoice" and "Most Recent Statements" extracts have been enhanced to ensure shorter run times, avoiding timeouts.

3.2.3 Large file processing: Statement loading performance has been materially improved, to allow loading of larger statement files, and faster loading of all statement files.

3.2.4 Large file display: When opening the PDF file in the BSR fix it, it can take a long time if the files are big (for example, large scanned statements can be many megabytes in size). Image display is now optional.

4 Fixes

Individual clients logged calls for the below issues. Fixes have been applied to those clients and are available to all in this Support Pack upgrade.

4.1 BEST ACCOUNTS PAYABLE MODULE

- Where reconciliation is at a lower level than company code (e.g. segment, business area etc.), the matching program erroneously in some cases did not consider the segment / business area.
- When using older versions of the SAP GUI, on some PCs only, the approval program short dumped on selecting many vendors. Program changed to avoid technology not compatible to these GUI versions and PCs.
- In some cases, not all items in a match were being marked as reconciled.
- Finalized reconciliations were linking to the historical snapshot payment and not the actual payment made in SAP.

4.2 BEST STATEMENT READER

- The currency field was not taken into consideration as part of the key when processing statements via BSR with a different currency. Only one statement would load successfully and the other statements with a different currency would go into error.
- When the variable which retains the result of the Opening Balance accumulation exceeded its maximum value the system short dumped. The system now provides a meaningful error message and avoids the short dump.
- Retaining mandatory information in the manual load screen when going through BSR Fix to process the statement online.
- Open item error displayed for a statement that should have loaded successfully in BEST. Investigations showed that the calculations were not correct because there was a negative sign in the credit column.

5 Compatibility

- BEST has recently been certified for S/4Hana 1610. This means that any of our clients who are moving onto the S/4Hana 1610 platform will be catered for once upgraded to R4SP00. BEST is also S/4Hana 1511 certified as of R3SP00.
- BEST has also been re-certified for SAP NetWeaver 740. This means that we have a single product for all SAP platforms.