Store Sales File Specification

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Abstract
This document outlines the procedure for the submission of catalogue data to ARIA for the provision of catalogue update.

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Introduction

This document describes the specifications required for the monthly sales data sent through. This data is required to ensure that the accuracy of the ARIA charts is maintained at the highest levels.

Rules for data

- Data should be provided in CSV format.
- All data is to be enclosed in "" and each data item is to be separated by a comma.
- No blank spaces are required. If a field does not contain any data, it is to be represented by empty quotes "".
- There are three data files. They are to be collectively zipped into one zipped file.
- If a quote is needed within a field it should be escaped by placing a another quote beside it "This is ""an example"" of placing quotes in the middle."

Frequency of Data Submission

- Data is to be submitted on a monthly basis.
- Data is to arrive no later then the first week of the following month containing all the data for the previous month. A reminder will be sent at the end of every month.

Getting data files to ARIA

- The zipped file is to be delivered to ARIA via ftp. A directory will be designated for each record company to drop their files into. The directory will be secure and users will only have access to the directory designated for their own record company.

Naming the sales files

- The file naming convention will be the following: *FileType_3 Letter Company Code_yyyymmdd.csv*.
- There are 3 files to submit. Stores, Sales and Titles. Below is an example of the file naming convention for sales files sent by EMI.
    1. Stores File – Stores_EMI_20041026.csv
    2. Sales File – Sales_EMI_20041026.csv
    3. Titles File – Titles_EMI_20041026.csv

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File Structure

The sales data is delivered in three separate files. Each file has a different set of data.
The files and the data in contains are as follows:

1. **Stores File**

Fields
Store Identifier
Store Name
Store Suburb
Postcode

2. **Sales File**

Fields
Barcode
Store Identifier
Monthly Sales Figure of Barcode

3. **Titles File**

Fields
Barcode
Recording Type (Single, Album, Video, DVD)
Title
Artist

NB: A sample has been provided for each file and its data below. Each record should be on a separate line.

E.g.

File Name: Stores_EMI_20041026.csv
Sample Data: "1234","HMV Pitt St","Sydney","2000"
                "6578","HMV Crown St","Sydney","2010"

File Name: Sales_EMI_20041026.csv
Sample Data: "12345678901","1234","45000"

File Name: Titles_EMI_20041026.csv
Sample Data: "12345678901","Album","Get Born","Jet"