

## Summary of email discussion beginning Dec. 28, 2000

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Beginning with an email on Dec. 28, 2000, LANCE cataloging issues were discussed on the MOBNE-L listserv. Thirteen issues were addressed.

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### 1. Cataloging representatives from each cataloging center

The following representatives were appointed:

- Sharon Upchurch from Culver-Stockton
- Julie Andresen from Hannibal-LaGrange
- Leisa Walter from KCOM
- Tesuk Im from Linn State
- Valerie Darst from MACC
- Stephen Wynn from Truman State

### 2. Local data that can/should be removed from bib records

No centers were aware of any such data at this time.

### 3. Standards for 505

A standard for enhancing the 505 is needed.

### 4. Standard for merging bib records

We should start by adopting MERLIN's standard (available [here](#)), then adjust that standard as needed.

### 5. When merging a non-OCLC with an OCLC record, should holdings attached to the non-OCLC record be coded for upload to OCLC?

It was unanimously agreed that holdings should be so coded, but Robin reminded us that OCLC would charge the owning institution for each update, regardless of who coded the holdings for upload.

### 6. Distribution of reports

Many of III's reports can be distributed by location. Others cannot. Truman volunteered to receive in full the reports that cannot be distributed by location, with the exception that reports on MESH headings should be given to KCOM. It was generally agreed that this was acceptable, provided that Truman keep other cataloging centers informed.

### 7. New headings reports

These can be left to the discretion of each cataloging center.

### 8. Invalid headings reports

These should be corrected.

### 9. Blind reference reports

Blind references should be kept if and only if the reference's structure is used in another heading. Truman has volunteered to receive this report in full.

#### 10. Duplicate bibliographic records and barcodes

Duplicate records will be merged according to standards to be established. Robin clarified that the duplicate report will be sent to the cataloging center that downloads the duplicate record onto LANCE, and that it is that center's responsibility to resolve the duplicate.

#### 11. Duplicate authority records reports

Duplicate authority records will have to be evaluated one by one: MERLIN warns that some reported "duplicates" are not, in fact, duplicates. Truman has volunteered to receive this report in full.

#### 12. No match report

Truman has volunteered to receive this report in full, but Robin warned that the WLN report from the original authority processing will be "HUGE."

#### 13. Notification of changes and deletes

These should be received on paper for human review and download.

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In addition to the questions raised by the initial email, Mary Sims (KCOM) suggested that the Cataloging Committee list and prioritize the things that need to be done or fixed. Such a list would help those libraries strapped for time and resources to decide where their efforts in catalog maintenance would be most efficiently and effectively applied.

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