FDLP Pre-Meeting: Updates from GPO – Transcript of audio

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Welcome to dress if you just joining us, this is the pre-meeting, and we will get started and just about five minutes. Hi, everyone, and welcome to the FDLP premeeting. We are planning on getting started and just about two minutes. We're having a bit of a technical glitch with one of our presenters, and we are working on that, so I will keep you updated. But, if we to start a little bit late, it will be more than just a few minutes. I will keep you posted. Hi, everyone, welcome to the FDLP premeeting updates from GPO. Give us just about two minutes, and we will get started. Thank you. Hi, everyone, welcome to the FDLP premeeting. We are getting started and just about one minute.

Kelly?

Lori, we can hear you, can you do one more test?

Yes, hello, everybody. I am just looking for the preconference slides.

We have not begun yet. We are waiting for you to be able to get in.

Okay, open me up, and besides in front of me. Thank you.

Okay, I will get us started here.

I can't get to SharePoint now, great.

Hi, everyone. Apologies for the technical difficulties a day. We had trouble getting some of our presenters into the meeting this is the FDLP premeeting. This is related to the suppository meeting. Before I get started, just need to run through a few logistics with you. Throughout this event, we encourage you to chat your questions into the chat box that is in the lower right-hand corner of the screen. We will have our Q&A portion at the end of the session, where I will relay your questions to the presenters at that time. We are recording those premeeting's. Your Shiva link to the recording after the event. There will also be made available in the Academy training repository. We did have Lori show up, she is through audio, see will not see her. But I will out pass the microphone to Lori, and Lori will get us started.

Thanks, everyone, it is really good to be with you again. Thank you for the staff trying to get me on, but we were not able to. I will apologize, beforehand, if I goof up, Kelly will help me get through, since I know we added additional slides at the very end. So, welcome to this second meeting. We had some comments about the meeting the talked about our operations and projects. So, we decided to do it again. There's lots of information to share with you all today, and we are ready to our presentation. So, that is the agenda side, if you commit to that? We are going to talk on some each operational area, and that's me, the office and director. The chief is Ben Peterson of that area. You hear from several support services. The chief of that division will have some of that staff report as well. Then, our chief of library technical services. That is what is on our agenda for today. Is the next slide national collection strategic plan?

I am just checking, sorry, folks. The national collection strategic plan, that was published a couple of years ago now. It goes by fast. And then, the task force happened. So, now, what is happening with those two documents of recommendation from the task force and national collection strategic plan, we are mapping the recommendations from the task force to the items in the strategic plan, and then also, mapping them with a lot of current project that are going on that are being worked on in FY 23 and FY 24. When we do that conversation mapping, we have identified new projects and plans, and then, some of the plans and projects are already underway. Some of the things in the collection strategy and strategic planner underway, as well as things as task force recommends. There are some things under the recommendations that we are already taking action doing small things, or subprojects. So, we found that we have a whole big thing to do, so, we are trying to prioritize the work based on what staffing we have and what funding we have, and how far some of the projects are underway. That is going to help us navigate, you know, all of the things that we want to do and would love to do in the next, you know, the next year, '24, '25. Some are budgeted, some are not budgeted, some will be big plans, and new initiatives. So, we have to juggle all of these things, and come out with a clear path forward, because it does seem kind of chaotic at this point. So, as we are doing this, we are going to keep the community informed by sessions like today. I have some pages on FDLP.org that we are keeping everybody informed about how things are progressing, both in projects that are part of the strategic plan, and part of the task force recommendations. Next slide, thanks, Kelly. One of the things that just happened recently, some of you might be aware of or not is congressionally mandated reports. There has been talk of legislation for several years now to build a portal for digital congressionally mandated reports. And guess what? It is finally signed into law on 12-23-22. There is the public law they are, 117263. And in that law, it includes this axis to congressionally mandated reports act. Basically, it requires us to establish and maintain this online portal that is accessible to the public that allows for the agencies to deliver electronic copies of congressionally mandated reports to one place. So, as soon as that legislation passes right before the holiday, in early January, we formed a GPO with members from a program strategy and technology. And the deadline is very, very tight. If you pick of the legislation, you will see that this needs to be delivered to the hill, or at the end of December 2024. That is a big turnaround to build the workflow to in just or to a bunch of other things that are required by the law. So, we have been working very hard to get the team together and do our requirements, do our roles and responsibilities, and so, we will be keeping everybody informed about this, including our constituents and stakeholders. You will be seeing more information about that coming up. So, that has taken priority over some of our other projects. But, you'll hear about some of the other things going on. But, this is the forefront, and has a tight deadline. A lot of our key staff folks are working on this. So, this is where our work is going to be focused on for the next six to nine months. So, I wanted to talk about that. Excuse me, will be get a bit of my favorite iced tea. Okay. I want to talk a little bit about real quickly before we go on, a little bit about the state of tangible distribution for the FDLP. Things have been changing over the years, but I wanted to give you little bit more information about what we see, and what we are tracking in terms of tangible publication that are, you know, in stroke with the FDLP, and that we are distributed to you. So, in general, the agency requests for printing information products through GPO that are in step with the program has been down significantly. Even more than 50% in prior years. So, in FY 18, we received orders from agencies for tangible publications, we selected 1128 titles to order in bulk stock for you all, and, just in FY 22, there are only 481 titles that were information projects in print format that were set up with the program that we decided to send you intangible format. Many of the agencies do not print publications as they have in the past. But, we are really seeing that now with less and less receipts or requests to GPO to print tangible publication. Just to let you know, there are still agencies coming into GPO that we are, you know, getting copies for, primarily

interior agriculture, justice, and defense. Those are our top four. Kelly, next slide? And, we are also continuing to distribute key congressional titles that are printed in-house. Obviously, legislative projects and products, hearings, reports, congressional records, several registers, registrations, those publications. But, our agency numbers have dropped significantly. So, what is happening then in this case is that we are focusing once again, and we continue to focus, it's nothing new, I'm trying to identify this digital only publication, and we do that through a wide variety of sources, including the end reported publication, and our technical services librarian scrolling the Internet and agency sites for new publication. Next slide? Thanks, Kelly. So, our numbers are a little bit skewed, because, guess what happened in FY 22? Our distribution numbers went up in 2022, because we were holding those shipments for many of you, remember? We held those shipments a couple of years ago. So, our numbers got a little bit skewed as we held publications so, we held that in -- the numbers of shipping were going down. That has been happening for a while. Interestingly enough, we are looking at discontinuing the E shipping list, because we have less than five tangible electronic products that are available for distribution, and that have gone out on select shipping lists. A lot of agencies are not used to these agencies anymore. So, what does this all mean? It means we are really watching some of these trends, and we are doing a little shifting and a refocus for some of our efforts on the tangible distribution piece. We are continuing to clean up our classes for ongoing efforts to identify titles that are no longer available, or titles only available in electronic format. We've just donedot with the mic. When we close down, the makers with distribution. We are still cleaning up a few of those. And, we have discontinued some categories of classes, and there are some additional ones that we may discontinue in the near future. So, I wanted to give you a little bit of, you know, a state of the tangible world, and the tangible distribution going on. All right, and one other thing from the office of managing directors is our staffing. There has been a push in support services to higher outreach librarians and support librarians, and we are ready to go to to some specialists coming up soon. We have been hiring technical services libraries to do retirements, and focus on other job and other libraries, and we are gearing up for some additional I.T. project supports and projects and systems. Just to make everybody aware of these obviously go on USA jobs, they are not all librarian. We have a wide variety of skill sets that we are looking for. We have web folks, I.T., developers, designers, business analysts, program analysts, digitization folks, so, we hire quite a wide range of people to help us run our organization. And many of these positions are going to be remote. Kate will talk a little bit more about our staffing initiatives, and we have people who are remote now working remotely, and that seems to be working out pretty well. It is very clear on the USA jobs applications, when you look at those positions, you can see if they are telework eligible or are intentionally remote. We may be looking for specific folks in specific areas of the country. So, when you read those postings, please, you know, pay attention. If you have questions, you can call the X birth there. Many of them are all sources, which means, and government speak, anyone can apply. So, that is important to note. So, okay. Some other business activities, Kelly, the next slide? Thanks. We are now beginning our work on the appropriations budget. The stress very soon. You know, we hear things coming from the hill. We expect to have very level funding, maybe some minor increases for cost of living, and salaries, and potentially, we may be asking for money for special projects, but we are seeing how things are going at this time. In one other thing that somebody else is going to mention as well, we are going to be at the 2023 A.L. I conference in Chicago. We are going to be there, quite a few people will be having some meetings, we will be setting up meetings with folks if you will be there, so we look forward to seeing many of you at ALA, and I think we do have one more slide, correct, Kelly?

Yes, the new promotional materials.

The new promotional material! Things to Kelly, we have a whole group of new promotional materials. It has taken me time and effort to refresh the new brochures, to make edits and changes, we have some

pencils, we have some new info brochures, so, please, they are now available, so, if you are interested in ordering, please go to the ordering site. Kelly will put that in the chat. They usually come in packages of 25. So, thank you, Kelly, for doing all that. We have some new exciting promotional things that are available. So, next up, I want to turn it over to Christine Blake. She is going to talk a little bit about task force next steps, and the digital piece. So, Christine, take it over.

Thank you so much, Lori. I name is Christine Blake, and I served as a senior adviser for the task force on a digital/predatory depository program. New to give you an update on the task force report recommendations and GPO's limitations at the digital FDLP. Some quick background, and 2021, the director convened the 23 member task force to study the feasibility of a digital FDLP. This was in response to the fall 2020 recommendation from the DLC. The 23 member task force had a presentation from the DLC, the depository library community, and federal agencies. Over the 2022 calendar year, this group of esteemed professionals wrote and delivered the report to director Halpert. Was recently, director Halpert responded to the task force, and largely accepted the recommendations, and laid out how GPO will begin planning for a digital FDLP. The task force concluded that the FDLP can and should move to a digital program. This cannot happen overnight. There are a number of significant homicidal, and that plate of matters that will require stakeholder engagement and thoughtful consideration. Therefore, GPO is designing a phased approach for infant Tatian. Given the shift and internal operations, GPO's in the process of evaluating and prioritizing our key activities in progress for FY 23, and scheduled for FY 24, and aligning our strategic imperatives with the task force recommendations, which Lori briefly touched on before. So, what have we done so far? Son of the first things we did was work with GPO's congressional relations office to send revised proposals of title 44 up to the hill. GPO stress staff plans to meet with the ministry to staff in the future as well. Communication is ongoing in these efforts, and will be sure to update you on any progress made. Continuing our support of efforts that increase broadband to underserved communities, GPO is hosting a webinar on May 8th with the FCC on the Affordable Connectivity Program, which help censure that households can afford the broadband that they need for work, school, healthcare, and more. One of the task force recommendations suggested working with an outside consultant to assist with change management and limitation planning. We are working closely with our GPO teammates and acquisitions in human capital to determine the next steps on these efforts. We also just launched a product page to communicate with the federal depository library community, and share what we are working on, and it is going live today. Our team and federal depository support services will also have webinars, and meet with libraries on these initiatives. GPO will also offer an information exchange this summer, so, we have a lot of different comedic Asian vehicles to work with. Here is what to expect. The task force recommendations will have a large impact on library services and content management operations. Everything we do will have a focus on digital first approach to service. This goes hand-in-hand with mapping our strategic imperatives back to the task force recommendations and the national collection plan. As we mentioned before, we will increase our communication efforts with the FDLP community. Throughout the product page online that will be updated regularly to show you what we were working on as we prepare for this new model, and we are extending our outreach efforts to ensure stakeholder engagement and inclusion are incorporated. This will take time. We need to ensure that we are taking our time to do the job right. Some recommendations are already underway, but others will take certificate time and resources to develop. We have received some questions, and wanted to give you some of the more popular ones for Q&A. Will the FDLP stop disturbing materials to libraries? No, there is still a need for print and some areas, particularly with legal materials and statutory requirements. Print materials will still be available for selection as long as federal agencies continue to provide a tangible format. Do depository coordinators need to discard tangible items in a digital FDLP? No. Depository libraries remain an important part of the natural collection. Legacy collections will continue to be maintained by depository libraries, and library

services and content management will provide reservation tools and services. Retention requirements remain unchanged, and collection maintenance, including routine weeding in accordance with existing policies remain. Will the imitation of a digital FDLP allow flexibility for the unique needs of different libraries? Yes, the task force recommended flexibility for libraries to participate in ways that work for them and the users in the communities they serve. What about the unreported digital documents the GPO has not catalogued? GPO will deploy a variety of methods and approaches to ensure that the greatest numbers of digital documents have metadata created, and are available for access. This concludes my presentation. If you have any questions, please visit ask GPO, and now, alternative to my colleague, Melissa Fairfield.

Hi, everyone. I am going to start off with my colleague, Abby, and I'm going to talk about the status of pilot projects one and two. Sorry, I am a little tongue-tied this afternoon.

Melissa, my apologies. Lori is in now. Lori, could you mute, please?

Go ahead, Kelly, I am you did. Hi, everybody.

Go ahead, Melissa.

Sorry about that, everyone. So, as we have reported in prior meetings and conferences, the product development developed several years ago, and kicked off with the announcement of pilot project one in September of '21, and pilot project two in '22. Since both are now underway, we have taken this opportunity to step back and review our projects process, and the lessons we have learned so far so that this can be of limited to future pilot projects. Some of the things we are thinking about making changes to going forward are the pilot project applications. You're considering changing or adapting it to different pilot projects that it is not just one application for every pilot project that we have out there, and we are trying to update the part about workflows. There has been a little bit of confusion with libraries thinking that they are going to be expected to do the bulk of the work. So, we are going to update that part of it. We are likely going to incorporate a request for sample images into the process, because we found that that has been extremely helpful to us in understanding the library's collection, and the condition of the collection. And finally, for collection specific proposals that are going to include digitization, we also need to start thinking carefully about the universal digitization, and ensure that proposals don't duplicate or overlap with existing partnerships or digital collections. So, pilot project one. As we have said earlier, in the fall of 2021, the library at the University was selected for pilot one. The initial scope of the project was to conduct a condition assessment catalog digitized, and adjust into the info the era civil defense monographs. The collection will be digitized and made available to everyone for government info. In the spring of 2022, GPO staff visited to do an initial condition assessment with 300 documents we would use for the project. The collection was in really good condition and it was hard for us to narrow down 300 documents out of this collection. We consulted with the managing director and chief's, and asked about expanding the scope of the project so that we could include everything. We were already doing the work. This was a really good collection that would be beneficial to have digitized and made freely available. So, we all agreed that that would be the thing to do. It's not always the best way to run a project, but, in this case, we determined it to be appropriate. So, since we expanded the scope, we needed to expand the schedule, so, rather than the 12 months we initially planned for, it would take closer to 24 months or so to be completed. Once we determined that this is going to be how we move forward, the staff unbound boxes, box them up, and shifted them at our expense, of course, and we do digital and cataloging. We catalogued the print versions that have been completed. The print version of the documents are done. They are in a QA stage. They should be

available within a couple of weeks. We will be giving the records, and they will be avail to look at the collection is coming back to them, and make sure that everything is good before they put their documents into storage. Currently, there with a digitization vendor, so they will be sent back once the digitization is complete. And, on our end, after the digitization is done, we are going to be sending them to be redacted. So, any personally identifiable information will be taken out of it, and then, we will adjust it into GPO, and create electronic records. All of the records that are created, both print and electronic, will be available in the CGP. Will be able to locate them by searching for pilot project one USU, and we will be making announcements about that as it comes. So, be on the lookout. We expect things to be done this fall. So, things happen, and things take longer than they are expected sometimes, but that is what we are shooting for at this point. Finally, I would like to thank our project team. From USU, it has been a pleasure working with all of you, and I'm happy to answer any questions you have. In the meantime, I am going to pass the ball over to Abby so she can talk about pilot project two.

Hi, everyone. I hope you can hear me. I am very honored -- sorry, here we go. I am very honored to have the opportunity to talk about pilot project two with University of North Texas. David Walls, pictured here with the rest of the pilot project two team, as well as some other stuff from the University of North Texas library system and I just returned from Denton Texas, and a sticky point here on the slide, but I have some repaired remarks about pilot project two that I will share with everyone. So, pilot project two was open for submissions between March 1st and April 15th of last year. The University of North Texas libraries was selected as the second pilot project participant in July of 2022. Okay. Since that time, the collaborative UMT library team has conducted a preliminary inventory of approximately 800 World War II era military technical manuals held at UMT, and collaboratively drafted a detailed project plan. The hands up limiter inventory work was conducted by the UMT team with project management and consultation provided by LSC him. Last week, as I just said, two members of the LSC and pilot project two team, myself and David Walls, spent four days working on site to conduct the on-site digital imaging collection level assessment that was called for an hour pilot project two pilot plan. David Walls, preservation librarian, pulled every item included on our pilot project two inventory from the carefully organized shelves in the basement of you and tease Sycamore library, reviewing for full-color images over and undersized dimensions, type bindings, and other characteristics that will require special handling during digital imaging. While I recorded those characteristics on our pilot project two inventory files, in the coming weeks, the UMT team will pack and ship the pilot project two volumes, again, at GPO expense to GPO man for further item level condition assessment, and digital imaging preparation. I checked the chat again. I am still hoping everyone can hear me. Our pilot project two goals include digitizing these department of the Army titles, and adjusting those digital into government info, applying those digital circuits into the library for the digital preservation repository, enabling discovery of those titles via the catalog of U.S. Government publications, and supporting the permanent preservation of these titles in the tangible format by including them in the UMT libraries preservation Stewart collections. Work on pilot project two is expected to continue into fiscal year 2024. So, let me advance the slide. Thank you for the confirmation. And I am going to read our last flight here on the pilot projects. So, what are our next steps? Our next steps include those updates to our internal processes and application processes that was referenced earlier. The coordination of these pilot projects with the other strategic initiatives that Lori covered at the beginning of the session, including the transition to digital FDLP, our work national collection service area, commercially mandated reports portal, and I will add that we are currently updating our processes and thinking ahead about future pilot projects. The timing of any future announcement needs to be considered and balanced with these other competing strategic initiatives. We look forward to learning from the experience of these first two pilot projects to inform and improve the pilot projects initiative that we look forward to undertaking with our federal depository library partners. So, that concludes our slides on the pilot projects. Here is our visit our pilot

projects webpage. You can ask questions related to pilot projects via ask a GPO. And now, I'm going to advance to the next slide, and I'm going to pass the baton over to Archie for projects assistance, Ben Peterson.

Thank you, Abby. Good afternoon, everyone. I would like to start by discussing four major digitization project that we have ongoing and L SCM. I know everyone has heard a lot about our Congressional serial set digitization project, and you will continue to hear a lot about it for many years. It is a multiyear collaboration. We have it with the law library of Congress to digitize the serial set, and make them available. Since September of 2021, we have added over 1600 serial set volumes, and we will continue to provide updates as we go along over the succeeding years. For more information, there is a link to the collection on government info. In addition to the serial sets, we are digitizing a congressional directory. Again, this is another ongoing multiyear effort to digitize the directories of the 41st Congress to the 103rd Congress. It is asserted going online a little more recently since October, and since then, we have added 141 directories to government info. Again, there's another link here for more information about these resources. In addition to the directories, we have an ongoing project to digitize an estimated 3 million pages of congressional hearings. The sun has been adding content just a little bit longer than the congressional directories since January of 2022. So, we vetted over 1600, and again, I provided another link. So, all three of these projects are ongoing, and have added content, and will continue to add content. We will continue to provide updates. And, for the fourth digitization project, we have a little sneak preview here. We have not added content yet for this one for the FDL depository shift, but we accepted come this summer. We'll cover over 10,000 shipping lists from the years 1980 to 1989. And moving on from digitization, we like to talk to you about our preservation Stewart program, and some of the recent expansions of that program. So, over the past couple of years, our partnership focus has been on preservation Stewart's, particularly given that the end of a microfiche format for dissipation of FDLP material. So, I wanted to provide an overview here, and some of the new and expanded partnerships that we have put in place. So, preservation Stewart's. What do they do? Make a commitment to retains specified tangible resources for a length of time as determined in the partnership agreement. Take on additional's possibilities for preserving the material, which includes both preventative preparation maintenance, as well as conservation treatments. Selectors and regional libraries are eligible to serve as preservation stewards and the content that is eligible that is you historic or current tangible titles, both non-superseding and superseding content. As a preservation Stewart, in addition to committing to preserving the content, you're committing to, for historic titles, summoning the inventory and condition assessments to GPO. And then, for current titles, to confirm and provide ongoing confirmation and receipt of materials on a periodic basis. And then, for all content preservation stewards ensure that the titles are catalog, and that their bibliographic record contains a permanent retention notation. And this is important, because the impact that engaging in preservation Stewart partnerships that it opens up flexibilities for collection management for the regionals in the form of policy availability for specific materials from regional just cars and regional online selection. So, onto our new partnerships. Our emphasis on preservation Stewart's has been paying off. So, we have picked up the Utah State University for historic and current floors in the University of Montana for current. In the Northeast, the New York State Library has come on board for historic and corn floors, and the bound Congressional record and more, and this is triggered a regional online selection in the Northeast for the CFR. In the South, we have had the University of Memphis, on board with historic and current Peace Corps publications, Auburn University for the historic air and circulars, and the University of Tennessee Knoxville for the historic civilian conservation Corps publications. So, not to be outdone by our new and current partners, but they've also been stepping up to the plate. Out west, the Colorado school of lines has added a long list of various historic titles to their agreement. The University of Colorado library has added historic and current titles, which is triggered a regional online selection for the CFR and its

findings. In the Midwest, we have University of Notre Dame law library for historic register, the current CFR, the historic house journal. Let's see, that's an online selection for the Midwest CFR and its finding aids. And then, at the State Library of Ohio, historic and current house internal reports and documents in current house incident journals triggering an online regional selection for the Midwest for the preliminary Prince of serial sets. In the Northeast, Syracuse University has added the current code and statute to Lawrence, and University of Maine has added current stem -related titles. And finally, in the South, we have the state university in a historical titles, and LSU law centers and historic titles triggering a regional online selection for the CFR and its findings. So, we want to thank all of our new and current preservation Stewart partners. You are a vital role in preserving the national collection. And, helping us achieve our goals. So, here is our call to action. Anyone who is not engaged in preservation stewards, even those who are engaged in preservation stewards, you can come on board, or you can expand the scope of your partnership. You can do it too. So, if you're interested, I encourage you to reach out directly to Suzanne, our partnerships coordinator, or you consummate an inquiry to ask GPO. And, if you're interested in information on the bigger picture that preservation stewards play, and our plan to preserve and manage the national collection, we have a webinar coming up on May 10th. Okay. Onto some very exciting news. This is for the exchange platform. Coming this summer, early this summer, we are deploying exchange update 1.1. This is a change in platform, so, this will require a short shutdown to ensure that the data migrates from the current plat form to the Newport platform properly. To help you prepare for this shutdown, we have a Q&A webinar scheduled for May 4th. I encourage you all to attend the webinar. If you're not able to attend, to watch the recording. We have sent out a news alert for the webinar, and we will continue to send out more news alerts and emails with more specifics on this particular update. Since this update is largely and under the hood platform migration, you will see minimal changes to your user experience. But, the good news is, while we are deploying 1.1, we are currently developing exchange update 1.2. That will launch within the next year, and this is where you will see changes to your user functionality. Enhancements will include expandable processing options, such as being able to practice cards in a manner, if ribbons to filter by library functions, sorting and filtering in mobile view, so you can take your phone in the stacks, and reworking the stocks, and more functions. So, there is a link here for a list of the full feature set, which I encourage you to take a look at, and also, be on the lookout for more details that we will be issuing as this development progresses. And, at this point, I will turn you to the capable hands of Kate pitcher, our chief of federal depository support services.

Hello, thank you, Ben, I appreciate that. Hello, everyone. Much like Abby, I am hoping everyone can hear me okay. Just put something in chat if you can't. Again, I am Kate pitcher, they are the team and library services and content management responsible for outreach communication, and educational training and programs for the over 1100 federal depository libraries in the FDLP. Currently, we have a staff of 12 librarians working with libraries supporting the program. So, today, I will give you several updates on initiative programs and services the federal depository support services is working on. This is going to include ask GPO, and some of the latest feature enhancements to the customer service portal. It'll give you an update on some of the regional online selection authorizations that have gone through. We also have a guide the revision project, which I will give you some news about, a new library reference training series of on-demand videos and presentations materials that libraries can use in their training, survey updates, and then lastly, an overview of national collection service areas, service on a planning, and upcoming focus group opportunities. Okay. So, ask GPO. There will be three important ask GPO updates for libraries and librarians to be aware of. The first is FDL directory, that is for library directory. The FDLP web archive, and then, some important updates, or, actually, some new features on selected and shared housing agreements. So, for general updates, we just wanted to emphasize that there is continuing development. We are constantly developing and enhancing the site for our users. We do

release approximately every six to eight weeks when there is a release to impact the federal depository libraries. We do a webinar or a short tutorial video to cover all the new features. We will have a release coming in early May of 2023 that is going to include new development around partnerships. So, federal depository libraries can see the partnerships with GPO right on the new feature called the my agreements page. So, I will take a moment here. I have a link to the ask GPO training videos. And this includes short videos and user manuals for ask GPO and the directory. So, some of the new features of note for users include the introduction of a help text for the depository highlight field. This is a new field in the directory that describes collections of interest to the public, and for other libraries. So, we really encourage the libraries to fill out this field, showcase and highlight your collections of interest, and make the public and your fellow FDL is aware of subject areas or unique areas of collecting interest. There are also new fields -- I'm sorry, they are not new fields, but now all users can view these fields, and that includes social media URLs, as well as the new ability for all users to see this see RDP, which stands for cataloging and record us to beach and programs points of contact. So now, depository corners will be able to view ahead of these fields.

Okay. FDLP web archive. So, there is a new web archive inquiry category when you going to ask GPO. I want to emphasize that this really should be used by staff when you want to suggest that GPO archives -- excuse me, a particular government website, and specifically, we want to note that this is very different from the Pearl requests. This is specifically for website level requests that our U.S. federal website are in scope of the FDLP. So, for more information, again, I'm going to put some information into the chat. As well as a link to the project page if you have any further questions about the web archive. Okay. The last new feature that I would like to highlight today is a new agreements page in your customer account. So, as will the rest of the library services content management, it's really important for us to have current information regarding agreements between libraries regarding their collection or selection decisions for government publications. One of our most recent futures developments is the ability for libraries to upload their current in-place agreements, and upload into their customer accounts. So, this would include any active selective or shared housing directors between libraries, as well as any print selector agreements between the libraries and GPO for selection day forward. The goal is to ensure that both GPO and library has access to the agreements now and into the future. You consummate a new printer select or shared housing agreement, and you can upload an old one if you library so has one on file that is still current. We did have a recent webinar that is very informative. It's only about a half an hour long. And I recommend, if you have any questions about using this particular feature, you can go and take a look at the webinar. But, I can take you through -- actually, I was given some great slides here, so I will just take you through some screenshots of what the agreements look like. When you login to ask GPO, you can see on the screenshot here, there is a number one. He will see that that is your login link, and then, you will see under the more drop-down menu, which is at the top there of the screen under number two, you will drop down in the menu, and you will see a link to the my agreements page. That is a number three. And then, you click on this link, and that will take you to your, for your library, my agreements page, which is number four. This is where you will be able to see all of your selective or shared housing agreements or print selector agreements that you have uploaded to your customer account. Here's a screenshot of the page for uploading your agreement, and you will notice here, number five indicates, you'll indicate there what agreement it is, what the type is, and is also a drop-down for the subtype. For example, if it is the regional copy, et cetera. And at the very bottom of the page, you can upload your file, and be able to trigger a workflow GPO that processes the agreement. We have a back end workflow for processing that agreement. Okay. Now, I'm going to move into regional online selection authorizations. Again, someone emphasized in the chat earlier, try not to just say acronyms, I am trying to give the definitions here, so I will take a minute here if there is anybody new in the audience to go over what is a regional online selection authorization. So, according to the

public policy statements, and the same and is the regional depository selecting solely online materials, as public policy statement permits the regional depository libraries to select EL, or online, as a format without also requiring selection of an equivalent tangible version. So, what is the publication eligibility? The equivalent version must be accessible from government info, or, from the digital repository of a digital preservation steward, or from the trusted Digital repositories of federal agencies. There must also be a print selector or a day forward preservation steward agreement and the regional national collection service area who agrees to select and retain the print format for either a specified period of time, or, in perpetuity. Authorization for these regionals to select a title an online format only is granted by the superintendent documents. So, on the slide, you'll see here some of the most recent authorized things as we call them, there is the record daily, Code of Federal Regulations, and the CFR index, and preliminary prints of select U.S. Congressional serial set series. And that is not true for all of those. And I would highly recommend, I will put the murals in here, one is for defining the regional online selections, and then the second one is for finding out more information about her national collection service area. This webpage will also direct you to your national collection service area webpage, where there is a list of the current things in effect. Okay. I'm to seeing what time I have left here. Okay. The next item is our Kaiser visions project. So, the federal depository support services and library services and content management staff have been busy working on a project to revise and update our templates. The ones that we used to create guides for the community. Our long-term project is to create a new layout for content, and currently, we have got six prototypes in place that we are releasing to the community, and we encourage feedback and comments on these proposed layouts for content. The current prototypes include one on the coronavirus, election and voting rights, open educational resources, U.S. Congress, U.S. Department of the Interior, and finally, U.S. the permit of the treasury. So, these prototypes will be available starting tomorrow through the close of business on May 19th. I'm going to give you a link that takes you to information about the prototype guides, as well as information on filling out a survey and providing comments and feedback. I encourage you to take a look at the prototype template, and then, provide us with some feedback. Another new product we've been working on and the support services is a new webcast series. I have to apologize, the name here indicates reference training modules, that was the working title for the series. We do have a different name for it, which is library reference training series. You may have seen a news alert until yesterday about these modules. But, these webcasts and presentation materials have been created to assist federal depository library staff with training other library staff on government information topics. We will be releasing several webcasts between now and the fall conference for your use. This is part of the news alert. There were several webcasts released, all introductions to basic resources and introduction to federal statistics reporting. Additional webcasts are going to be released over the next few months. So, again, will have one on weather and scientific data coming up soon, classification and essential catalog sites, federal employment and career resources. Again, if you like and comment on the series or suggest future topics, please submit an inquiry to ask GPO as always. And, I will submit a link here for you to go take a look at our training repository for those two webcasts. Okay. Everyone's favorite topic, everyone's favorite topic is the survey. I know it seems just like yesterday was the last survey, and it has been two years. The survey is 2023. So, we are on track to do this coming survey on the traditional timeline, which means the question development is ongoing, and is in fact happening currently. And then, we are going to do a preview to the community of the question set in late August or September of 2023. This will be with a release to the community in late September or early October. So, again, we are currently working on questions. One thing I would like to make mention of here, and especially encourage, is if you need a copy of your 2021 survey, for some reason, you neglected to get one, please contact the federal suppository services. We are happy to get you a copy of the questions and response or responses. We also post the survey questions with a spreadsheet of the data, and a summary reports on FDLP.gov, and, again, I will give you a link in the chat if you want to go back and see the different survey data that we

have available on the website. Okay. I'm trying to hurry through here, because I know we are on a time crunch. National collection service area service framework. So, the national collection service area work has been in place for about a year. I think about different service models to the national collection areas. The impacts would include the potential for providing more targeted collecting of federal information to meet local needs as well as a greater emphasis on cooperative collection building and development in the larger geographic areas. It may strengthen the safety net for tangible materials across a wider area, and assist the selective maintenance of their federal depository collections at their larger geographic area. Regionals, the impact includes facilitating management of the depository collections in their areas, increase coordination of collections, and again, increase collaborative development at that national collection service area. And increases and enables flexibilities for regionals to read and deselect tangible formats of some titles that are covered by the superintendent of documents authorizations regional online selection. Giving library services and content management a more active role in helping the libraries manage tangible library materials across the STLC. It gives us the ability for libraries and that service area. This is including more specifically targeted preservation and training opportunities for libraries. Okay. So, the service model within that framework, this is really designed as a new customer service model, which is really a staffing structure that the police staff into the national collection service areas. So that we can better service libraries in the FDLP. What might this look like? Well, for us, it is thinking about more proactive outreach to regionals and selective's. So, we have dedicated staff working with the service areas working with libraries. Increased opportunities for training and consultation, both virtually and on-site, and increased collaboration between GPO and the regionals to assist selectors in their depository collaborations. So, work during '21 and '22, we worked on developing three firm work around this model, and in '22, we began by hiring new user support librarians, supervisor librarians, and are planning on adding more outreach librarians to our team in the coming year. In this past fall, we create a reaching medication plans to begin work on prioritizing staffing and services for this model. So, some of the opportunities to work with libraries as well as other teams include visiting and consulting with libraries, providing, again, on-site training, the ability for us to attend state and regional meetings, and really developing knowledge and relationships between the libraries and a dedicated set of outreach librarians per each area. Okay. So, the framework will really mean working with depository libraries to assess needs. Much of our long-term work will be to support the national collection strategic plan and the goals outlined there. So, again, working the fibers to assess need, determining how we will deliver service, what is the best method for delivering said service, should training be across the regional level, on-site, and as a selective? Is going to depend on many different needs and developing relationships with libraries, and determining levels of service to those federal depository libraries. And lastly, I just want to mention that we have been working on developing a framework for providing focus or developing focus groups, and we are going to be holding a series of focus groups in June at ALA in Chicago. How does put a plug in here that we will be reaching out to the community in the next few weeks to see what interests we have amongst our community and to we are going to be at ALA for participating in said focus groups. So, stay tuned, there'll be more information coming shortly about what these focus groups are going to be conducting, as well as asking for participants. I am going to now pass the baton over to my colleague library technical services.

Thank you, Kate. Hi, everyone. I am the chief of library technical services. Let me go to the next slide. In my presentation today, I would like to cover the following topics. The ending of distribution, historical project updates, coming up bills and resolutions, RDA test updates, Senior Ron project updates, and the information portal. On behalf of my staff and myself, thank you for your time today. So, as you know, we have stopped acquiring new things for distribution. Due to the different contracts, these fish are produced under publications in the pipeline that will continue to be distributed by the vendor. Any claims for missing or damaged microfiche should be filed as soon as possible. If there are specific

questions, please let us know through ask GPO. Please keep in mind that when you file claims, we do our best to get them resolved, but due to the expiration of the contracts, we may have limited options for resolving missing issues. So, cataloguing item numbers and updates in the cuddling records that are racking up. So, LPS updated microfiche serial records to indicate that FDLP distribute and has ceased in accordance with counselor guidance. So, you will see the notes. When the print continues, we left the records open, and updated the microfiche records with the notes in the 500 note. And also, add another 533 note. So, we globally updated approximately 300 records in this way. Then, we close the microfiche records. Enclosed 24 records in CDP. Records say it will be available in the repository. Item number deactivation will begin next month. Please see the project page for more information and updates. So, now, let's start to the project. The shelf list is the GPO historic catalog covering tangible U.S. government documents from the 1870s to October, 1992. In January of 2010, GPO began working with a contract staff to transcribe the approximately 600,000 relevant cards in 21 records. Contract staff created brief records enhanced with one LCS age, library of Congress subject heading, and one authority. The project contract ended on December 31st, 2018. Contract staff catalog 75% of list historic shelf listed. So, the current contract started in October 1st of 2021. I was of the four contractors and staff members for quality control, with three GPO staff members for contract management. By the end of March of this year, contractors completed 52 drawers. That 50% of all the chores to be completed. So, we are doing really well. So, the shelf list project evolved from transgression to creating full bid records, including holdings and item records. Cars can be challenging to enter prints, because they may be handwritten, contain limited information, or include symbols and stamps related to outdated workflows. Different color cards also mean different things. For example, green cards are temporary cards used for the new publication while in process. Sometimes, historic shelf list cards with bibliographic information for print format has distribution notes for microfiche or others. For authorizing the personal names with a conflict, we are adding a distinguishing qualifier rather than creating full authority records. So, all of these variables needed to be deciphered and documented so that contractors can catalog these materials. Our focus shelf list, Susan Golden, is planning a serious of FDLP webcasts that provide history and detailed guidance on working with shelf cards, and catalyzing historic documents, and the original public documents library. The series is entitled public document library history series. The first webcast, entitled joint tale, cards of the historic shelf list, was published October 4th, 2022, and is available on the FDLP Academy training repository website. The second webcast, entitled how to find classification numbers, will be available by June 2023. The final two webcasts will be delivered in May of 2023 and '24. The history of distribution, and item numbers. Also, a brief history of the public document collection. Now, I am going to turn to -- am going to share the wonderful news that we are cataloguing bills and resolutions. We are creating metadata through batch process due to the project team, thanks to the project team. So, there are multiple reasons why these materials apply candidates for processing into MARC records. There are 174,594 bills and resolutions introduced from the hundred third Congress to the 118 Congress. And policy and metadata are available in government info. So, the production of MARC records would represent a significant experiment the automated processing of metadata. And, we did our homework. We conferred with multiple subject matter experts, such as LBS staff, Congressional research service, the collection, and discoveries of this working group with GPO program strategy and technology units. We consulted various metadata standards and guidelines, such as RDA, menu, and cataloguing the literature. We reviewed the metadata fields in the bills collection, and documented the metadata specifications for the conversion into MARC records. We generated a set of tax records, reviewed the records, identified modifications, updated process, and reiterated the steps. So, in terms of cataloguing positions made, we decided to catalog these resources as integrated resource, as this approach represents bibliographic lead the lead estate of process. The records updates introduce the versions pearls direct to government info summary pages of the measures. The records contain links to the Congress stock of summary pages. We assign policy area terms and general LCS age

terms based on the referred committees. But, there'll be no item numbers in these records. So, here is a sample record. This is the CGP view of the record for the title the lower energy cost act, introduced on March 14th, 2023. This is a partial view of the descriptive cataloging fields. The record does not have an item number, but it does have a complete set of numbers. The same record in Mark for you. This screenshot shows the subject headings and URLs in the records. This is the CGP standard view that appears at the top of the record. And again, the same record in the MARC view. Okay. So, we will have a variant for this test starting in June, and we will send out a news alert announcing the status, and eventually, records will be available. Watch out for the news alert. So, we will now turn to RDA updates. Since the beginning of 2022, GPO has been participating in the PCC task group to test the official RDA toolkit. The test were designed to assess the usability of policy statements, and metadata guidance documents, and the toolkit itself. Documentation for the test is available to the public, and the oral is provided here. So, GPO staff participated in this test. Both were as tester and evaluator. We created records evaluated, and compiled test comments, and analyzed the data. We will also contribute to the final report. So, the pulmonary results based on the broad surveys of the testers and evaluators is available at the link provided here. The survey consisted of yes or no questions, and test responses. The majority of the participants felt that more work is needed before official RDA can be and lamented by PCC. Most recently, the task group analyzed the free tax survey responses in detail. The task group is now analyzing individual detailed comments recorded by the testers and evaluators during their portion of the test. So, for the cementing timeline, the task group is expected to finish their analysis, and provide a narrative report in June coming up soon. Gosh, it just keeps going, sorry. So, they will also provide PCC with a list of corrections that need to be made to the policy statement, and mitigate metadata guidance documents. This will update the PS and MG D's. A small group will retest the resources after changes have been made. PCC will announce the limitation date in 2024. Implementation will likely be rolling or faced with libraries adopting the new standard as they are able to within a specified time line. Again, we will keep our whole community posted. Next, I wanted to give you updates on the media project. This project continues the work of the University of Michigan high school students in collaborative projects with the GPO. There is also the project that was recorded during last year's conference. In a student project, 50 CD-ROM discs from collections at the University of Michigan's library were reviewed for a variety of access and bibliographic factors. An analysis of the result of the student project by the GPO team concluded that a more thorough analysis of the bibliographic records of each CD-ROM was necessary to determine whether the information in the source CD-ROM was produced in automated format, presented by new content or migrated to an agency website. GPO product team was formed by GPO's preservation library and data as the project manager, and two librarians that were assigned to the team. Due to the complexity of the bibliographic and technical issues with the CD-ROMs, and iterative product design approach has been taken focusing on the original 50 titles reviewed by the original team. The initial project will be conducted in four phases. A bibliographic phase, and agency review and contact phase, a content review phase, and a phase for the final disposition of the prom. The people graphic phase of the project has been completed. Of the 50 titles, more than half have been migrated to the web, or have a format other than the CD-ROM copy. So, for the next steps, the project team will be working on the agency contact phase, contacting the creative agencies for additional information on the titles. Data and workflow analyses from the completion of the four product faces will be used to develop the final project workflow for a review of additional CD-ROM titles. Finally, I would like to share that there is a lot going on in LPS. So, please go to LPS information portal for more information about LPS initiatives, projects, and cataloguing resources. So, that ends my part of the presentation. Thank you. And I will pass the ball to Kelly.

Thank you. Unfortunately, we are very close to 2:30, but, the good news is, many of the questions that were in the chat are also answered in the chat by GPO staff. I'm going to make sure that we make this

chat transcript available to everyone in the archive with the recording of the session, and if we somehow did not or do not get to your question, we will make sure that someone from GPO reaches out to you. I was trying to keep up with was answering and what was asking, but I saw one question from Mimi that says, how long does it take to discontinue an item number when nothing has been sent out for years? Would anyone like to take that?

I think Jen answered it. So, normally, it will be five years, but sometimes, his applicator, right? We don't really know what agency is really stop printing or publishing on the item numbers. But, in general, I think we wanted to be usually five years if they did not produce any, but, with anything else, we have a lot of going on's. So sometimes, we would not be able to keep up to date with that. So, if we close something, and then the agency starts publishing again, then we have to just reactivate it again. And, for all of those announcements, we would have those announced in web technote. Thank you.

Thank you. Early on, we had a question. Can you speak to how those agencies not doing print publications are planning, if they are, for long-term preservation?

A, this is Lori Hall, you get to see me. I think Suzanne answered that. Each agency kind of does their own thing. So, you know, there is not a standard across the government for long-term preservation. So, I think Suzanne did answer that somewhere down the line. It's good to see everybody.

Okay, great, thank you. I think we did address most if not all of these, but, as I said, we will make this available. I will make it available to the GPO staff, and we will take a look, and if your question was not responded to, we will get back to you soon. We have come to the end of our session today. Thank you all so much for attending, and we all hope to see you on Monday and Tuesday at the TLC virtual meeting. Thank you all very much. [Event concluded]