To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA

From: Dave Reser, LC Representative

Subject: Change in mode of issuance for online resources: proposal for a revised instruction

LC thanks the ISSN International Centre and the ISSN Review Group for this follow-up to the 2013 discussion paper 6JSC/ISSN/3. We agree to the general intent of the proposal to limit the number of new descriptions when an online serial becomes an online integrating resource (and the reverse), with two exceptions:

1) The proposal is incomplete; we believe the impact is broader than the proposed change and we provide additional instructions in this response, and
2) The exception that would apply to some integrating resources that become serials *and also* may have had what would be considered major changes to the title proper for a serial is likely too complex to accommodate in RDA. We suggest deferring any action on this subset for now. If it proves to be necessary, it could be handled by local/consortial practice. We would appreciate feedback from the ISSN community on how frequently this situation might occur, and will follow with interest how the issue is covered in the revised *ISSN Manual*.

Proposed Changes

Change 1: RDA 1.6 revisions.

The reciprocal nature of the sections (e.g., a change to 1.6.2.1 necessitates a reciprocal change at 1.6.3.1) was overlooked. In retrospect, we believe these reciprocals are unnecessary and propose to remove them for simplicity. We've incorporated the ISSN proposal to forgo creating new descriptions where applicable. We have not included the ISSN wording for what to do instead of creating a new description (that is not the purpose of 1.6), but have provided new instructions for recording information about changes of the mode of issuance in Change 2 and 3 below.

1.6 Changes Requiring a New Description
1.6.1 Multipart Monographs
1.6.1.1 Change in Mode of Issuance of a Multipart Monograph

Create a new description if a multipart monograph changes to a serial or an integrating resource (see 2.13).

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1.6.1.2 Change in Media Type of a Multipart Monograph

Create a new description if there is a change in the media type (see 3.2) of a multipart monograph.

1.6.2 Serials

1.6.2.1 Change in Mode of Issuance of a Serial

Create a new description if a serial changes to a multipart monograph or an integrating resource (see 2.13).

Exception

Do not create a new description if an online serial changes to an online integrating resource.

~~Create a new description if a multipart monograph or integrating resource changes to a serial (see 2.13).~~

1.6.2.2 Change in Carrier Characteristics of a Serial

[unchanged]

1.6.2.3 Major Change in the Title Proper of a Serial

[unchanged].

1.6.2.4 Change in Responsibility for a Serial

[unchanged]

1.6.2.5 Change in Edition Statement

[unchanged]

1.6.3 Integrating Resources

1.6.3.1 Change in Mode of Issuance of an Integrating Resource

Create a new description if an integrating resource changes to a multipart monograph or serial (see 2.13).

Exception

Do not create a new description if an online integrating resource changes to an online serial.

~~Create a new description if a multipart monograph or serial changes to an integrating resource (see 2.13).~~

1.6.3.2 Change in Media Type of an Integrating Resource

[rest of instructions unchanged]

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1.6 Changes Requiring a New Description

1.6.1 Multipart Monographs

1.6.1.1 Change in Mode of Issuance of a Multipart Monograph

Create a new description if a multipart monograph changes to a serial or an integrating resource (see 2.13).

1.6.1.2 Change in Media Type of a Multipart Monograph

Create a new description if there is a change in the media type (see 3.2) of a multipart monograph.

1.6.2 Serials

1.6.2.1 Change in Mode of Issuance of a Serial

Create a new description if a serial changes to a multipart monograph or an integrating resource (see 2.13).

Exception

Do not create a new description if an online serial changes to an online integrating resource.

1.6.2.2 Change in Carrier Characteristics of a Serial

[unchanged]

1.6.2.3 Major Change in the Title Proper of a Serial

[unchanged].

1.6.2.4 Change in Responsibility for a Serial

[unchanged]

1.6.2.5 Change in Edition Statement

[unchanged]

1.6.3 Integrating Resources

1.6.3.1 Change in Mode of Issuance of an Integrating Resource

Create a new description if an integrating resource changes to a multipart monograph or serial (see 2.13).

Exception

Do not create a new description if an online integrating resource changes to an online serial.

1.6.3.2 Change in Media Type of an Integrating Resource

[rest of instructions unchanged]

Change 2: Revision to 2.13.1.4 for recording changes in mode of issuance.

RDA 2.13.1.3 already includes an instruction to "Record as many terms as are applicable to the resource being described", but this instruction is relevant only to comprehensive descriptions with parts that have different modes of issuance, and not changes to the mode of issuance of a resource because the current instructions at 1.6 would result in new descriptions when a mode of issuance changes. If the ISSN proposal is accepted, there

would need to be an instruction in 2.13 to allow for the making of a note on a change in the mode of issuance.

2.13.1.4 Recording Changes in Mode of Issuance
Make a note on a change in the mode of issuance (see 2.17.12).

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2.13.1.4 Recording Changes in Mode of Issuance
Make a note on a change in the mode of issuance (see 2.17.12).

Change 3: Revision to 2.17 to add a new sub-type of note.

Changes in the mode of issuance of a resource need to be covered in this note, but it is possible that a cataloguer may see the need to make a note on mode of issuance when more than one is recorded, or for reasons other than a change (e.g., which part of a comprehensive description has which mode of issuance). We propose covering both concepts in a newly proposed note. We presume that the Note on mode of issuance should be 2.17.12, and that the current 2.17.12 (Note on Frequency) and 2.17.13 (Note on Issue, Part, or Iteration Used as the Basis for Identification of the Resource) should be renumbered as 2.17.13 and 2.17.14 respectively.

2.17.12 Note on Mode of Issuance
2.17.12.1 Scope
A *note on mode of issuance* is a note providing information on:
   details of the mode of issuance
 or
   changes in the mode of issuance.
2.17.12.2 Sources of information
Take information for notes on mode of issuance from any source.
2.17.12.3 Details on Mode of Issuance
Make notes on details relating to mode of issuance, if considered important for identification or access.
2.17.12.4 Change in Mode of Issuance
Make notes on changes in mode of issuance, if considered important for identification or access.
   EXAMPLE
   Formerly issued as a multipart monograph
   Current mode of issuance: serial

Discreet issues published from 2009-2012, additions after 2012 are integrated into a database of articles instead of issues
Current mode of issuance: integrating resource

Alternative

If the changes have been numerous, make a general note.
EXAMPLE
Mode of issuance varies

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2.17.12 Note on Mode of Issuance
2.17.12.1 Scope
A *note on mode of issuance* is a note providing details on:

the mode of issuance of a resource that has more than one mode of issuance

or

changes in the mode of issuance of a resource.

2.17.12.2 Sources of information
Take information for notes on mode of issuance from any source.

2.17.12.3 Details on Mode of Issuance for a Resource with More than One Mode of Issuance
Make notes providing details on the mode of issuance for a resource that has more than one mode of issuance.

2.17.12.4 Change in Mode of Issuance
Make notes on changes in mode of issuance, stating the modes and their respective dates in chronological order.
EXAMPLE
Discreet issues published from 2009-2012, additions after 2012 are integrated into a database of articles instead of issues
Current mode of issuance: integrating resource

Alternative

If the changes have been numerous, make a general note.
EXAMPLE
Mode of issuance varies