

# fcB2B Annual Meeting Day 2

Concourse Renaissance

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# Agenda – Day 2

- Welcome back with recap
- Full Circle Development
- WFCA entities
- Various topics
  - (S)FTP setup validation
  - fcB2B Retailers survey
  - Sample PO's
  - Reading the new v3 documents
  - Certification progress
  - Non-Standard price catalog
- Future Topics?

# Welcome back

- Document changes to be voted on
  - 832 changes – Change CAN to CAD, add examples to segments
  - 850 changes – Change CAN to CAD, remove note 1 and 2 on N1 to always send N3, N4 for BY and ST, add examples to segments
    - Reject the removal of FH – Fabricate and Hold, add note to indicate it is a manual process to release the order
  - 855 changes – Add note to MTX for sending URL for order tracking, note about priority of ACK statuses, add examples to segments
  - 856 changes – Add examples to segments, remove REF for qualifiers ZM and VR as they are not used
  - 810 changes – Change CAN to CAD, add code I710 to SAC (v2.3 & v3.2), add examples to segments

# Additional discussion

- 832 Update vs full catalog – updates need to continue, recommended that we add note to best practice to identify what attributes should generate an update
- 850/855 file naming – used to help with researching PO's needs to remain in place
- Web data vs 832 data – create a committee to include marketing people to discuss, fcB2B should own standards

# Version 3.2 status

- The Dixie Group and RFMS are certified
- QFloors and The Dixie Group are testing
- Mannington and Daltille close to being ready
- FlooringOS requested certification

## Don't you want to join the party?

# WFCA Entities

## World Floor Covering Association – wfca.org

- International Certified Flooring Installers (CFI) – [cfiinstallers.org](http://cfiinstallers.org)
  - Installation training for Installers and technical training for non-installers
- Natural Fiber Installation (NFIC) – [nficinstallers.org](http://nficinstallers.org)
  - Training on natural fibers for installers, salespeople, and inspectors.
- Floor Covering Industry Foundation (FCIF) – [fcif.org](http://fcif.org)
  - Provide financial support for families in the flooring industry battling catastrophic injuries, severe disabilities, or other life-altering medical crises
- Floor Covering Education Foundation (FCEF) – [fcef.org](http://fcef.org)
  - Bring awareness to the opportunities in the flooring industry around installation as a career
- Floor Covering Business to Business (fcB2B)
  - Provides a common language to communicate business critical documents

# Various Topics

- (s)FTP validation
  - Ensure security set correctly
  - Folders should be secured to only the company assigned
- fcB2B Retailer Survey
  - In process

# Sample PO's

- Sample PO's

- Committee formed to determine how best to support

Use Case: Special pricing available for products used to create in-house samples. The PO needs to be identified as a Sample PO so the receiver knows it requires special handling.

- BEG02 can identify Samples using code SP - Sample



# WFCA Software Matrix

- Survey sent to software providers
- Responses consolidated into Matrix
- <https://fcb2b.info/resources/files/>

Accounting				
AP / AR	✓	✓	✓	✓
Human Resources	✓	✓	✓	✓
Payroll	✓	✓	✗	✓
Taxes and Compliance	✓	✓	✓	✓
Supplier Invoicing	✓	✓	✓	✓
Budgeting	✓	✓	✓	✓
Job Costing	✓	✓	✓	✓
Asset Management	✓	✗	✓	✓
Inventory Management				
Inventory Management	✓	✓	✓	✓
Receiving	✓	✓	✓	✓
Barcoding Inventory	✓	✓	✓	✓
Supplier Purchase Orders	✓	✓	✓	✓
Product Management	✓	✓	✓	✓
fcB2B Integrations				
Product Catalog	✓	✓	✓	✓
PO / PO Ack	✓	⚠	✓	✓
Shipping Notice	✓	⚠	✓	✓
Invoice	✓	⚠	✓	✓
Price Check	✓	⚠	✓	✓
Order Status	✓	⚠	✓	✓
Related Items	✓	⚠	✓	✓
Stock Check	✓	⚠	✓	✓
Reservation	✓	⚠	✓	✓

# Certification Process for v3.2

- Getting started
- What is needed prior to requesting
- Process requirements
- Test scenarios
- Website profile updated

## **fcB2B X12 Document Support**

**X12 Certification Date:** September 13th, 2024

**X12 Certified Version:** 3.2

810 — Invoice: **Certified**

832 — Price Catalog: **Certified**

850 — Purchase Order: **Certified**

855 — Purchase Order Acknowledgement: **Certified**

856 — Advance Shipping Notice: **Certified**

997 — Functional Acknowledgement: **Certified**

# Non-Standard Price Catalog

- Some interest by suppliers
- One supplier told a software package didn't support
- Is this no longer a valid alternative?

# How to read the v3.2 standard

**ST**

## Transaction Set Header

Pos: 0100	Max: 1
Heading - Mandatory	
Loop: N/A	Elements: 2

**User Option (Usage):** fcB2B Must use

**Purpose:** To indicate the start of a transaction set and to assign a control number

### Element Summary:

<u>Ref</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Element Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Min/Max</u>	<u>Usage</u>
ST01	143	Transaction Set Identifier Code	M	ID	3/3	fcB2B Must use

**Description:** Code identifying a Transaction Set

**Code List Summary** (Total Codes: 321, Included: 1)

<u>Code</u>	<u>Name</u>
832	Price/Sales Catalog

ST02	329	Transaction Set Control Number	M	AN	4/9	fcB2B Must use
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**Description:** Identifying control number that must be unique within the transaction set functional group assigned by the originator for a transaction set

**fcB2B Note 1:** The number is sequentially assigned by the sender, starting with one within each functional group. For each functional group, the first transaction set control number will be 0001 and incremented by one for each additional transaction set within the group.

# fcB2B Marketing Update

- Champions
  - Individuals and organizations committed to technological advancements and to leading the industry into the future.
- Guides
  - Lend their voice and their expertise to collaborate, imagine, and ultimately create innovations that will shape the future of the industry.
- Users
  - Reap the benefits of using fcB2B to automate the exchange of information between their company and their suppliers.

# Future Topics

- New web service requests?
- Do we have appropriate attributes for hard surface?
  - Ceramic: PEI Rating, Porosity, Glazed or Unglazed

# Safe Travels