Qualifying for the Limited Connectivity Test

The Limited Connectivity Test is available to those trading partners who are already in production with either Florida or West Virginia using EDI according to Release 3 IAIABC standards. If the Limited Connectivity Test is successful, no further testing for the Virginia implementation is required.

For those trading partners who do not qualify for the Limited Connectivity Test, or for those who wish to take advantage of testing that is beyond the scope of the Limited Connectivity Test, the Full Test Plan as outlined in “Section 5 – Testing Requirements” of the Implementation Guide must be followed.

How to apply for Limited Connectivity Testing

- Trading Partner will submit trading partner agreement forms to editesting@vwc.state.va.us or edisupport@vwc.state.va.us in the same manner as those who anticipate conducting a Full Test (i.e. no earlier than 6 weeks prior to Go Live – for Wave A Carriers, August 15, 2008).
- Trading Partner indicates in the body of the e-mail and in the subject line – “Requesting Limited Connectivity Test.” Also, indicate
  - The State(s) with whom you are currently in production (Florida or West Virginia), and
  - The month and year when production began
- An e-mail will be sent from either editesting@vwc.state.va.us or edisupport@vwc.state.va.us indicating that the request has been accepted. Virginia’s Testing Partner will then contact the Trading Partner directly to initiate the steps outlined below.
- If the request for Limited Connectivity Testing is denied, an e-mail will be sent from either editesting@vwc.state.va.us or edisupport@vwc.state.va.us indicating the reason for the denial. Trading Partner must then fulfill the requirements of the Full Test Plan outlined in the Implementation Guide.

What happens in the Limited Connectivity Test

Once Trading Partner Agreement forms have been accepted,

b. Virginia’s Testing Partner will provide FTP and PGP information to the Trading Partner
c. Virginia’s Testing Partner will request the PGP encryption key information from the Trading Partner to begin testing
d. Virginia’s Testing Partner will determine the test date/window, and will communicate directly with the Trading Partner
e. Trading Partner will send a file containing 1 – 10 FROIs using the Virginia Workers’ Compensation Commission’s secure FTP with PGP connection at the predetermined time
f. Virginia’s Testing Partner will indicate whether the test has been successful, or will communicate any follow up requirements to ensure a successful test