

Bulletin Number: DC_IB_0031	Distribution Date: 7/14/20	Effective Date: 7/20/20
Contact Point: Metric® Support	Subject: Release Notice and Upcoming System Maintenance	
Reason: Starting July 20, Metric will begin a series of system updates and maintenance to improve the user experience.		

Greeting Metric Users:

Over the past few months, the Metric system has been experiencing sporadic system performance issues in some states. We recognize that these issues in some cases have grown more frequent, causing long load times and error messages for certain users. We have determined the two primary causes are:

- 1) Increasingly frequent API calls by third-party integrators. In certain instances, misuse of the API can cause a slowdown for all users, effectively clogging Metric with unnecessary data requests.
- 2) Large amounts of active data in licensee accounts. Active sales receipt, package, and transfer data sets are large in some states, impacting day-to-day functions as the system works through large portions of data no longer being used. In some cases, users have several years of data in their respective accounts that is no longer being used, but is part of their active data sets.

Starting July 20, Metric will begin a series of system updates and production releases to enhance our software and make the system faster and easier to use. See below for a summary and brief timeline of these enhancements.

Production Release (7/20)

The upcoming production release is currently in the testing environment and is primarily focused on fixes. Please find on the following pages a detailed description of the enhancements.

System Maintenance (7/21)

Metric will be conducting system maintenance to prepare for rate limiting and data optimization. This required maintenance may impact system performance between 8 to 11 AM CT. We encourage users to perform as much of their interactions within the Metric system outside the timeframe outlined. We do not expect Metric to be unavailable during that window, and if you experience any issues, please reach out to support@metric.com.

Rate Limiting (tentatively scheduled for the last week of July)

We will also be implementing an API best practice known as rate limiting later this month. Rate limiting caps the number of API calls a third-party integrator can make in a given amount of time to ensure all integrators are given an equal playing field and no single user or company can overwhelm the system.

Data Optimization (tentatively scheduled for the first week of August)

We will begin moving historical data – data that is finalized or finished – to separate locations to further optimize system performance. Once the optimization is complete, users will still be able to access that data within the current UI and “un-finalize” or “un-finish” data, if necessary. To maximize the benefits of data optimization, users are encouraged to finalize or finish sales receipts and packages that are no longer active. Metrc has provided users the ability to finalize sales, finish both packages and harvests. If you have any questions or need help with this process, please reach out to support@metrc.com.

We will send additional communications about these enhancements and of any impacts they may have on daily operations over the coming weeks. Please see the following pages for details regarding the 7/20 release.

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The remainder of this bulletin provides information on the latest enhancements to Metrc, which will become effective on July 20th, 2020. The enhancements are listed below.

- I. CSV Upload for Packages when creating a Transfer Manifest
- II. CSV Upload for Plant Additives
- III. CSV Upload for Immature Plant Additives

Detailed descriptions of each change are provided on the following pages:

New Feature: CSV Upload for Packages on Transfer Manifests

The ability is now available to use a CSV Upload to enter in multiple packages onto a transfer manifest. To begin this process navigate to the Licensed Transfers page and select “New Transfer” button as seen in **Figure 1**.

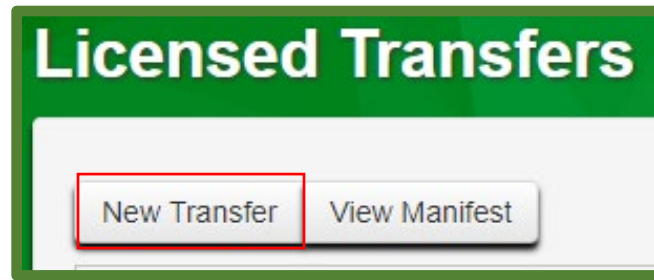


Figure 1: Select New Transfer

This will prompt an action window to appear where all of the required information regarding the transfer can be entered. There can now be seen an area to upload a CSV file with tags listed in a single column as seen in **Figure 2**.

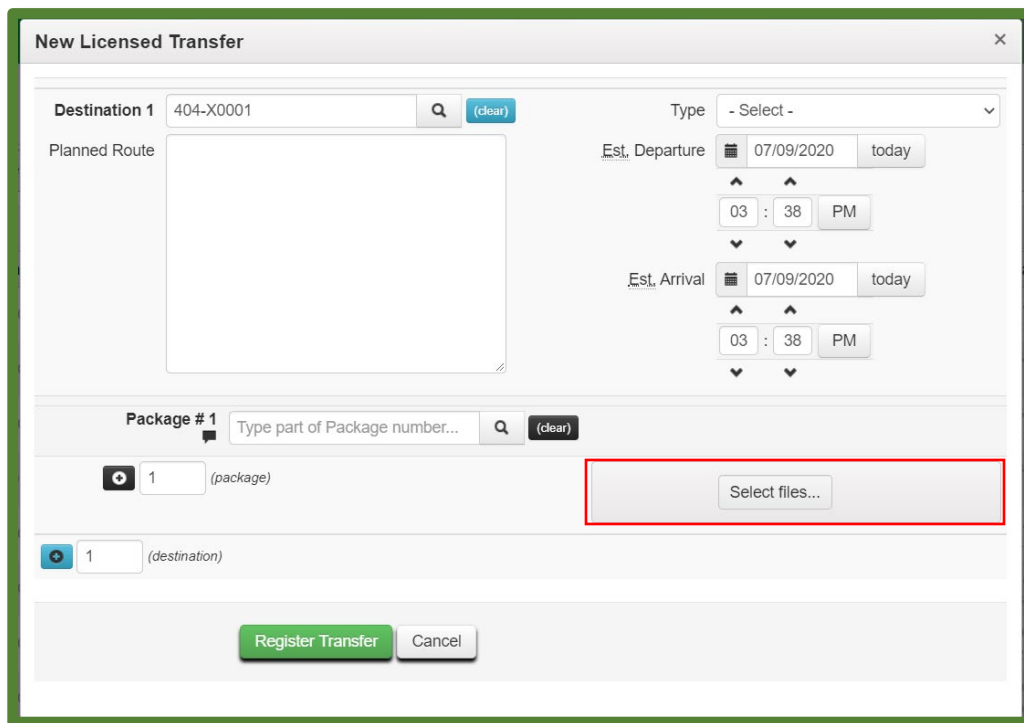


Figure 2: Select CSV File for Packages

Once the CSV file is selected, it will upload and then all of the packages listed in the file will appear on the manifest as shown in **Figure 3**.

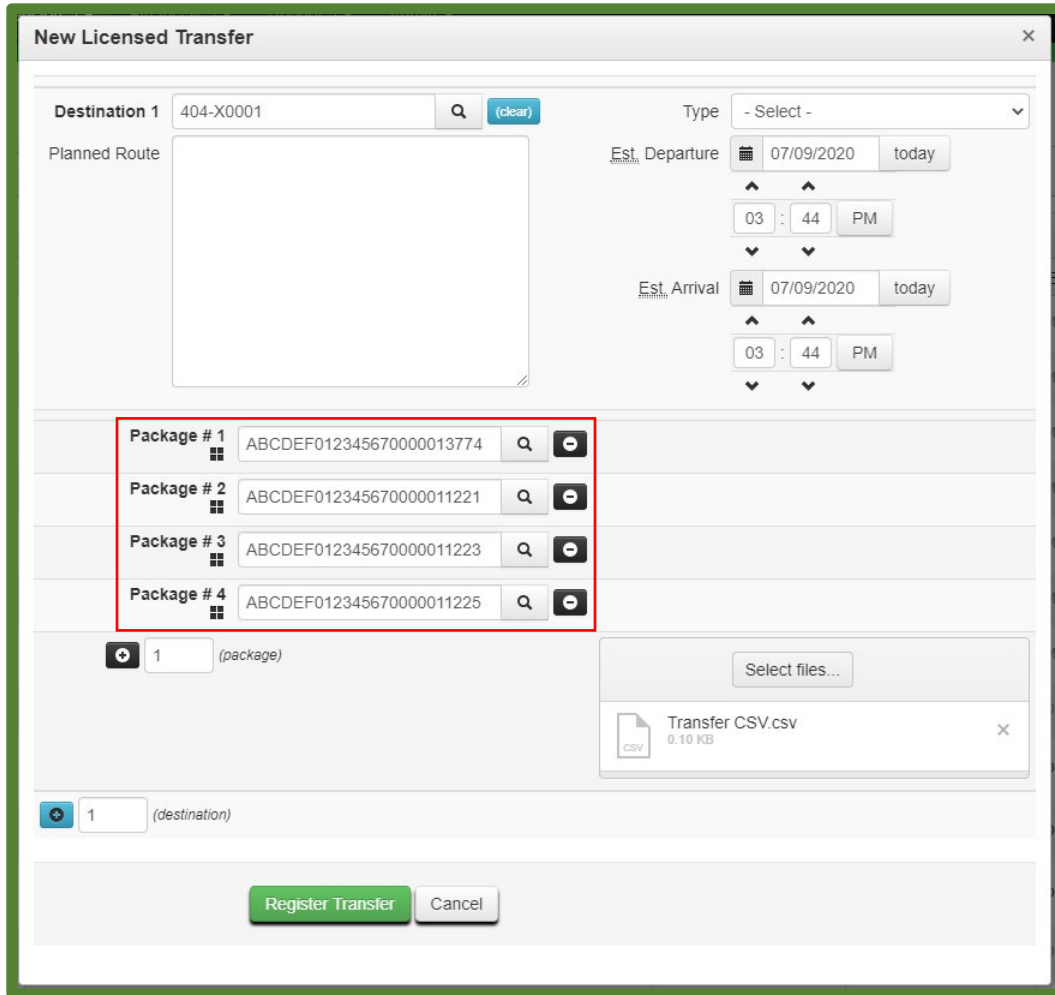


Figure 3: Successfully Uploaded Package CSV

Please note: If an attempt is made to upload a file that is in the incorrect format, or does not have valid package tag numbers, then an error will be received.

New Feature: CSV Upload for Plant Additives

There is now the ability to upload a CSV file to enter Plant Additives entries into the system. To begin, navigate to the Data Import screen by using the Import icon on the top navigational bar shown in **Figure 4**.

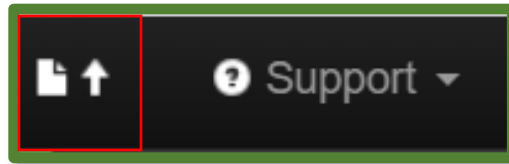


Figure 4: Data Import Navigation Button

Once on the Data Import screen, select the “Plant Additives” tab and select the CSV file that is being uploaded as seen in **Figure 5**.

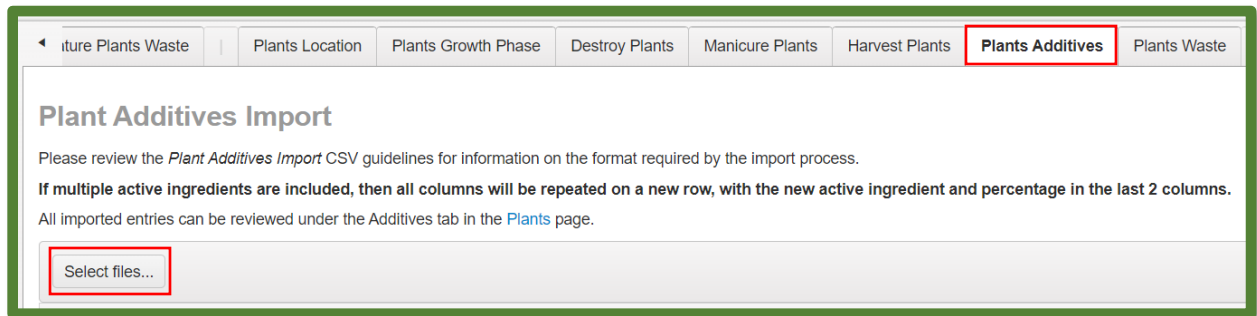


Figure 5: Select File Under Plant Additive Data Import Tab

*Please note: The CSV file should be in the correct format as seen in examples (shown in **Figure 6**) as guidance for the CSV to ensure there are no issues with the upload.*



Figure 6: Plant Additive CSV Columns and Example

Once the file is selected, it will appear with the “Upload” option, shown in **Figure 7**. By selecting the “Upload” option, the upload into Metrc is completed.

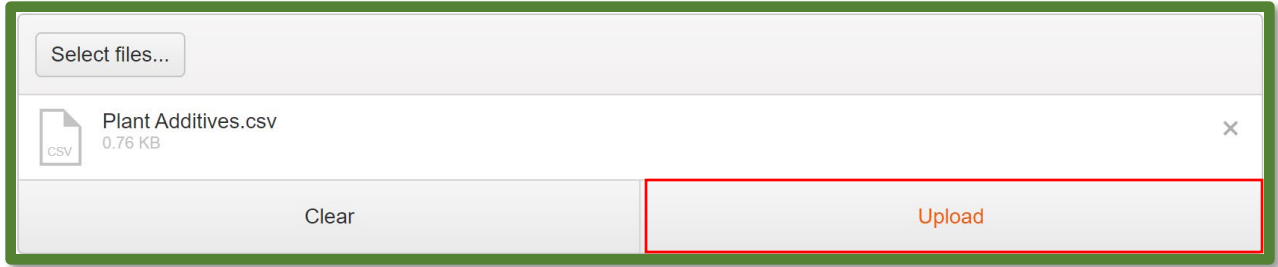


Figure 7: Complete Plant Additive CSV Upload

To verify that the CSV was uploaded successfully, it can be done through the table as seen below in **Figure 8**.

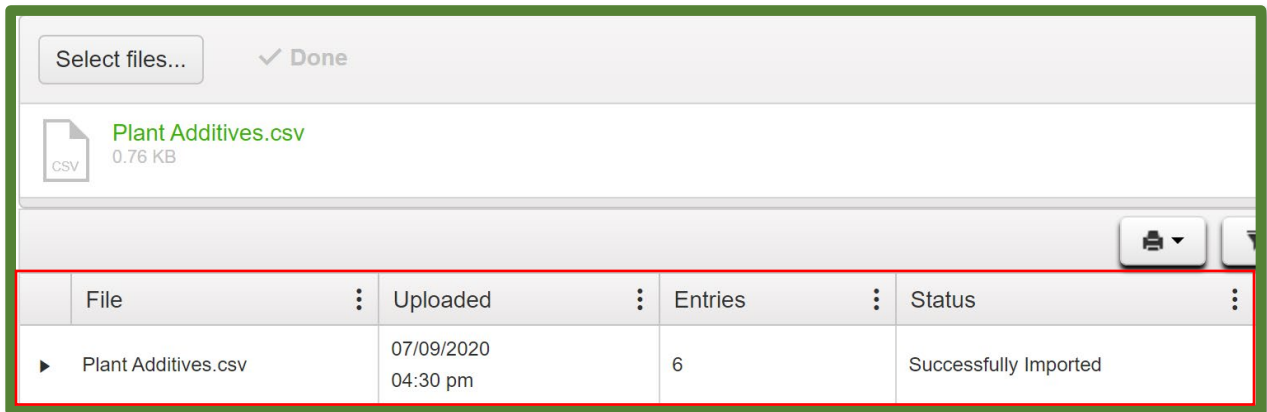


Figure 8: Verify Upload Information

New Feature: CSV Upload for Immature Plant Additives

The ability is now available to upload a CSV file to enter Immature Plant Additives entries into the system. To begin, I navigate to the Data Import screen by using the button on the top navigational bar shown in **Figure 4** above.

Once on the Data Import screen, select the “Immature Plant Additives” tab and select the CSV file that is being uploaded as seen in **Figure 9**.

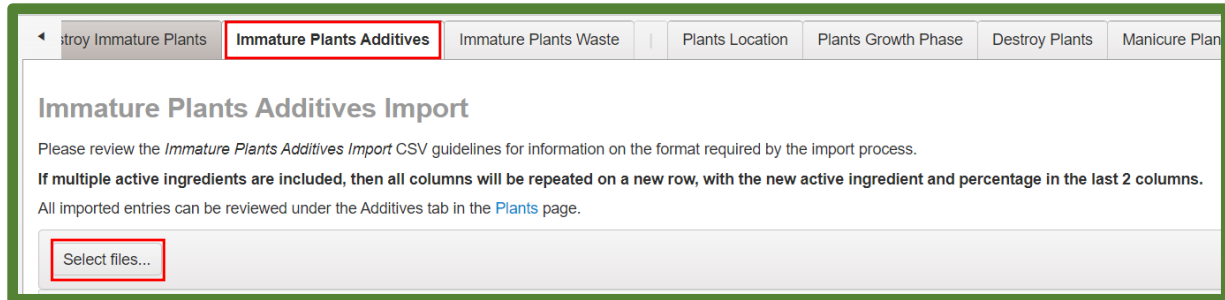


Figure 9: Select File Under Immature Plant Additives Data Import Tab

*Please note: The CSV file should be in the correct format as shown in examples (shown in **Figure 10**) as guidance for the CSV to ensure there are no issues with the upload.*



Figure 10: Immature Plant Additive CSV Columns and Example

Once the file is selected it will appear with the “Upload” option, shown in **Figure 11**. By selecting the “Upload” option, the upload into Metric can be completed.

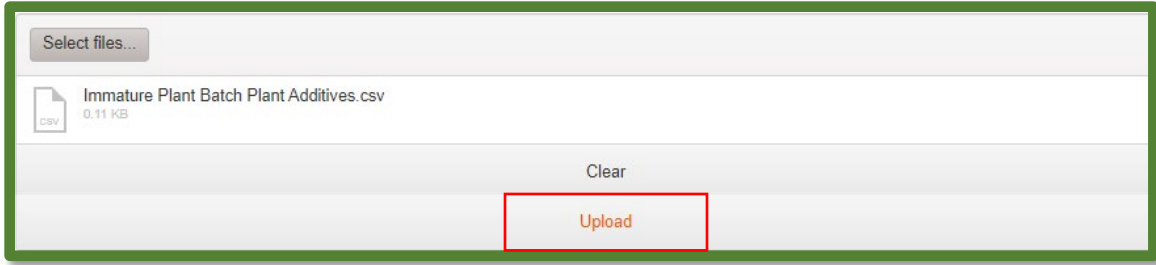


Figure 11: Complete Immatre Plant Additive Upload

To verify that the CSV was uploaded successfully, verify through the table as seen below in **Figure 12**.

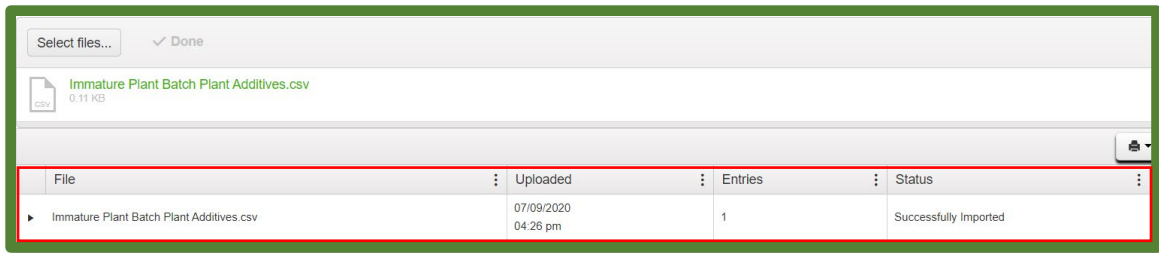


Figure 12: Verify Immatre Plant Additives Upload

Please feel free to contact Support at support@metrc.com or 877-566-6506 with any questions.