

# CHANGES IN GECS 4.70 PACKAGES

GECS version 4.70 started shipping July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

You can find the date of the last GECS package installed by looking in the file named PKGDATE.TXT located in your GECS program directory.

**The following lists major changes to this package. Back end code optimization and/or documentation changes are not always listed.**

## Known Issues

GECS uses special characters such as a ^ caret, ~ equivalency sign / tilde, @ At symbol, % percent sign and # pound sign for substitution. If your job also uses these same characters, you will need to enter them twice. i.e. ~VARIABLE~ should be entered as ^^VARIABLE^^.

## Changes in System Build: 4.70.2442 Administrator Build: 4.70.082

Jobs submitted from Batches that use vacation periods, can now be skipped and reschedule to a valid date and time after the vacation period has ended.

When using the SkipInvalidBatch registry entry GECS no longer generates event 82 – “Unable to reschedule job” when non-recurring jobs are configured with estimated minutes.

Jobs created without using the batches folder can now be run “Ignore All Dependencies”, which will also ignore time. This is now the same behavior as jobs created using the batches folder.

## Changes in System Build: 4.70.2405 Administrator Build: 4.70.082

A new service program was added to GECS to monitor the System Manager program. The GECSWDOG will send email notifications when necessary.

The option to drop tables has been removed from the GECS uninstall program.

A new substitution variable @AGENTDESC for agent description has been added for job substitution

The gecsdump utility has been modified to export jobs that are pending for a specified agent.

When using SFTP, MGET and MDELETE options are now working as designed.

Internal changes were made to improve the way GECS launches jobs.

The web client was modified to allow jobs to be properly terminated from the jobs list view.

## Changes in System Build: 4.70.2326 Administrator Build: 4.70.077

A new way to use an ODBC Connection String has been added. This new way does not require a DSN be created on the agent computer(s) where the job will run. To use this method, enter \*USECOMMENT in the DSN Name field of the ODBC Connection and enter the ODBC Connection String in the Comment

field.

Added a new substitution variable for agent description @AGENTDESC

The client only installations now includes most all of the GECS text command line utilities.

A new command line text utility GECSBDEL was added to allow users to delete a batch.

### **Changes in System Build: 4.70.2263 Administrator Build: 4.70.071**

The GECS Client only and Agent only installations on Windows 7 no longer display an error message when the installation is complete.

Most of the GECS command line utilities are now included in the “Client only” installation.

Changes were made to the Client only installation where it can now correctly communicate with the System Manager program. This corrected false messages such as ‘the system manager is not running’.

When using special characters that GECS uses for substitution, you can now enter the special characters twice and GECS will not try and substitute them.

### **Changes in System Build: 4.70.2242 Administrator Build: 4.70.070**