The Release 5.1 Documentation section of the website is providing an advance view of the Release 5.1 NPAC SMS Specification Documentation.  This documentation is associated with NPAC SMS Software Release 5.1 which is scheduled for Production Release in all Regions on February 6, 2022

Release 5.1 plan is as follows:

* Test Plan preparation and connectivity – 3Q-4Q ‘21
* Vendor testing begins – 1/1/22
* Vendor testing complete – 1/31/22
* Flash Cut weekend – 2/6/22
* Note: All systems across all regions will need to be functioning on the new interface when the NPAC exits the maintenance window.

This Pre-Production Review Copy of the NPAC SMS Specifications is provided for planning and user testing of the NPAC SMS Release 5.1 software functionality.  These Pre-Production Review Copies of the Specifications are located in the main body of the Software Releases page just below the NPAC 5.1 Release Implemented Change Orders.

If no issues are discovered with the 5.1 deployment, then the most recent version of the Pre-Production Review Copy of the documentation will become the final version of the Release 5.1 NPAC SMS Specification Documentation and will be moved to the grey box (FRS/IIS/EFD/XML Documents) in the top right hand corner of the Software Releases page.

The Vendor Certification and Regression Test Plan was updated to incorporate:

* CO 554 - Turn-Up Test Plan – Doc Only
* CO 555 - XML LSMS Query Recovery

 An updated version of the Test Plan chapters now appears on the website. The only changes were additions to incorporate testing of the schema version minor (2 test cases added to Chapter 17 Section 8 – Security – CO 555) and testing of new Suspend Mode for XML (6 test cases added to new Chapter 18 – CO 554) interface.