# UPI Implementation

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## Speakers Introduction

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#### Overview

- ► 500 + MLSs in the country
- 7 just in San Francisco Bay Area
- Overlapping borders, to maximize exposure agents enter listings into multiple systems
- Total number of listings across all MLSs that we data share with :
  - 12,391,286 (coming from all data shares, 200K+ agents )
  - Duplicates Since 2010 113,797
  - ► 5 listing were entered 7 times ,
    - ► 160  $\rightarrow$  6x, 608  $\rightarrow$  5x, 4535  $\rightarrow$  4x
- CRMLS, TheMLS other data shares



## Wouldn't it be nice?

- Wouldn't It be nice if there were no duplicate listings and accurate market stats?
- Wouldn't it be nice if an agent had a complete view of property history regardless where it was sold?
- Wouldn't it be nice to simply have clean, complete, reusable property data?
- Wouldn't it be nice to enrich MLS dataset with data related to the sale of the property (appraisals, liens, loans, offers, permits)?

## Why Standards ?

- Proprietary PMID (Property Master ID) to tie listing history ( no well-defined APN or addresses, no de-duping)
- PMID does not correlate with outside sources
- Cannot use it for Data Share
- Decided to follow RESO standard for Data Share
- The Universal Property Identifier (UPI) is a unique, ubiquitous and decentralized reference ID, useful for correlating property information in disparate systems.



## Implementation Overview

Example Universal Property Identifier (UPI)

- US-04015-N-R-11022331-N
- UPI Requires Reliable Parcel Number Data
- Assigning a UPI to a Listing Requires Data Matching
  - Relaxed parcel number and address matching
  - Exact matching is a luxury, not a necessity
- Measuring Success

- Lillick D 313-16-021 13-15-021 13-15-019 313-15-02 313-15-019 313-16-017 313-15-0 313-15-023 13-16-01 15-025 Clydebank Ct 313-16-015 313-15-032 313-16-012 313 313-15-033 313-16-012 313-15-030 313-15-034 313-16-011 313-16-011
- Confidence Score measures the quality of a parcel number match
- Accuracy Score measures the quality of UPI assignments to listings
- Synthetic UPI Failure Is An Option

#### Iterative Approach



More details on each iteration in the UPI Work group meeting on Thursday

### UPI Metrics - How Did We Do?

#### Completeness

- ► Total Listings: 8,941,150
- ► UPIs Assigned: 8,390,160
- UPI Coverage: 94%

#### **UPI Accuracy**

- ► UPI Perfect Matches: 7,455,958 (83%)
- UPI Partial Matches: 934,202 (11%)
  - Parcel Number Accuracy: 7,811,301 (87%)
  - Address Accuracy: 8,008,255 (89%)
- Synthetic UPIs
- ► 550,990 (6%)



UPI Perfect Matches,83

#### Business Use Cases Addressed



• Listing De-duplication/De-Triplication

- Connecting History for listings of the same property sold in different MLSs
  seeing the forest and the trees..
- De-duping within the History

### What's Next ?

- Standardize and preserve property info
  - Geography: latitude and longitude
  - ► APN
  - Disclosures from previous listings on this property by UF
- Extend UPI coverage to 2.35M (21%) nonresidential list
- Integrating with other data sources based on UPI
  - Off MLS sales, CRS
  - Visualizing sales history, building heat maps
  - External to MLS data (financial, permits, offers, showings, etc. CALL ME!!)
- ULI & UOI tune in R&D workgroup



ListingID	Year	Duplicate	City	Zip
BE40418915	2009	No	Fremont	94538
BE40602798	2013	No	Fremont	94538
BE40735070	2016	No	Fremont	94538
ML81579423	2016	Yes	Fremont	94538
BE40958906	2021	No	Fremont	94538

# Thank you!

FOR MORE DETAILS ON IMPLEMENTATION JOIN UPI WORK GROUP SESSION FOR MORE DETAILS ON ULI/UOI JOIN R&D WORK GROUP SESSION