

# 1 Introduction

The Digital Data Exchange, LLC (DDEX) has, in the past defined a series of message suite standards to make the communication of information along the digital music delivery chain more efficient. As part of these messages is the communication of [Release](#) details, including information about their parts, i.e. resources (such as sound recording or videos).

Such descriptions can, however, vary between different uses. For instance, the description of a [Release](#) that contains a single video ringtone track would differ greatly from the description of a [Release](#) representing a digital equivalent of a 10-track pop album with previews.

In order to aid companies that only wish to communicate a small subset of the types of products that the “full” DDEX standards allow, DDEX has developed a series of “profiles”. This standard defines a set of profiles that define how to use Version 4 of the Electronic Release Notification Message Suite Standard to express the most common types of [Releases](#).

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