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Interactive Custom Report Writer



Introductions



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What is the Interactive Custom Report Writer?



- It's a new report writing tool
- Brings powerful Business Intelligence capabilities to operational reporting
- WYSIWYG
 - A WYSIWYG (pronounced "wiz-ee-wig") editor or program is one that allows a developer to **see** what the end result will look like while the interface or document is being created.
- Enables user to pivot and filter data – easily
- Drag-n-Drop columns and fields
- Live Preview
- Grouping, subtotaling, formatting and column calculation
- Export to
 - PDF
 - Excel
 - PowerPoint

Power of the Tool



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Define Refine Prompts

Reporting ar... Q ↑↓ »

Order Entry

- Order entry transaction c
- AP bill detail
- Billed order entry trar
- Billed purchase order
- Class
- Customer
- Department
- Employee
- Employee expense d
- Item
- Location

Order Entry - Open Orders

Time run: 9/12/2018 7:06:59 AM

Table

Location ID	Location name	Customer Name	Document ID	Document number	Date created	Date due	Item ID	Item description	Quantity	Unit	Line Amt	Warehouse ID	Status
10	Texas #10	Alarm City	Sales Order-SO-0040	SO-0040	9/11/2018	10/11/2018	B100	B100	2.00	Each	\$400.00	Main	Active
							C100	Alarm System	1.00	Each	\$1,000.00	Main	Active
10 Total									3.00		\$1,400.00		

Selection Steps

See as you build

Drag and drop

Powerful calculations

Pivot tables!

Export to Excel

Add to menus/dashboards

Prompt for User Input



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Add a column prompt

Create Refine Prompts

Definition

Add prompts for users when they run this report.

Prompt Label	Type	Prompt For	Description	Required
Page 1	Page			
Customer Name	Column value	Customer Name		

When a user runs the report, the system prompts them

Customer name --Select Value--

- ☐ (All Column Values)
- ☒ 1st Alerts Inc.
- ☒ 2ND WAVE, INC.
- ☐ 3 Systems Corporation
- ☐ A&W Trade Marks Inc.
- ☐ A.L. JORDAN HEALTH CENTER

Search...

System filters the report

Invoice number	Date	Customer name	Account	Account title	Transaction amount
INV0356	4/11/2015	1st Alerts Inc.	4020	Revenue - Maintenance	2500.00
			4050	Revenue - On Demand Subscription	150000.00
			4060	Revenue - On Demand Support	7500.00
INV0329	1/15/2016	2ND WAVE, INC.	4020	Revenue - Maintenance	2500.00
			4050	Revenue - On Demand Subscription	75000.00
			4060	Revenue - On Demand Support	1875.00

Add a Calculation Column



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Calculation column

Calculation Bins

Folder title

Column title Days to pay

Totals row Default

Selections

Reporting areas

- AP Bills
 - AP bill detail

Calculation

"AP bill".WHENPAID-"AP bill".WHENDUE

Vendor name

Bill number

Total due

Due date

Date fully paid

f(...) Filter... Column Variable + - x / % () ||

Number of days to pay each bill

Date fully paid – Due date

Add columns to the calculation

Vendor name	Bill number	Total due	Due date	Date fully paid	Days to pay
ACE PARKING	56438	0.00	4/13/2016	4/30/2016	17.00
	APINV-0336	0.00	2/14/2016	2/29/2016	15.00
	APINV-0672	3350.60	2/14/2016		
ADP Easypay Northern California	payroll	25000.00	4/4/2016		
AMBROSIA SOFTWARE INC	APINV-0350	0.00	3/16/2016	3/31/2016	15.00
	APINV-0686	0.00	3/16/2016	3/31/2016	15.00
Accolo Inc	APINV-0671	0.00	2/14/2016	2/29/2016	15.00

Use Functions in Calculations



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Calculation column

Calculation Bins

Folder title

Column title

Totals tow

Selections

Reporting areas

AP Payments

Calculation

CASE WHEN ("AP Payment"."PAYMENTTYPE"='Credit Card')
THEN "Creditcard"."DESCRIPTION"
ELSE "Bank Account"."BANKNAME"
END

f(...) Filter... Column

If Payment method is Credit Card
Then display credit card Description
Else display Bank name

Displays the financial
account in a single column

Bank name	Description	Financial account	Payment method	Payment Date	Amount
	American Express	American Express	Credit Card	8/23/2016	350
Sterling Bank		Sterling Bank	EFT	3/31/2016	38,385
				4/30/2016	31,403
Wells County Bank		Wells County Bank	EFT	9/14/2016	1,350
			Printed Check	1/31/2016	50,668

Drill down to Source Document

Customer Name	Location name	Date	Date due	Document ID	Invoice Total
AMC Theaters Mercado					
AMC Theaters Mercado					
Alarm City					
Alarm City Total					
JIT Chemical Corp					
JIT Chemical Corp Total					
Sun Microsystems - EB					

Sales Invoice

Transaction History Payment details

AMC Theaters Mercado 20 (CUST-00103)

Transaction date	Date due	Item totals	Subtotals	Transaction total	Transaction status	Payment status
09/10/2018	09/25/2018	680.00	0.00	680.00	Closed	Open

Date
09/10/2018

Customer
CUST-00103--AMC Theaters Mercado 20

Project
--

Document number
INV-0088

Bill to
AMC Theaters(CCUST-00103)

125 Market Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Ship to
AMC Theaters(CCUST-00103)

125 Market Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Payment terms
Net15

Date due
09/25/2018

Reference
--

Message
--

Ship via
Customer Pick Up

Attachments
--

State
Closed

taxid
--

Print/Email

Pay

Edit

Done

More actions

Pivot Tables and Time Hierarchies

	Houston				San Jose	
	Professional Services			Sales	Professional Services	Sales
	Total			Total	Total	Total
		2015	2016			
1 st Alerts	9000	1,500	7,500	3,300	2,100	1,700
2 nd Wave	12,000	6,700	5,300	5,400	2,300	4,400
Goodwill	16,800	9,000	7,800	14,800	24,000	6,000
Customers	Total of all Invoice Amounts for Period					

Let's Take A Look



A close-up photograph of a person's hand, wearing a blue long-sleeved shirt, interacting with a laptop and a smartphone on a desk. The hand is positioned over the laptop's trackpad, with the index finger touching it. A smartphone is placed next to the laptop, and the person's thumb is resting on its screen. The background is blurred, showing a bright, indoor setting.

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Frequently Asked Questions - Interactive Custom Report Writer





- How do I get access to the new Interactive Custom Report Writer?
 - There are two ways the Interactive Custom Report Writer can be purchased. Please contact your Account manager for the details.
 - • Interactive Custom Report Writer: With this module your company has access to the full capabilities of the new report writer and can enable users to create, edit, delete and run reports.
 - • Interactive Custom Report Writer – Run Only: With this module your company can leverage partners or SIG to create reports for you. With this lower cost option, you can only enable users to View and Run reports.
- Will the current Custom Report Writer be available after the new one is released?
 - Yes, the current Custom Report Writer will continue to be available for the foreseeable future.
- Is Custom Report Writer easy to implement?
 - Yes. No implementation or implementation costs are required.
- Can I make a copy of a standard report and then add fields, filters, etc.?
 - We currently don't have a way to edit standard reports. But, you can replicate many of the standard report in the new Interactive Custom Report Writer.



- What user roles are available, and are the number of users unlimited?
 - There are no limits on the number of users for the Interactive Custom Report Writer.
 - • Business Users - Add, edit, delete and run reports
 - • Employee Users – Only run reports
 - • Project Manager - Add, edit, delete and run reports
 - • Platform – Only run reports
 - • CRM – No need for either
 - • Warehouse - Add, edit, delete and run reports
 - • XML – Only run reports
- What permissions will I need to access the Interactive Custom Report Writer?
 - The Interactive Custom Report Writer has its own set of permissions.
- How are permissions handled for reports?
 - When reports are created or viewed, data is presented based on object permissions as with the current Custom Report Writer.
- Are there report-specific permissions? Will I be able to control who can access individual reports?
 - Yes. You will be able to control access to individual reports.



- How will performance compare to the old report writer?
 - Creating reports using the Interactive Custom Report Writer is much quicker than the current customer report writer, and we expect report generation to be somewhat quicker than is experienced today.
- Will I be able to edit or move my current custom reports into the new Interactive Custom Report Writer?
 - Existing reports need to be maintained through the current Custom Report Writer. However, if you wish to enhance your reports by leveraging the new Interactive Custom Report Writer functionality, you may recreate the report in the new tool.



- Will I be able to create more complex calculated columns?
 - **Yes.** Interactive Custom Report Writer offers a wide array of sophisticated options for generating calculated columns. Calculated columns can include functions and formulas.
- Is there a list of all the system fields and their field names for the report writer?
 - **Though there is no list, objects are grouped into meaningful “Reporting Areas”, and there is a Search feature to make it much easier to quickly find the field you need for a report.**
- Will I be able to create pivot table reports?
 - **Yes.** Pivot tables are one of the many report formats.
- Will I be able to show periods in columns based on a transaction date?
 - **Yes.** Using time hierarchy and pivot table functionality you can view (and drill down) data across time.

Can I?



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- Will it be possible to add reports to menus?
 - **Yes.** You can add and remove new reports onto application menus.
- Will I be able to memorize reports?
 - **Yes.** You can to memorize reports.
- Will it be possible to add reports to dashboards?
 - **Yes.** You can add new reports to dashboards.
- Will I be able schedule and email reports?
 - **Yes.** The reports are scheduled and distributed in the same way that current custom reports are.
- Will I be able to export reports to Microsoft Excel spreadsheets?
 - **Yes.** Export to Microsoft Excel spreadsheets is available when you are creating the report or once it's been created from the report list screen.
- Will formulas/calculations be included when I export to Microsoft Excel spreadsheets?
 - **No.** Only report data will be exported to Microsoft Excel spreadsheets.
- Will I be able to include custom fields in my reports?
 - **Yes.** You can include Custom fields in your reports.

Interactive Custom Report Writer Positioning

Two different types of buyers:

In-House Power User

No In-House Power User

Report Builder

- **Build reports quickly and easily** – visual, easy field selection, drag and drop, formatting, and subtotals, permissions
- **Address complex needs** – math functions, case and if statements, rolling sums, trend analysis, and more
- **Create interactivity** – chain reports together, eliminate need for spreadsheets

Report Consumer

- **Interactive analysis** – filter, sort, select and move columns, and pivot
- **Understand meaning** – drill-down, summary and detail views, move between related reports
- **Share or export report view** – PDF or Excel for further data integration BI analysis

Next steps



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- ✓ The slides and recorded link will be emailed to you by September 13
- ✓ Subscribe by 9/30 and receive a 20 percent discount on the Interactive Custom Report Writer
- ✓ For questions, call or email Jocie Dye at 267-419-1141 or jocie.dye@CLAconnect.com

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