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MOVING UP

“This is a fully integrated

EARLIER THIS YEAR, ARCTOOLS HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO HELP DELIVER AN UPGRADE FROM JD EDWARDS ENTERPRISEONE E811 SP1 TO VERSION E9.0 FOR TRANSMED S.A.L., WHO ALSO UPGRADED THEIR HARDWARE AND DATABASE PLATFORMS AT THE SAME TIME. ARCTOOLS WAS ABLE TO DRAW ON ITS EXPERTISE IN ARCHIVING JD EDWARDS DATA TO HELP MAKE THE PROCESS AS PAINLESS AS POSSIBLE.

A Faster and Easier Upgrade with ArcTools

ArcTools and Transmed worked together to reduce the quantity of data to be converted, which in turn shortened and stabilized the upgrade. “ArcTools helped us achieve a smooth and efficient upgrade with minimum disruption,” noted Said Arnous, CFO of Transmed S.A.L.

The project was divided into the following milestones:

- Platform porting from Windows to Unix
- Database conversion from SQLServer to Oracle
- Implementation of ArcTools purge and archive solution
- Upgrade from JD Edwards EnterpriseOne Release 8.11 to E9.0
- Implementation of Oracle Red Stack
- Retrofitting of old Customizations and GoLive

Transmed was then able to archive more than 30 percent of its production database.

Data purged and archived in first archive run:

JDE Module	Module Records
Accounts Receivable	992 957
Accounts Payable	43 963
General Ledger	1 616 762
Sales	22 846 888
Purchasing	115 168
Inventory	501 469
EDI	41686
TOTAL:	26 158 893

A Quick Return on Investment

It is important in any upgrade project to extract the maximum amount of client information with a minimum impact on client resources. ArcTools can help with this using pre-defined, functional questionnaires, defined planning structures and application profiling.

ArcTools can also be installed and supported remotely, which offers clients flexibility in terms of timing, and significantly reduces the impact on the internal IT team. For example, at Transmed, ArcTools was implemented parallel to the hardware upgrade project.

archive/purge tool...”

Reducing Database Size

Transmed now has in place regular data purging and archiving procedures, keeping data at an optimal level.

This has led to a significant decrease in the load on the hardware, CPU utilization and ultimately RAM consumption. Times for daily reports and general data queries have also significantly improved as database maintenance is now faster and easier.

Operational Process	Before Runtime	After Runtime	Performance Benefit
Stock & Sales Report	12 hours	6 hours	50%
Sales Update Report	22 minutes	5 minutes	>75%

Transmed's IT Team can now focus its daily activities on more productive tasks than basic maintenance and backups.

Any needed future upgrades will also be quicker and easier. "This is a fully integrated archive/purge tool," said Arnous. "The ArcTools methodology delivers an excellent return on investment."

About ArcTools

ArcTools is the leading Purge and Archive solution for JD Edwards EnterpriseOne and World software. ArcTools was developed by recognized JD Edwards experts Whitehouse Consultants in collaboration with JD Edwards.

ArcTools delivers a set of standard, preconfigured rules to enable quick and efficient purging and archiving. These rules ensure that data integrity is protected and that the configuration can easily incorporate client specific custom requirements.

ArcTools is easy to understand and use which guarantees a short implementation time. Almost 300 JD Edwards customers have chosen ArcTools for their archiving requirements.

UPGRADE AT-A-GLANCE:

Challenges

- Remove non-active historic data
- Ads inherited integrity issues
- Speed up database conversion prior to upgrade

Benefits

- Rapid ROI
- 30% of production data archived
- Data integrity protected
- Quicker safer upgrade
- Operational savings on maintenance and processing power
- Safe
- Flexible
- Easy to use

Technical Details

- 11gR2 EE (11.2.0.1.0 - 64bit) Partitioning, RAC, ASM

About Transmed S.A.L.

Founded in 1946, Transmed is a regional sales, distribution and bottling organization, operating in Lebanon, UAE, Jordan, Syria and Africa.

With a long standing expertise in logistics, Transmed helps some of the world's leading FMCG brands to be present and successful in traditional and non-traditional sales channels.