

PEOPLESOFT ENTERPRISE COLLABORATIVE SUPPLY MANAGEMENT



Internet-enabled collaboration between buyers and sellers.

Improved customer service from your suppliers.

Lower inventory and cost optimization across the supply chain.

Oracle's PeopleSoft Enterprise Collaborative Supply Management provides to your suppliers realtime access to strategic planning, inventory, and replenishment information from back-end ERP systems. Your organization gains improved business collaboration, supplier response capability, and employee productivity. By means of this internet-enabled collaboration buyers and sellers can work inter-actively, sharing the same view of data across the internet.

The benefits of such collaboration include faster and more accurate decisions made with less effort, which result in improved customer service from suppliers, lower inventory, and cost optimization across the supply chain.

Suppliers use these transactions to track planning, inventory, and replenishment information, removing the burden from your employees of constantly analyzing and communicating this information. By providing suppliers with up to the minute status inquiries, Collaborative Supply Management increases the strategic value and efficiency of your supply chain.

Through Oracle's PeopleSoft Enterprise Supplier Portal suppliers can access Collaborative Supply Management transactions, and they can customize the navigation according to the role-based security features of the Supplier Portal. This enables them to grant appropriate access to their own employees, removing the administrative burden from your employees. At the same time, your employees retain the power to maintain supplier employees if necessary. And you always maintain control over which suppliers have access to your site, and which data they can view and change.

Collaborative Planning Schedule

The Collaborative Planning Schedules transaction enables customers to take advantage of the internet to improve collaboration with their suppliers. With Collaborative Planning Schedules, you can build, maintain, and collaborate on your supply plan. Suppliers can access the planning schedules through the Supplier Portal from the Recently Dispatched Schedules pagelet, which is displayed on the Supplier Portal home page or from the portal navigation menu.

Suppliers can view, approve, or suggest changes to the schedule and dispatch the final version back to the scheduler. Both you or the supplier can exchange alerts through email, which can be generated from within the application.

Oracle's PeopleSoft Enterprise Purchasing and PeopleSoft Enterprise Planning provide the data for the supply schedule. Purchasing provides purchase order data and Planning provides planned purchase order data. The system can classify supply schedule quantity balances by day, week, or month and can project out into a specified date in the future. A schedule reflects the demand requirements for an item

that will be purchased from a vendor and is needed at an inventory business unit.

The scheduler/buyer uses the scheduler's workbench to create and maintain the schedule —manipulating planned purchase order, purchase order quantity, and due date information. When he is comfortable with the schedule, he builds the schedule and dispatches it to the supplier.

Using the supplier's workbench, the supplier can review the requirements to determine whether to accept, decline, or suggest changes. Once the supplier is comfortable with the data, he approves the schedule. If necessary, he can rebuild and dispatch the supply schedule multiple times. At the conclusion of the collaborative process, the scheduler can convert selected planned purchase orders into purchase order schedules or make adjustments to existing purchase orders if necessary.

Inventory Quantity Balances

The View Inventory Quantity Balances function provides an inquiry within the supplier portal that enables suppliers to view quantity balances for consigned items, such as quantity on hand, quantity owned by vendor, and quantity available.

Suppliers can also:

- Search for items by specific inventory business units, vendor ID, item category, or a specific item.
- Sort items by percentage remaining above reorder point, vendor ID, business unit, item, and category.
- Drill down to each item and review replenishment parameters such as quantity on hand, reorder point, reorder quantity, safety stock, EOQ, and so forth.
- Inventory balanced for critical items can be displayed in a bar chart form on the Supplier Portal homepage using the Remaining Quantity Balance pagelet. The pagelet can be set to display items with inventory levels closest to their reorder points, and suppliers can use it to further drill down into the item's replenishment details.

Kanban Requests

Suppliers can use this feature to view vendor-sourced replenishment requests that are outstanding or have just been dispatched. Kanban requests can be sorted and filtered, and those already viewed can be hidden. Suppliers can:

- Drill down to view details of each listed Kanban request.
- View creation, dispatch, and receipt date information.
- Review the current status of each Kanban request.

Security Features

Oracle's PeopleSoft Enterprise Supplier Portal delivers role-based security, limiting access to the transactions and information granted to the user.

Organizations can administer security to external users in a distributed environment. This enables the employees in your organization who understand supplier relationships to define and approve external user IDs and their associated roles. You can create additional supplier roles and establish security profiles on an as-needed basis. Suppliers can access only data transactions related to their vendor ID.

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