

ORACLE ENVIRONMENTAL ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING

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KEY FEATURES

- Capture of energy usage and other environmental data directly in existing Oracle E-Business Suite ERP transactions
- Asset-based tracking of fuel usage and other consumables as they are issued
- Capture and report data at both the facility and asset level
- Calculation of greenhouse gas emissions in accordance with the Greenhouse Gas Protocol
- Classification of scope 1, 2 and 3 emissions
- Store date effective emission factors for recalculation usage
- Easily change and update emission factors
- Automatically determine the correct transformation factors
- Data warehouse for data aggregation
- Pre-built analytics and dashboards
- Flexible reporting structures
- Ability to define key performance indicators

Oracle Environmental Accounting and Reporting enables organizations to track their greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and other environmental data against reduction targets, and facilitates environmental reporting for both voluntary and legislated emissions reporting schemes. The solution manages this function from within the existing ERP system and utilizes Oracle Business Intelligence to provide immediate insight into an organization's environmental data to identify and manage CO₂ and cost reduction opportunities—providing rapid ROI.

Introduction

Across the globe, companies are facing increasing pressure to improve the efficiency and reduce waste in their operations, and this is increasingly associated with legislation regarding the impact of their operations on the environment. These pressures—both internally and externally—drive a requirement to provide sustainability related data that is comprehensive, auditable, and timely. Global mandatory as well as voluntary reporting schemes require companies to undergo extensive and expensive data audits, to maintain a ledger of up-to-date emissions factors, and to be able to compare figures on an annual basis. Existing “ad hoc” approaches utilizing manual or niche solutions have a high operational cost and weak data security and audit-ability. The ideal solution is to embed environmental related data acquisition and reporting into the mainstream of business operations and associated IT infrastructure. This is precisely what Oracle Environment Accounting and Reporting is designed to do.

Oracle Environmental Accounting and Reporting enables organizations to capture environmental data either electronically or manually; convert that to greenhouse gas emissions; comply with mandatory and voluntary greenhouse gas reporting schemes; and to identify opportunities for CO₂ emissions and cost reductions. As an add-on module to Oracle E-Business Suite Financials which seamlessly integrates with existing Accounts Payable business flows, Oracle Environmental Accounting and Reporting delivers these capabilities without the duplication or double handling of transactions and data, which is intrinsic in other approaches.

Automate Environmental Data Collection

Oracle Environmental Accounting and Reporting extends the invoice, purchasing and inventory processes to enable the capture of the necessary data, automatically matching this with the associated transactions. This can be augmented with additional data from smart meters, fleet management systems or from any other sources that capture the transactions including spreadsheets. This approach presents users with a familiar and consistent experience while ensuring data security, accuracy, and consistency. The solution supports all of the flexible organizational structures native to the ERP application, including separate facilities, combined facilities, by legal structure, or by management structure. This allows an organization to view and report the data as needed. Similarly the data can also be associated with a particular asset to enable more detailed analysis of usage patterns.

KEY BENEFITS

- Reduced environmental data management and audit costs
- Compliance with regulatory mandates for GHG reporting
- Rapid production of environmental reports for internal and external use, including for the Carbon Disclosure Project (CDP)
- Reductions in CO₂ and operational cost reductions
- Leverage existing IT investments
- Minimize organizational impact
- Maintain data integrity and security
- Consistent user experience
- Rapid time to value

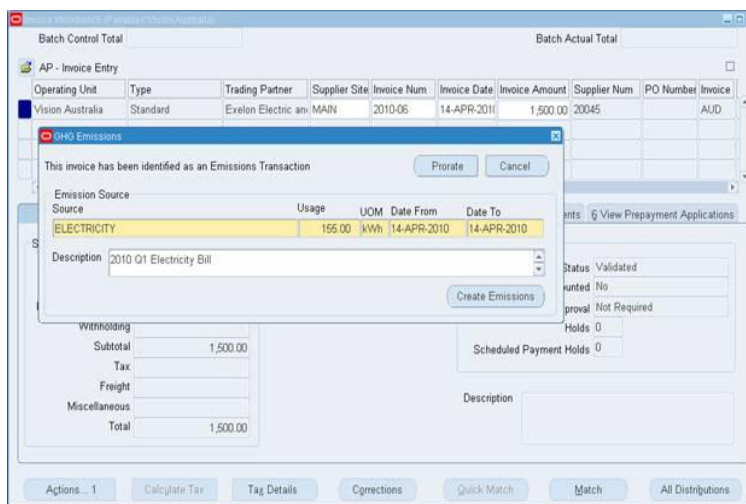


Figure 1. Data capture for emissions calculations during the processing of an invoice.

Calculate and Classify Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Oracle Environmental Accounting and Reporting provides the built-in mechanisms for calculating emissions and classifying them as scope 1, 2, or 3 using the Greenhouse Gas Protocol guidelines published by the World Resources Institute, the most widely adopted methodology for calculating greenhouse gas emissions.

Emission transformation factors are stored and can readily be updated over time with date effectiveness to manage the change of emissions factors and for recalculation purposes. When the transactions are entered the system automatically determines what additional data needs to be captured to perform the emissions calculations and associates the transaction with the appropriate default emission factor. If a more accurate emissions factor is available for a specific transaction the end user can override the default as needed.

Comply with Mandatory and Voluntary Schemes for Greenhouse Gas Reporting

Increasingly organizations are looking to accurately communicate greenhouse gas emissions and other environmental impacts to constituents including regulators, customers, shareholders and employees. Regional regulatory mandates such as the Carbon Reduction Commitment (CRC) in the United Kingdom and Australia's National Greenhouse and Energy Reporting (NGER) Act require accurate and transparent greenhouse gas reporting.

Information voluntarily disclosed to organizations such as the Carbon Disclosure Project (CDP) also needs to be provided with a high degree of confidence in order to protect an organization's credibility and brand. Practitioners are realizing that the manual spreadsheet-based processes lack the necessary efficiency, security, and reliability.

Identify and Drive Opportunities for CO₂ Emissions, Energy, and Other Reductions

Measuring performance and setting targets is a critical component for organizations to become more productive, more profitable, and more sustainable. Monitoring key metrics such as energy, waste, and water lead to greenhouse gas emissions reductions generally hand-in-hand with operational efficiency improvements and cost savings. When armed with factual data organizations can benchmark and affect behavioral change to reduce environmental impacts.

Pre-built Oracle Business Intelligence Enterprise Edition (OBIEE) dashboards enable the dynamic generation of reports providing emissions summaries and trends at the touch of a

RELATED PRODUCTS

- JD EnterpriseOne Environmental Accounting and Reporting
- Oracle Business Intelligence Enterprise Edition (OBIEE)
- Oracle Financials
- Oracle Enterprise Asset Management
- Oracle Asset Tracker
- Oracle Inventory

button—including for the Carbon Disclosure Project. Users can drill down into additional levels of detail and they can also perform ad hoc analyses to investigate specific data trends and anomalies—rapidly identifying issues and opportunities alike.

Oracle Environmental Accounting and Reporting enables organizations to establish a baseline of its greenhouse gas emissions, energy usage, and other key environmental indicators and set reductions targets. Graphical indicators illustrate to users on a timely basis whether the organization is performing above, below, or in-line with the targets so that corrective actions can be taken as needed to successfully execute on sustainability initiatives. The data also serves as the basis for forecasting and planning.



Figure 1. Pre-built business analytics dashboards providing data driven insight and identifying issues and opportunities.

Product Requirements

Oracle Environmental Accounting and Reporting is available for Oracle E-Business Suite version 12.1 and higher. It has been developed using the native technology of Oracle E-Business Suite, backed by a common business analytics layer developed in Oracle Business Intelligence Suite Enterprise Edition Plus, which is a required technology component.

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