

JD Edwards EnterpriseOne Buyer Workspace

The Issue: Accessing Rapidly Changing Information in Changing Markets

The role of the buyer takes on dramatically new importance in a demand-driven market. With unpredictable demand and mounting pressure to minimize inventories, maintaining the security of supply requires access to the latest data on customers, suppliers, orders, and inventories throughout the supply chain. In this volatile environment, buyers have the responsibility to ensure the timely flow of information and materials necessary for efficient response to changing markets and customer demands.

The Solution: Integrated, Real-Time Views Tailored to Buyers' Needs

Oracle's JD Edwards EnterpriseOne Buyer Workspace gives you comprehensive order, customer, supplier, and inventory information from a single, intuitive source. It enables your buyers to tailor their view of information to their unique responsibilities and processes. Alert-based messaging capabilities help you "manage by exception," so you can devote time and energy to addressing potential bottlenecks before they occur. As supply chain conditions change, you can take the needed action to ensure a smooth flow of orders and information throughout your partner network.

Streamline Daily Responsibilities

Buyer Workspace improves the efficiency of day-to-day tasks such as purchase order processing. You can create, route, and approve purchase orders online and track purchase order status as it evolves. If changes to an order exceed the tolerance levels you have defined, you can review the change and accept or reject it. You have instant access to the latest information on:

- Orders awaiting acknowledgement
- Orders awaiting shipment
- Purchase order status
- Inventory levels

Eliminate Bottlenecks, Slowdowns, and Shortages

Buyer Workspace provides proactive alerts that inform you of order and inventory conditions that are approaching critical thresholds. Rather than waiting for conditions to deteriorate before you take action, you can proactively identify problems and address them before they affect operations or customer requirements.

Adopt Pull and Lean Procurement Methodologies

The dramatic efficiency improvements of pull and lean procurement have buying organizations eagerly seeking ways to implement processes such as supplier release

PRODUCT HIGHLIGHTS

- Simplify user access to critical information
- Adapt to evolving market conditions
- Decrease inventory levels

FEATURE OR FUNCTION HIGHLIGHTS

- Proactive alerts
- Purchase order acknowledgment
- Receipt inquiry
- Receipts routing
- Supplier release scheduling
- Kanban
- Simplified portlet definition

scheduling, Kanban, and vendor-managed inventory (VMI). Buyer Workspace simplifies these processes, thereby increasing inventory turns, improving cash management, and enhancing customer service.

Quickly Identify Exceptions that Require Immediate Action

With Buyer Workspace, you have the tools to spotlight changing supply chain conditions that require immediate attention. System-generated reactive alerts notify you of critical issues with your suppliers, inventories, and production schedules. You have information you need to take corrective action to meet customer expectations and maintain profits.

Keep Users Apprised of Real-Time Status and Developments

Alerts enable you to monitor order progress as transactions move throughout your supply chain. You can use that information to inform customers of any changes in delivery schedules and establish realistic expectations.

Improve Ongoing Communication with Suppliers

Successful collaboration with suppliers is essential for maintaining your flexibility in a volatile market. Buyer Workspace offers information alerts that foster two-way communication with your suppliers so that you can forge tighter, more strategic relationships. You can share critical information traditionally exchanged through phone calls, mail, and fax—eliminating costly delays and ensuring that the right person has the right information at all times.

Solution Integration

This module is designed to be integrated with these JD Edwards EnterpriseOne products across your operations using common tools and a pure internet architecture:

- JD Edwards EnterpriseOne Financial Management – General Ledger
- JD Edwards EnterpriseOne Manufacturing – Manufacturing Management
- JD Edwards EnterpriseOne Supply Management (Procurement)
- JD Edwards EnterpriseOne Supply Chain Execution (Logistics)
- JD Edwards EnterpriseOne Project Management
- JD Edwards EnterpriseOne Address Book

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