PITSS MODERNIZES “THE MEN’S WEARHOUSE” TUXEDO RENTAL APPLICATION

“We upgraded our Tuxedo Rental application, used in more than 1200 stores and 7 distribution centers in North America with more than 7000 end users, from version 6i to 11g to benefit from a centralized application deployment architecture; with all the added values provided by the WebLogic Technology.”

Tim Woleben, Sr. Director of Tuxedo Technology, The Men’s Wearhouse, Inc.

Executive Summary
Men’s Wearhouse converted their Tuxedo Rental Oracle Forms application to the latest release: Oracle Forms 11g. Men’s Wearhouse has about 700 Forms modules and 300 Reports that have been converted from Version 6i to 11g. In this conversion Men’s Wearhouse were aided by Oracle partner PITSS, who used their tool PITSS.CON, to automate the upgrade in a fraction of the time it would have taken to convert manually.

The Business Drivers
Besides being on the latest supported platform, Men’s Wearhouse utilized the PITSS.CON Multilanguage functionality to transform the Tuxedo Rental Application enabling French language support for the Canadian based Moores stores. Moving to the 11g platform is an essential step for The Men’s Wearhouse to continue enhancing the application functionality and effectiveness of a modern customer driven application. As a result, this upgrade makes Men’s Wearhouse more internationally competitive.

Upgrade Project
Compared to a traditional ‘object by object’ upgrade or migration approach, The Men’s Warehouse utilised the PITSS.CON software, which provides a repository-based approach to perform changes to all application objects at once. This gives the ability to enable a widespread set of tasks to ‘cleanse’ and re-engineer existing Forms applications prior to any given upgrade. This preparation phase allows for a significantly easier upgrade or migration process and improves maintainability after the conversion is complete.

About The Men’s Wearhouse:
Founded in 1973, Men’s Wearhouse is one of North America’s largest specialty retailers of men’s apparel with 1,239 stores. The Men’s Wearhouse, Moores and K&G stores carry a full selection of designer, brand name and private label suits, sport coats, furnishings and accessories and Men’s Wearhouse and Tux stores carry a limited selection.

About PITSS America
PITSS is a global leader in Oracle Modernization specializing in Oracle Fusion Middleware Developer Tools (Forms, Reports, JDeveloper / ADF, Application Express) and WebLogic Server.

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