Case Study

Boart Longyear ™ Changes Oracle® E-Business Suite Chart of Accounts and Inventory Valuation with Software

Client

Boart Longyear Limited

Profile

Boart Longyear is a global company headquartered in Salt Lake City, Utah, and is listed on the Australian Securities Exchange in Sydney, Australia. Sales in 2012 were more than US$2 billion, and the company employs approximately 8,500 employees worldwide. Contract drilling services are conducted in more than 40 countries, and drilling products are manufactured in six global factories and sold to customers in 100+ countries.

Boart Longyear operates a single global instance on Oracle® E-Business Suite (EBS) Release 12 for all of its worldwide operations. The Oracle footprint includes the full suite of EBS applications including financial, manufacturing, distribution, project management and enterprise asset management.

Challenges

Boart Longyear separated its global supply chain from its product sales organization in order to gain greater visibility and control over costs. This required the creation of a new business unit value in the second segment of the global chart of accounts. It also required reassigning the business unit value in existing inventory orgs and sub-inventories and all of the associated inventory records and transactions.

The traditional way to accommodate this in Oracle would have been to either:

• Create new inventory orgs and sub-inventories and convert the data from the old to the new, or
• Close out all active transactions, move the inventory out, reassign the business unit and then move the inventory back.

Both options would require significant time and cost and introduce material risk to Boart Longyear operations.

Solution

eprentise® expertise and Reorganization software allowed Boart Longyear a third option to directly update their Oracle configurations and transactions without needing to move inventory or convert any transactions.

Results

The project was completed on schedule and on budget with no issues.

• The project lasted four months from inception to cutover for production.
• Boart Longyear dedicated four FTE's (full-time employees) to the project.
• In addition, 20 + users were engaged to assist with testing and validation during the final user test and during the actual production cutover.
• The production transformation went very smoothly following two test runs.
• Total time and effort represented less than half what was estimated without the use of eprentise software.

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