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# Accelerate

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Presenting CD Group's Accelerate: The quickest and easiest way to add the power and efficiency of Oracle® Business Intelligence analysis and reporting to your JD Edwards application.

**Your business has questions, CD Group Accelerate delivers answers.**

Are you fully leveraging the investment and data generated by your JD Edwards environment? Can you quickly answer business questions by simply dragging and dropping information in business terms your company uses? Do your current solutions enable real-time monitoring of your critical performance metrics?

If you answered no to any of the questions above, your business will benefit by implementing CD Group's Accelerate offerings for JD Edwards, leveraging the power of Oracle BI.

- **Pre-Configured templates for fast results:** Accelerate BI offerings are pre-mapped templates built around the primary subject areas in JD Edwards, considerably reducing the amount of time required to complete the project. Standard implementations can be completed in three to four weeks, with users working with their data in the second week.
- **Multiple Delivery Capabilities:** Ad-Hoc reports, Interactive Dashboards and Alerting Mechanisms can be viewed on the web, or exported to other applications such as Word, Excel, and PDF. Content can also be burst to users via email or mobile devices.
- **Analyze without IT:** CD Group's Accelerate templates are tailored to leverage your business terms and naming conventions. Complex JDE data relationships are already accounted for, allowing end users to be self-sufficient in answering their own business questions simply by dragging and dropping to get the answers they want.
- **Extensibility:** Leveraging the Oracle BI platform in conjunction with CD Group Accelerate offerings allow any customer the ability to evolve their BI footprint. Customers can add additional Accelerate subject areas, or develop their own extensions at their own pace. For those customers looking for increased performance along with write back capabilities for budgeting and planning, Accelerate Plus is offered by integrating the power of Essbase. Graduating to a data warehouse via Accelerate DW (created with ODI) or the Oracle BI Analytics can further supplement the end user experience by optimizing data structures.

See reverse side for a list of Frequently Asked Questions.

### Why CD Group

CD Group delivers Business Intelligence (BI) solutions using our Accelerate project approach to help you gain insight into your business while helping you gain self-sufficiency and keeping budget and scope control highly predictable. CD Group has been a partner of JD Edwards since 1993, and became a Titan Award winner in 2009.

We have been delivering BI solutions since 1999 and also offer a full range of Oracle software and services. CD Group seeks to understand your company's needs and will provide fast, cost effective and high quality solutions in order to achieve a fast return on your investment.

To request additional information please call (678) 225-2600, or email [bi@cdgroup.com](mailto:bi@cdgroup.com).

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## Frequently Asked Questions

### 1. What is CD Group Accelerate for Oracle Business Intelligence (BI)?

CD Group Accelerate for Oracle® BI is a solution that leverages predefined data relationships and templates in various subject areas including Sales, Inventory, General Ledger, Accounts Receivable, Accounts Payable, Purchasing, Fixed Assets, and Payroll analysis. These frameworks connect to your JD Edwards environment using the OBIEE platform, providing a quick implementation and deployment approach, while keeping the necessary flexibility to fit your business requirements.

### 2. What is CD Group Accelerate Plus for Oracle BI?

Like CD Group's Accelerate offerings, Accelerate Plus leverages the same predefined data relationship templates, only with the added power of Essbase cubes. These cubes enhance the end user experience with faster response times, and allow write back capabilities to analyze various "what if" scenarios for planning and budgeting. This OLAP tool also provides Excel add-in capabilities for slicing and dicing of the cubes within the comfort of Excel.

### 3. What is CD Group Accelerate DW for Oracle BI?

Accelerate DW offerings leverage Oracle Data Integrator (ODI) to extract data from JD Edwards and load it into a fully conformed data warehouse. The structure of the data warehouse is optimized into a star schema structure for better handling of large data sets. The OBIEE end user platform then sits on top of the data warehouse, giving end users the same capabilities that exist in the base Accelerate offering, only with better performance.

### 4. What are the Software and Hardware requirements to implement CD Group's Accelerate models successfully?

The Accelerate models run on Windows 2003 server. For Hardware, see the bullets below. These are just recommendations, as specifications can vary.

- **Processor:** Quad Core Xeon E5420 Processor 2x6MB Cache, 2.5GHz, 1333MHz FSB
- **Memory:** 8GB 667 MHz (4x2GB), Dual Ranked Fully Buffered DIMMs
- **Hard Drive:** 250 GB 7.2K RPM Serial ATA 2Gbps 3.5-in HotPlug Hard Drive – Quantity 3

### 5. What am I actually paying for when I buy Accelerate?

The Accelerate repository contains the primary field mappings and the relationships that live within JD Edwards tables, connecting directly to JD Edwards environments. It also contains business naming conventions of the data rather than the technical JD Edwards naming conventions such as F4211, F4102, F0006...etc. Starting this process from scratch would require hundreds of hours to accomplish per subject area.

### 6. What databases are supported by Accelerate?

This offer is a database independent solution. It is supported with any version of MS SQL Server, Oracle, DB2, and others.

### 7. How will Accelerate understand my user-defined JDE settings, such as category codes and date patterns?

Prior to the project start date, customer will complete the Accelerate Repository Variables document / questionnaire. This document provides CD Group with all the needed information to properly configure the system to fit your JDE parameters.

### 8. How long does it take for data to be available for reporting using Accelerate?

Accelerate was developed with quick deployment in mind. Users should be able to create dashboards and reports within the first two to three weeks from the project start date.

### 9. Is Accelerate customizable? Can I bring data from additional sources into the model?

Absolutely. Accelerate can be customized to fit your needs beyond the original model. These customizations, however, fall outside of the "Phase 1" portion of the project, and need to be discussed and scoped on a per case basis.

### 10. Can data security be implemented using Accelerate?

Accelerate can be configured to support group, job function and user level security. Security can be applied at an Object level, or at a row level within an individual report.

### 11. Is any training involved in this offer?

Yes. The bulk of the project is working with your end users so that they become self-sufficient in creating their own end user content. Our consultants will also perform administration training so that the customer can own day to day maintenance of the BI environment, as well as understanding how to apply security. The client should be able to perform daily operations and administration after completing the training.

### 12. Will CD Group consultants perform the work on-site or remotely?

That's your call. We should be able to perform all the work remotely, but we are available to work on-site if necessary.

### 13. How do I learn more or get in contact with CD Group?

To request a personal demonstration or to learn more about any of CD Group's offerings, call (678) 225-2600 or email [bi@cdgroup.com](mailto:bi@cdgroup.com).

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