



Case Study

Industry: Leading Multinational Company
Operating System: OS390
Data Structures: DB2
VSAM

Many of the company's worldwide financial reporting systems and the General Ledger system reside on an IBM OS/390 platform running CICS, VSAM and DB2. These financial applications are accessed and used by company personnel throughout the United States and the rest of the globe.

The company recently implemented the tcACCESS solution to provide streamlined access to legacy based financial reporting systems.

The company maintains financial reporting data on OS/390 based VSAM and DB2 subsystems. There was a need to be able to easily access this information and share it with worldwide financial users via the web in Excel spreadsheet formats. Prior to the implementation of tcACCESS this data was only available in detailed G/L reports and had to be re-keyed into various spreadsheets used for analysis and reporting. This manual effort was very time consuming, error prone and did not provide the most current available data.

tcACCESS will be used to provide simplified SQL based access to the needed legacy mainframe data.

Using tcACCESS, the company was quickly able to access data from VSAM and DB2 and provide it to Excel users via the web. With the bi-directional capabilities of tcACCESS, authorized users can both view and modify the data interactively in real-time all from the Excel spreadsheet. "With tcACCESS, the legacy based financial data was quickly and easily extended to users in real-time, information that otherwise would not have been readily available when needed."

tcACCESS has provided a robust and effective solution to the company's requirement for accessing and integrating legacy based applications and data. The legacy-based systems can now be leveraged with modern Internet and access technologies increasing both the usability and reach of mission critical systems and data.

Production use of the product:

MS-EXCEL: Access to legacy mainframe data from the Web in a spreadsheet format. Implementation is bi-directional. Legacy data will be read from a EXCEL spreadsheet and updates will be performed to the mainframe data.

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