

FMS-ONRAMP

High Speed Data Retrieval

FMS II

FMS-ONRAMP, from Mitchell Humphrey, is a high-speed data retrieval connection between FMS II and Cognos PowerPlay, a multidimensional analysis tool. It provides users with a graphical interface to define the data to be retrieved and then transfer it from FMS II to PowerPlay. The retrieval can be defined and executed in a few minutes!

Once retrieved, the data is immediately available for display in PowerPlay. The full range of PowerPlay capabilities—drill down, drill around and multi-level consolidations—is instantly available in tabular and graphical formats.

THE SOLUTION FOR QUICK DATA ANALYSIS

FMS-ONRAMP introduces a new and exciting suite of functions that eliminates the major drawbacks of other multidimensional analysis, EIS and data warehousing systems. Such systems have long been hampered by two major deficiencies:

1. Defining retrievals is so time consuming and complex that an information systems specialist is needed to create them.
2. Data retrieval may often take hours, thus requiring overnight batch processing to make new data available to the user.

Contrast this with FMS-ONRAMP, which allows retrievals to be defined and performed in minutes. The FMS-ONRAMP technology makes it practical for all users, from clerical to executive, to access the data they need when they need it.

A REAL WORLD EXAMPLE

To appreciate the potential of FMS-ONRAMP, consider the following example. You want to analyze operating expenses for all departments within the organization, so in just a few minutes, you define and perform the data retrieval. Then, you start your analysis.

- You review total expense for each department, first compared with budget, then compared with prior year
- One department's expenses are high, so you drill down to view each of its line items

- You notice travel expense is over budget, so you examine its trend for the past 12 months
- You then view travel expense for all departments for the past 12 months to see if they, too, are over budget
- You create and print a line graph to show the trend of travel expense compared with budget for the past 2 years
- You also create and print a pie chart to highlight the percentage of budget represented by travel expense

In less than an hour, you have performed an extensive analysis and prepared illustrative outputs to present in your next meeting.

There are many more ways you can utilize the powerful features in FMS-ONRAMP to benefit your organization. For instance, you can review on-time delivery and shipment quantity variances for your key vendors. Or, you might review average time to pay, short payment frequency and profitability of your key customers.

THE RIGHT SOLUTION FOR YOUR ORGANIZATION

No matter what industry you're in or what function you perform, FMS-ONRAMP can have a positive impact on time, money and decision making.

For more detailed information about how FMS-ONRAMP can meet your organization's needs both now and in the future, call (800) 237-0028 or e-mail us at sales@mitchellhumphrey.com. Or, visit our web site at www.mitchellhumphrey.com.