

Customer Success Story

GL Wand for Oracle Takes the 'Man' Out of 'Manual' Financial Reporting



Excel4apps solution revolutionises the Transguard Group's ability to formulate financial reports with Oracle E-Business Suite

Even when manpower is what your business is all about, the last thing on your mind is to waste your own manpower in attempting to manually put together customised and sometimes extremely complex financial reports. This is why Transguard sought out a tool that enabled it to put the power back into the hands of its people.

Transguard Group is a large, dynamic and culturally diverse company with a workforce in excess of 55,000 people, the company provides four main lines of services, including Manpower Services, Security Services, Cash Services and Integrated Facility Services.

Near-instantaneous satisfaction

Carrie Barker, Head of Commercial Finance for Manpower Services at Transguard, explains the dynamic and diverse nature of the business; "We often have a huge number of reports to produce around everything from mobilisation to payrolls. We are utilising massive amounts of data, so keeping everything correct and properly reconciled is a big challenge."

Transguard had not been using the solution for that long before their users witnessed a significant time-saving in their report generation. "In the past, it could take us two hours to generate information that with GL Wand we can obtain almost instantaneously."

"The drill-down functionality offered by GL Wand means we can dive as deep down into the data as is required."

Carrie Barker,
Head of Commercial Finance

"Our team has discovered how much quicker and easier it makes reporting and this is only the start. Although only the finance department has access to it, our payroll team has expressed a desire to try it out, as have the project managers in the different business units."

"Accessing information instantly gives us time to search for anomalies and errors. Furthermore, GL Wand is an invaluable asset when it comes to drilling down into the data to perform the requisite analysis."

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Head of Commercial Finance

Complex reporting requirements

One of the key reports her department has to produce is that of Contract Profitability. GL Wand enables the team to pull data on queries for every contract, and note the revenue and cost associated with it.

"We also have to produce standard reports, such as Profit and Loss. Since every business unit has its own Profit and Loss report, GL Wand allows us to refresh the data automatically, thereby enabling us to see how each unit is performing in real-time."

In the past, Transguard's production of monthly performance reports took up to 15 days. The new solution has reduced this to around 10, thanks to the time savings it generates for each user throughout the reporting process."