



**Oracle's PeopleSoft ALM, ESA, FMS,  
SCM, and SRM Release 9.2 Release  
Value Proposition**

An Executive Summary of Oracle's FSCM v9.2 RVP, part II

# Executive Summary

## SCM and ALM 9.2

MIPRO's review and analysis of Part 2 of the 9.2 FSCM RVP covers noteworthy changes and new features related to SCM and ALM functionality. 9.2 FSCM design and functionality was designed with the guiding principles of simplicity, productivity and cost-of-ownership top of mind. 9.2 offers a significant suite of new functionality and a great deal of compatibility upgrades and user-interface refinements. The evidence that extensive design resources were devoted to usability, mobility and compatibility, a welcome sign that Oracle is taking a long-term perspective and is committed to keeping PeopleSoft ahead of the tech curve.

While some upcoming changes are relatively minor, many of the new features in SCM and ALM 9.2 integrate substantial changes in the look, feel and convenience of the applications, and others introduce powerful new functionality options. The list of changes and new features includes (but is not limited to) the following items:

### Supply Chain Management (SCM)

The SCM changes and additions described in Part 2 of the FCSM RVP include a range of new functionality and usability improvements in both Order to Cash (Order Management and AR/Billing) and Plan to Produce (Inventory and Manufacturing):

#### *Order to Cash (Order Management and AR/Billing)*

- Customer and/or product-specific price book now available
- New delta price book showing additions and deletions
- Users have the ability to deal with inactive items on RMAs
- Added RMA override of payment terms
- New ability to "unship" a line before billing
- Serial numbers can now be recorded for drop-shipped items.
- Integrated a contracts workbench function to quickly resolve problems
- Ability to change customer on pending contracts and change billing plans from contracts
- Template now available that checks contract limits
- Revenue processes can now be run in parallel
- New Billing Dashboard to assist managers
- Added Configurable Bill Entry page
- Improved Billing-to-PC interface
- Users can create multiple vouchers from an invoice with multiple lines in the AP interface
- Enhanced eBill portal
- Visual display of balances for hierarchically defined customers—eBill and AR
- Enhanced self-service onboarding and enhanced self-service payment process
- eCheck and PayPal payment methods now added
- Collections Workbench has been improved
- Enhanced conversions features and the ability to link with eBill
- New functionality in Interunit Billing: ability to close the receivable automatically when paid through an internal bank
- Maintenance worksheet enhancements
- Ability added to categorize doubtful items
- New ability to exclude Interunit customers from reports

- Users can run dunning reports by contract
- Condition Monitor enhancements
- New integration with PeopleSoft Pension Administration
- Streamlined approval workflow for write-offs
- Partial payment unpost functionality added

#### *Plan to Produce (Inventory and Manufacturing)*

- New time fence available for replanning
- Demantra interface has several new features
- Added the ability to limit planner by business unit, and to highlight planning messages in calendar
- Users can now drill down to two new production variance views to support the Cost Analyst and Production Manager
- Supply and Demand Center alerts now available
- Addition of PeopleSoft Mobile Inventory Management: includes 16 inventory transactions available for mobile devices
- New item change templates help standardize item changes and apply mass changes
- Introduces the ability to assign serial and lot-controlled items to specific work orders
- Added support for International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) accounting standards

### **Asset Lifecycle Management (ALM)**

*New and expanded Asset Lifecycle Management options in PeopleSoft 9.2 include an array of Plan to Retire upgrades:*

#### *Order to Cash (Order Management and AR/Billing)*

- Added multiple asset cost adjustment entries
- Improved PO and AP integration, including grouping POs and requisitions to a single asset
- Improved asset physical inventory functionality
- New disposal worksheet added
- All Project Costing chartfields now available to assets
- Integrated Geographic Information System (GIS) data that can be stored with asset
- Improved work order close functions
- Simplified work order print process
- New on-demand (one-time) PM work orders
- Added PM blackout day of the week, as well as a PM schedule workbench
- New links to asset GIS data
- PM maintenance notifications now available
- Users can view a visual display of work orders from asset hierarchy
- Added the ability to select items for reservation and picking up for better scheduling
- Provided access to the inventory allocation workbench
- Work order approval improvements added
- Streamlined tax calculations for real estate management
- Improved lease escalations
- Ability to update in-flight lease changes

As PeopleSoft users familiar with the above modules will recognize, many of the FCSM changes in PeopleSoft 9.2. are significant—and in some cases dramatic. From subtle tweaks and substantive upgrades, the functionality, usability and compatibility of 9.2 promises to represent an exciting leap forward for PeopleSoft.