

Decision Support Release Notes

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1. Finance

1.1 Modify Universe Join for Fixed Assets

Products Affected: Finance BusinessObjects Universe

Universe Affected: EDW – Finance Fixed Assets

Case Number: 20060616_569

Date Implemented: August 17, 2006

Description: Decision Support modified a universe join used by the Fixed Assets Universe for commodity data. Previously, the universe join was set-up assuming all fixed assets have a commodity code. Not all fixed assets have a commodity code, therefore there was potential for incomplete report results. Decision Support changed the previous join between T_CMDTY_CD and T_FA with a corrected outer join.

2. HR

2.1 Change Sourcing for Faculty Academic Title

Products Affected: HR BusinessObjects Universes
HR EDW Tables

Universe Affected: EDW – HR – Employee Administration
EDW – HR – Time and Attendance

Case Number: 20040726_600

Date Implemented: August 17, 2006

Description: Previously, Academic Title for Faculty was stored in EDW table T_FAC_HIST and sourced from Banner table PERBFAC. However, as a result of a Banner upgrade, Academic Title is now stored in Banner table PERACTL. In order to allow users to continue to report on Academic Title, Decision Support added a new EDW table (T_ACAD_TITLE_HIST) to store the Academic Title information found in Banner table PERACTL. In addition, the Faculty Academic Title object in the Employee Administration and Time & Attendance Universes were modified to source from this new EDW table.

2.2 Add Benefit/Deduction Information to Payroll Universe

Products Affected: HR BusinessObjects Universe

Universe Affected: EDW – HR Payroll

Case Number: 20060310_561

Date Implemented: August 17, 2006

Description: Previously, it was very difficult to determine if payroll deductions related to unions were union dues or fair share. To find this information previously, users had to write complex queries or look up each deduction amount in Banner to determine the type of deduction. To facilitate Payroll reporting on union deductions, Decision Support added additional benefit/deduction information to the Payroll Universe, allowing users to determine if union related deductions are union dues or fair share.

The following objects were added to the HR Payroll Universe:

- Person Benefit Ded Option 1 Code, sourced from
T_PERS_BNFT_DED_PLAN_HIST.PERS_BNFT_DED_OPT_1_CD
- Benefit Ded Plan Desc, sourced from
V_PERS_BNFT_DED_PLAN_HIST.BNFT_DED_PLAN_DESC

2.3 Decommission of Bio-Demo Universes

Products Affected: HR BusinessObjects Universes

Universe Affected: HR – EDW
HR – Current Employee

Case Number: 20060720_112

Date Implemented: August 17, 2006

Description: The HR-EDW and HR–Current Employee universes are the original universes deployed with the HR/Bio-Demo Data Warehouse increment project. Since their creation, the bio-demo data has been merged into the other HR universes, allowing users a more effective way to report on bio-demo information. Since these original bio-demo universes are rarely utilized and the data is available in a more efficient manner via other HR Universes, Decision Support will decommission HR–EDW and HR–Current Employee.

The decommission of these universes will occur in two steps:

- The first step was implemented with this release, 2006-08. On August 17, 2006, all universe objects were hidden, allowing users to refresh existing reports but preventing the creation or modification of reports.
- The second step will occur later this year (currently scheduled for November, 2006). At that time, the universes will be removed from the production environment and no further reporting (including report refreshing) will be available in the HR – EDW and HR – Current Employee universes.

3. Pre-Registration and Registration

3.1 Correct Universe Join for Course Archive Activity Data

Products Affected: Registration BusinessObjects Universes

Universe Affected: EDW – STU Registration Complete
EDW – STU Registration Limited

Case Number: 20060613_326

Date Implemented: August 17, 2006

Description: Decision Support corrected a universe join used by the Student Registration universes for course archive data. Previously, some reports containing student course archive activity by term were returning incomplete results. This is due to the Universe join on EDW table T_STUDENT_CRG_REG_ARCHV. To correct the error, Decision Support modified the universe join for T_STUDENT_CRG_REG_ARCHV in the Registration Complete and Registration Limited Universes.