

Hyperion Planning

CLIENT STATS

General Company Info

- Fortune 500
- 2013 Rev: \$16 billion

Products

- Planning
- Financial Reports
- EPMA

Application Highlights

- Planning upgrade of existing Alphablox application
- Worldwide user base
- EPMA for metadata maintenance
- Extensive use of Data Validation

Project Overview

The Client replaced their existing Alphablox forecasting solution with Hyperion Planning. They implemented a solution that not only replaced an existing system, but also improved upon their forecasting and reporting process.

Project Highlights

Finit's solution for the Client includes the following features:

- Hyperion Planning version 11.1.2.1 .
- Metadata managed using EPMA.
- Global user base.
- Data Forms with extensive use of Data Validation. These checks allowed the Finance team to ensure that data was complete prior to submission, as data not entered properly would be unable to be promoted using Workflow.
- Data Forms included text-based data entry. This functionality permitted key groups to include explanations for variances between Actual and Budget data, reducing the preparation time for forecast submission.
- Use of Financial Reports for reporting. This usage allowed for the reporting of consolidated variances with a place for explanations for those variances.

Benefit

- The Client had unique requirements for a Planning application, including the use of text for both data entry and reporting. Finit found a way to meet those needs using features already existing in the product.
- The Client also had unique requirements with respect to the validation of entered data. Finit found a creative way to use a new feature of Planning (Data Validation) that was able to meet their needs without implementing a heavily-customized solution.