

Essbase Upgrade

CLIENT STATS

General Company Info

- 2011 Rev: \$78 billion
- Top 20 - largest commercial bank holding companies
- Over 774 branches and 2,000 ATM's

Products

- Hyperion Essbase
- Financial Reports
- SmartView

Application Highlights

- Upgrade from Version 6.5 to 11
- SME knowledge transfer and best practice guidance
- Application design and performance tuning

Project Overview

The Client desired to upgrade their environment and software for Essbase and wanted applications reviewed and improved both for design and performance. The goal was to have their self-taught Essbase administrators learn best practices, complex design and implementation techniques to be able to build and administer complex solutions.

Project Highlights

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

- Migrated all Essbase databases and recommended changes to improve performance.
- By working with both Finance and IT, Finit challenged and benchmarked hardware configurations impacting Essbase database performance.
- Discussed and outlined pros and cons of design options for forecasting databases and provided proof of concept prototyping of linked partitions between BSO and ASO databases.
- Provided subject matter expertise with the following features:
 - Conducted training sessions and knowledge transfer for administrators.
 - Provided best practice guidance in the implementation of Hyperion Essbase disaster recovery, including nightly scripts.
 - Provided calc script, MaxL script and data movement examples.
 - Provided support, guidance and knowledge transfer as needed over the life of the project.

Benefit

- Application performance was improved in both back-end processing and user experience.
- The Client staff acquired advanced knowledge for designing databases and performance tuning.
- Best practices were implemented in the new hardware and software environment, which provided consistent naming, scripting, and backup processes allowing support from IT, not just Finance.
- Hardware was deployed allowing for growth of the use of Essbase, which included storing more data online and more applications.