

CASE STUDY

Pharmaceuticals - Committed Spend Reporting

Client:

One of the top 15 pharmaceutical companies in the world with 30,000 employees worldwide.

Problem:

Needed to distribute customised reports to each cost centre head in the organisation detailing their committed expenditure.

Solution:

Created an automated process that generates the individual reports and emails them to the corresponding cost centre heads.

**Before:**

- IT Department-developed solution too expensive.
- Cost centre heads not able to see detail of incurred expenses. Could only see total spend in the accounting system so had insufficient detail to see how much budget was already committed.
- Alternative manual approach would take a long time with lots of labour required to make a customised report for each cost centre head.

After:

- Client only needs to upload source files and click a button to generate all of the reports.
- Automated process validates the input files and consolidates them.
- Prepares, checks and sends all 14 reports in 40 minutes.

SAMPLE OUTPUTS REPORT

Period

January 2018

Department

Admin

Cost Centre

Granularity

Show All

Personnel Costs

Show

Budget Basis

Planned

✖ You are at a negative run rate

⚠ At your current rate of spend, you will be over budget by end of FY

✔ No problems

GL Code	Account Description	SubPackage	MTD Actuals	MTD Budget	MTD Actuals - MTD Budget	FY Budget	FY Budget - YTD Actuals	YTD Actuals + YTD Open PO + YTG Prepayments	FY Budget - Total Committed Spend Amount	
Grand Total			58,532	81,672	23,140	1,043,970	225,135	885,679	158,291	
Total	Company Vehicles		4,094	4,094	(0)	49,128	8,498	40,630	8,498	⚠
	700050 Car Allowance, variable	Lease of Vehicle	4,094	4,094	(0)	49,128	8,498	40,630	8,498	⚠
Total	Compensation and Benefits		29,623	54,200	24,577	649,980	118,784	531,196	118,784	⚠
	500000 Wages and salaries	Base Salary	27,013	33,242	6,229	398,904	12,028	386,876	12,028	⚠
	510050 Vacation Pay (S)	Base Salary	(14,709)	997	15,706	11,964	16,230	(4,266)	16,230	✔
	500150 Bonus / provisions	Bonus	-	9,973	9,973	119,676	119,676	-	119,676	✔
	510140 Bonus Pay (S)	Bonus	-	-	-	-	(273,245)	273,245	(273,245)	✖
	510150 Bonus / provisions (S)	Bonus	9,973	-	(9,973)	-	173,519	(173,519)	173,519	✔

Sample report for a cost centre.

SAMPLE VALIDATION REPORT

Validation Metrics

File upload errors

0

File Structure Errors

68

Inconsistent records

0

Unmapped Items

0

Error messages for input files

Input File	Error Description
Mandatory Budget File (Planned)	There are 20 columns that do not match the expected names.

Validation report to check correct files have been uploaded and check the data integrity of the input files.

KEY METRICS



270 STEPS AUTOMATED.



MANUAL ALTERNATIVE NOT VIABLE AS IT WOULD TAKE TOO LONG TO DO EACH MONTH.



NO LIMIT TO THE NUMBER OF REPORTS (COST CENTRES) THAT CAN BE GENERATED.



THEREFORE THIS WAS A PROCESS FOR THE CLIENT WHICH WAS NOT POSSIBLE PRIOR TO THE AUTOMATED SOLUTION.



14 REPORTS GENERATED IN 40 MINUTES AND AN ADDITIONAL REPORT TAKES LESS THAN 2 MINUTES TO GENERATE.



PROCESS IS ALSO SCALABLE ACROSS MULTIPLE COMPANIES IN THE GROUP THEREBY INCREASING THE ROI SIGNIFICANTLY.



8 INPUTS TO THE PROCESS, 3 ARE OPTIONAL.

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