

Enterprise Data Management Strategies to Support Upgrade & Migration Projects



## Agenda

- About Upgrades & Migrations
- Role of Enterprise Data Management
- Expected Capabilities and Benefits of Archiving Solutions
- How to Implement



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#### **About Upgrades & Migrations**

#### Why upgrade?

- Leverage new features for competitive advantage
- Maintain vendor support

#### Why migrate?

- Upgrade path not technically feasible
- Decommissioning obsolete or redundant system
- Current application no longer aligned with business needs



#### What Drives Application Upgrades Today?

- Forrester Research: "Replacing or upgrading applications is an important issue for many firms...with 18% ranking it as a critical priority"
  - Decision not to upgrade carries compliance and operational risks
- Aberdeen: 74% of respondents opted to consolidate multiple ERP systems into a single corporate standard<sup>2</sup>
  - Managing multiple applications or versions increases complexity and cost
  - 1. Paul Hamerman, "Application Upgrades: When and Why," Forrester Tech Choices, 2006
  - 2. Cindy Jutras, "Benchmarking ERP in Manufacturing," Aberdeen Group Presentation, 2006



#### What's the Problem? Risk and Cost

#### Risk

- Extended downtime; substantial business disruption
- Data retention compliance; audit and discovery requests

#### Cost

- Missed service targets, missed reporting deadlines
- Key business processes not completed on time
- Deferred revenue
- Fines and penalties
- Opportunity costs

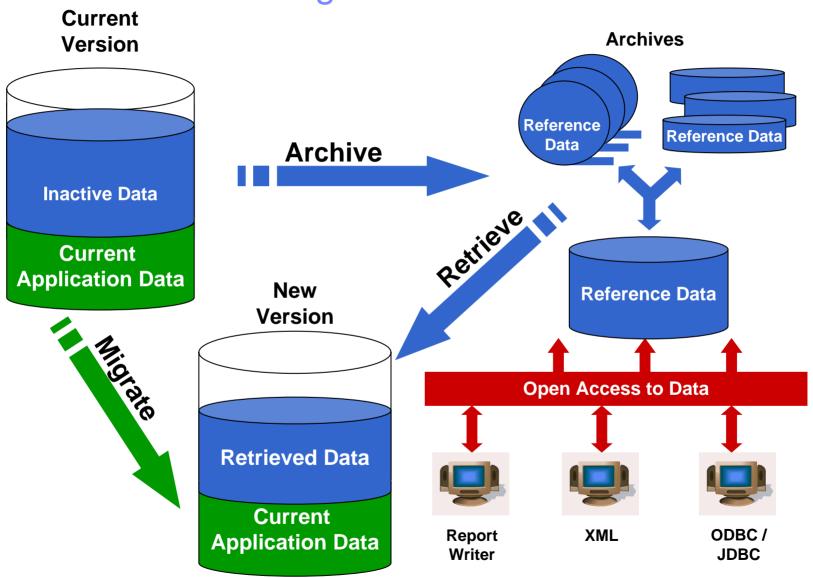


#### The Market Need

- Archive historical data from older application or database versions, and safely remove it to a secure archive.
- Preserve each archived business objects as an audit ready "snapshot in time"
- Reduce the amount of active application data to migrate to new version
  - Speeds upgrade conversion run-time
  - Reduces risk of costly downtime
- Maintain application-independent access to archived transactions
  - Key consideration for sites that migrate or re-implement, rather than upgrade
  - Supports compliance initiatives
  - Enables rapid, accurate response to audit and discovery requests
  - For companies running Oracle, PeopleSoft and JDE apps, Optim provides a safe, secure path to Project Fusion



## How An Archiving Solution Should Work





#### Access to Archives

- Application-independent access to archives
  - -"Future-proof;" preserves business value of the data
  - Easily generate reports or respond to inquiries
- Leverage industry standards and available tools
  - -ODBC/JDBC
  - -XML
  - -Any standard SQL-based tool
  - Report Writers (Cognos, Business Objects, Discoverer)
- Retrieve archived data to current application version
  - As required for additional business processing or complex queries





## **Benefits Summary**

#### Speed the upgrade / migration conversion

- Minimize business disruption
- Maintain revenue generation
- Avoid service-related fines and penalties

#### Future-proof application deployment strategy

- Archived transactions are retained for the full retention period with access independent of the application version from which they were archived
- Query and generate reports using industry standard methods and available tools
- Sustain compliance proof and audit/discovery paths
  - "Audit snapshot in time" provides complete business entities for unalterable recorded transactions
- Additional benefits improve performance, reduce risk, control costs





## Solution Implementation

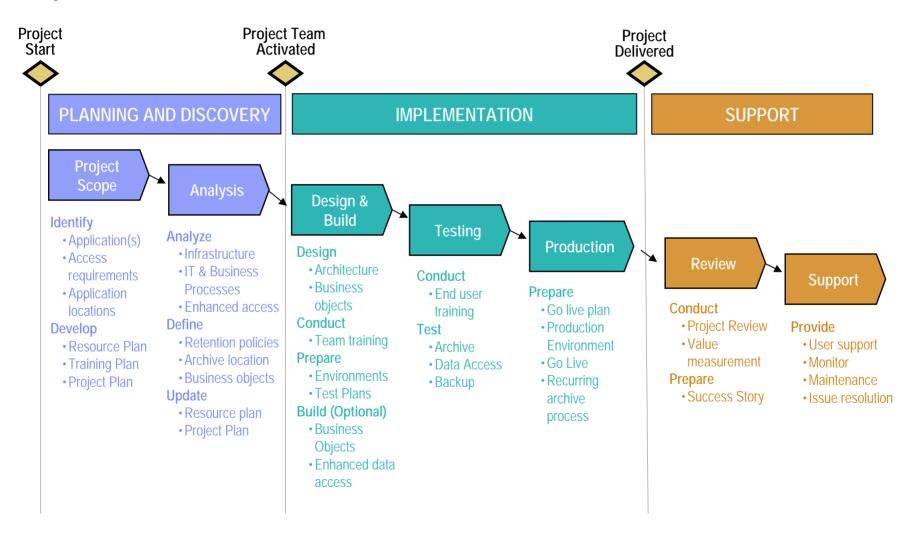
 Define your business objectives for data management

Apply processes and technology

Implement a solution into your application environments



## Implementation Time Line

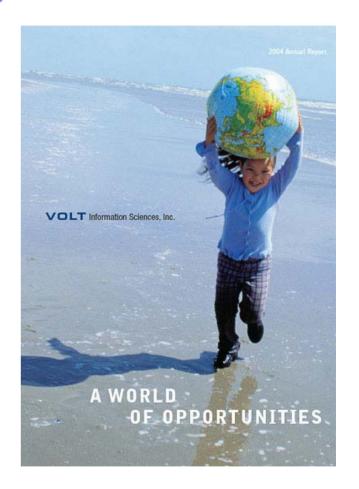


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### **Example: VOLT Information Sciences**

- Volt Information Sciences, Inc. (<u>www.volt.com</u>)
  - Leading provider of Staffing Services and Telecommunications and Information Solutions
  - Fortune 100 customer base
  - Worldwide network of over 300 branch offices





### **VOLT:** Key Archiving Solution Requirements

- Objective: Upgrade scripts to run in less than 50 hours
- Proven, out of the box solution with an excellent track record
- Archive templates pre-defined with PeopleSoft relationships
  - General Ledger, Billing, A/R, A/P, Payroll, Asset Management, Vector (T/E), Projects
- Ability to access historical data using existing programs.
- Minimize storage requirements by storing archives in compressed format
- Rapid implementation



#### **VOLT:** Results

- Upgrade run-time (7.5 to 8.4 Financials) reduced from 140 hours to 50 hours
- Quickly and safely archived financial transactions 3, 4 and 5 years old
  - Now rolling archiving upon age and status events
- Large volume archiving:
  - General Ledger archive for 3 fiscal years
  - ~2 hr run time per fiscal yr; ~16 million rows archived.
- 500 GB PeopleSoft Financials 7.5 Oracle database reduced by 50%
- Key functional processes now running 25% to 300% faster



## **Project Requirements**

- A single solution for managing enterprise application data throughout every stage of the information lifecycle
- Applies business rules and automates processes that govern how to assess, classify, archive, subset, access, store and protect enterprise application data
- Supports and scales across applications, databases, operating systems and hardware platforms
- Optimizes the business value of your IT infrastructure



#### **About Princeton Softech**

## Proven leader in Enterprise Data Management

- Solving complex data management issues since 1989
- In-depth functional knowledge of mission-critical applications and the business rules that govern them
- -Over 2,200 customers worldwide
  - Including nearly half of the Fortune 500
- Only true enterprise solution: across applications, databases, hardware platforms and operating systems



## Solutions for Upgrades & Migrations

- Optim
- Services for Upgrades & Migrations
- Enterprise Support
  - Applications: Oracle E-Business, PeopleSoft, Siebel, JD Edwards, AmdocsCRM, custom, packaged and legacy applications
  - Databases: Oracle, SQL
    Server, Sybase, Informix, DB2
  - Platforms: Windows, Unix, Linux, z/OS





## Summary

- Upgrade and migration projects involve complexity, risk and cost
- Companies need to execute upgrade and migration projects quickly and successfully, while preserving access to data from prior versions
- Princeton Softech Optim provides a comprehensive solution
  - Speed upgrades and migrations
  - Reduce cost and risk
  - Deliver project planning, execution and on-site support to facilitate upgrade and migration projects





## **QUESTIONS?**





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