



PeopleSoft Solution Extenders

Grey Sparling Solutions, Inc. has identified and built the highest-value enhancements to your PeopleSoft products, which are our PeopleSoft Solution Extenders. PeopleSoft Solution Extenders are strategic PeopleTools bolt-on's to increase the functionality and usability of PeopleSoft without impacting the current Enterprise Application environment, or the upgrade/maintenance process. In other words, we have created "*PeopleTools within PeopleTools*".

PS/nVision Solution Extender

The most commonly requested enhancements to PS/nVision have been packaged into a PeopleTools bolt-on called the PS/nVision Solution Extender.

Features

- Improved drilling in PS/nVision
- Improved nVision report execution
- Multiple Field nPlosion
- Thin Client PS/nVision report design
- Improved nVision report design usability
- Improved handling of Excel features
- Support for a separate Reporting Instance
- Support for nVision reports against prompted queries
- Improved bursting and distribution
- Ability to add timespan criteria for non-ledger based nVision reports
- Ability to use multiple matrix layouts (TABS/Spreadsheets) in a single workbook (.xnv file)
- Ability to do "NOT" statements in nVision criteria

Feature Descriptions

Improved drilling	<p>The PSE will improve drilling in nVision with the following features:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drilldown layouts will automatically be organized and searchable. • The drilldown list will be pruned to exclude layouts that do not make sense with the report being drilled from. • Users will be able to choose favorite drilldown layouts. • nVision drilldowns will automatically be displayed when they are completed (PeopleSoft implemented this for PeopleTools 8.42, but not 8.1x or 8.2x).
Improved report execution	<p>The process of requesting a report to be run will be improved with the following features:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New report request page • Improved searching for report requests, allowing a user to find reports based on fields, ledgers, or records are used in the report.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The ability to add a filter on the fly without creating a scope. • The ability to capture prompts that are part of a query that is used in an nVision report.
Multiple field nPlosion	The ability to nPlode multiple fields on a given axis in an nVision report.
Thin Client nVision report design	PeopleSoft customers will be able to build and maintain their nVision reports without having to install the PeopleTools windows client. Customers will be able to download an Excel add-in, which will communicate via HTTP to the PeopleSoft database.
Improved report design usability	<p>The following features will make it easier to design nVision reports.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved searching for ledgers and queries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ability to search based on more than ledger or query name. ○ Automatic filtering of subsequent searches based on nPloded fields (or picked sources). • Ability to build a query from nVision. • Automatic summary ledger picking and navigation. • Improved ability to define criteria and nPlosion rules by understanding data relationships. • nPlosion wizard, which guides user through defining nPlosion options and appropriately labeling nPloded fields. • Improved stylesheets, specifically with respect to different type of amounts, and for multiple labels of the same nPloded field.
Improved handling of Excel features	<p>The PSE provides a simple means of creating the following Excel objects that bind to results data.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Autofilters • PivotTables • SubTotals • Charts
Support for a separate Reporting Instance	PeopleSoft customers will have the flexibility to deploy your reporting against a different environment than your transaction system, and still retain the ability to drill between the two.
Support for nVision reports against prompted queries	The PSE allows users running nVision reports to capture the runtime parameters of the queries embedded in those report.
Improved bursting and distribution	Customers will be able to centrally manage and utilize a consistent set of rules for identifying the rules for filtering and distributing nVision report results.
Ability to add timespan criteria for non-ledger based nVision reports	Customers will be able to leverage the benefits of timespans for query-based nVision reports. This will eliminate the need to embed the filtering rules for date ranges in the queries that feed into the nVision reports.
Ability to use multiple matrix layouts (TABS/Spreadsheets) in a single workbook (.xnv file)	Customers will be able to generate workbooks with multiple crosstab (or matrix) reports. This will allow them to generate briefing books with multiple financial reports in them.
Ability to do "NOT" statements in nVision criteria	Customers will be able to filter on all values "except" for a set of values.

ERI Adapter for PS/nVision+Query



For tighter integration, the ERI adapter for PS/nVision+Query (along with the [ERI Toolkit](#)) further integrates PS/nVision with your transaction application and other reporting tools.

Features

- Drill from PeopleSoft Page to PS/nVision
- Drill from nVision to Page or Query
- Drill from PS/Query to Page or nVision

Feature Descriptions

Drill from PeopleSoft Page to PS/nVision	<p>PeopleSoft customers will be able to drill directly into nVision from any PeopleSoft page.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The system will figure out what reports make sense from a given page element.• It will pass along data values as parameters for the report or add values as filters to the report.• It will allow users to view existing reports, run a report, or build a new report. When building a new one, it will provide a list PeopleSoft objects that can be used to build the report.• Drilling functionality will be enabled without requiring any updates to existing pages or additional definitions to be created.
Drill from nVision to Page or Query	<p>PeopleSoft customers also will be able to drill directly from any nVision report into any PeopleSoft page or query.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The system will figure out what pages make sense from a given report element.• Ability to drill directly from an nVision report to a query.• It will pass along data values as parameters to the page or query.• All reports in nVision, whether existing or new will support drilling without user intervention.
Drill from PS/Query to Page or nVision	<p>PeopleSoft customers also will be able to drill directly from any Query results into any PeopleSoft page.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The system will figure out what pages make sense from a given query element.• It will pass along data values as parameters as parameters to the page.• All queries, whether existing or new will support drilling without user intervention.

Who is Grey Sparling Solutions, Inc?

Grey Sparling Solutions, Inc. combines in-depth knowledge of PeopleSoft products, Enterprise Reporting solutions, and Business Intelligence to help PeopleSoft customers improve the way their business users obtain and use information. Because we are the people who built and maintained PeopleSoft's reporting tools and PeopleTools metadata, we are in a unique position to provide superior products and solutions to maximize your PeopleSoft investment.

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