NEW FEATURES

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Removal of Dependency on Shared Services

In 9.3.1, you need to register Oracle's Hyperion® Provider Services with Oracle's Hyperion® Shared Services only if you use Shared Services to connect Provider Services with Oracle's Hyperion® Smart View for Office. Provider Services is no longer dependent on Shared Services for user provisioning. When a user connects to Oracle’s Essbase® Administration Services now, Provider Services checks directly with Oracle's Hyperion® Essbase® – System 9; if the user has an administrator role, he or she is granted permission.

If you use Shared Services and you upgrade both Shared Services and Provider Services to 9.3.1, you can use the Oracle's Hyperion® Configuration Utility™ to register Provider Services. You can also upgrade only Provider Services and use the registration tool included with Provider Services to register with an older version of Oracle's Hyperion® Shared Services.

SiteMinder Integration

Provider Services can be integrated with CA SiteMinder to enable single sign-on and provide both default and form-based authentication in Smart View.

Single Sign-On

Provider Services now allows for single sign-on across Oracle's Hyperion® Essbase® – System 9 data sources and Microsoft Office components for the Smart View client.

HTTP Compression

XML packets streamed between Provider Services and Oracle's Hyperion® Smart View for Office have been compressed to minimize network bandwidth and transfer time.

Java APIs

New Java APIs are included in Provider Services to provide the following functionality:

- Time dimension handling
- Query cancellation
- Incremental loading
- Creation and management of security filters

Clustering on Oracle 10g and WebLogic 9.1.x

Oracle's Hyperion® Provider Services supports clustering on Oracle 10g and WebLogic 9.1.x application servers.
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