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Preface

This implementation guide provides you with all the information you need to integrate Oracle Receivables and Oracle Order Entry/Shipping with Vertex Quantum. It is organized for easy access to the following information:

- Implementation procedures
- Day to day operations
- Reconciliation, support, and audit procedures
- Technical reference material
- Commonly asked questions

This preface explains how this implementation guide is organized and introduces other sources of information that can help you.
About This Implementation Guide

This guide is the primary source of information about integrating Vertex Quantum with Oracle Receivables and Oracle Order Entry. It contains overviews as well as task and reference information. This manual includes the following chapters:

- Chapter 1 describes the installation and implementation steps required to integrate Vertex Quantum with Oracle Receivables and Oracle Order Entry.
- Chapter 2 describes the normal operation of Oracle Receivables and Oracle Order Entry when the Vertex products are implemented.
- Chapter 3 provides an overview of the various accounting and business processes required for the Vertex integration.
- Chapter 4 describes the internal communication parameters between Oracle and Vertex, the Oracle tax view functions that support this communication, and how to extend the integration using user descriptive flexfields and the PL/SQL functions. Additionally, this chapter includes some commonly asked questions about using Vertex Quantum with Oracle Receivables.

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Oracle Receivables Tax Manual

This manual provides everything you need to know about calculating tax within Oracle Receivables, Oracle Order Entry/Shipping, Oracle Sales and Marketing, and Oracle Web Customers. It includes information about implementation procedures, setup forms and windows, the Oracle Receivables tax calculation process, tax reports and listings, and open interfaces.

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**Oracle Applications Upgrade Manual**

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**Oracle Applications System Administrator’s Guide**

This manual provides planning and reference information for the Oracle Applications System Administrator. It contains information on how to define security, customize menus and online help, and manage processing.

**Oracle Receivables Applications Technical Reference Manual**

The *Oracle Receivables Applications Technical Reference Manual* contains database diagrams and a detailed description of Oracle Receivables and related applications database tables, forms, reports, and programs. This information helps you convert data from your existing applications, integrate Oracle Receivables with non–Oracle applications, and write custom reports for Oracle Receivables.

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This chapter describes the installation and implementation steps required to integrate Vertex Quantum with Oracle Receivables and Oracle Order Entry/Shipping.
Implementing the Vertex Quantum Integration

Oracle Receivables provides a Tax Vendor Extension to integrate external tax calculation programs with Oracle Applications. This Extension lets you provide for complex tax calculations while retaining the full power of Receivables to create and store all other tax data.

The Tax Extension is called whenever a tax rate is calculated by the Receivables Tax Engine. When implemented, the Tax Extension will return a tax rate or amount from the vendor program. Receivables will use this information to create the appropriate tax line(s) and related accounting information.

**Note:** If your Receivables installation uses multiple organizations (multi–org), the profile option Tax: Use Tax Vendor lets your system administrator control which users can call an installed third party application for tax calculations. The default value is Yes; this indicates that a user can call a third party application to calculate tax. See: Overview of Receivables Profile Options in the *Oracle Receivables User’s Guide*.

**Scope**

This implementation guide is for the integration of the tax vendor extension with Oracle Receivables Release 11.0.2 or higher. The tax vendor extensions have been implemented using Vertex’s Quantum Sales and Use Tax.

**Attention:** This integration can only be used with Oracle GUI application products; it will not function with Oracle character mode applications. Additionally, the Vertex Quantum integration is only supported for US state and local taxes. Do not implement this integration for Canada or any other country. For more information on international taxation handling, including Canadian taxes, please refer to the *Oracle Receivables Tax Manual*.

**Related Documents**

This integration guide is intended as a supplement to the *Oracle Receivables Tax Manual*.

When Implementing Vertex Quantum within Oracle Receivables, you should first review the Implementing US Sales Tax topical essay. Only after completing all of the steps described in that essay should you execute the additional steps required for Vertex Integration. For more
information, see: Implementing US Sales Tax in the Oracle Receivables Tax Manual.

**Sales Tax Rate Interface**

Both Oracle Order Entry and Receivables provide an interface to load tax rates, zip code ranges, and location names from data files supplied by external vendors. This information is used by the Receivables Customers windows to validate addresses and create compiled sales tax data whenever an address is updated or created.

Receivables provides the sample Vertex SQL*Loader control file, arvertex.ctl. This file will load state, county, city, zip ranges, GeoCodes, and jurisdiction code from the Vertex SEQMAST.dat data file into the Oracle AR_TAX_INTERFACE table. Once loaded, the GeoCode will be automatically used by the Vertex views. For more information, see: Sales Tax Rate Interface in the Oracle Receivables Tax Manual.

**Tax Database Views and Functions**

Receivables provides database views to control which database columns are passed into the Tax Engine to calculate tax for your transaction lines. The database views call PL/SQL functions to provide a consistent and flexible access to vendor–specific data.

**Generic Tax Extension**

The Tax Extension is called whenever a tax rate is calculated by the Receivables Tax Engine. Tax rates are calculated in the following windows, concurrent programs, and reports:

- Adjustments windows
- AutoInvoice
- Copy Transactions window
- Credit Transactions window
- Quote window (Oracle Sales and Marketing)
- Sales Orders window (Oracle Order Entry)
- Sales Order Acknowledgment Report
- Transactions window
- Web Customer Orders
The Tax Extension can be implemented to generate single or multiple tax lines for every invoice line. Receivables will store each tax line in the RA_CUSTOMER_TRX_LINES table.

**Integration with Oracle Order Entry**

Vertex Quantum is fully integrated with Oracle Order Entry. At the time of order entry, the tax amount for an order or line is calculated by calling the Receivables Tax Engine. Consequently, if you have installed a Tax Vendor, it will be called to calculate tax on the order in the same way as on the invoice.

**Note:** Tax on an order is for information only and will be recalculated at the time of invoice creation. This is necessary because tax rates change over time and there could be a significant difference in the rates between the order date and the invoice date.

**Integration with Oracle Sales and Marketing**

Vertex Quantum is fully integrated with Oracle Sales and Marketing (OSM). At the time of quote entry, the tax amount for the quotation is calculated by calling the Receivable Tax Engine. Consequently, if you have installed a Tax Vendor, it will be called to calculate tax on quotes in the same way as on invoices and sales orders.

**Integration with Oracle Web Customers**

Vertex Quantum is fully integrated with Oracle Web Customers. At the time of submitting an order to Oracle Order Entry, the tax amount for the order is calculated by calling the Receivables Tax Engine. Consequently, if you have installed a Tax Vendor, it will be called to calculate tax on on-line sales orders the same way as on invoices, sales orders, and quotes.

**Note:** Tax on an order, quote, or an on-line order are for information only and will be recalculated at the time of invoice creation. This is necessary because tax rates change over time and there could be a significant difference in the rates between the order date and the invoice date.
Preparing Receivables

The tax extension is a PL/SQL procedure that is called by the Oracle Tax Engine every time a tax rate is calculated within Receivables or Oracle Order Entry.

Load External Tax Information

Receivables provides a sample Vertex SQL*Loader control file, $AR_TOP/bin/arvertex.ctl, to load new locations and tax rates from the SEQMAST data file supplied by Vertex. These programs let you load multiple tax rates for the same location, which may cover different date ranges and postal codes. The following diagram shows how your Tax Vendor’s data is imported into Receivables tax tables.

Note: Receivables provides six possible Sales Tax Location Flexfield structures. The sample Vertex SQL*Loader file arvertex.ctl only supports the structure State.County.City. If you select another structure, you will need to modify these SQL*Loader files.
Receivables provides database views to pass tax information to the Tax Engine. You can use these views to control which database columns are passed into the Tax Engine for every transaction line that you tax. The following views have been defined:

- **SO_TAX_LINES_SUMMARY_V**
  Used by the Order Entry Sales Orders window.

- **SO_TAX_LINES_CREDIT_CHECK_V**
  Used by the Order Entry Sales Orders window.

- **AS_TAX_LINES_SUMMARY_V**
  Used by the Oracle Sales and Marketing Quote Workbench.

- **TAX_LINES_INVOICE_IMPORT_V**
  Used by the Receivables AutoInvoice program.

- **TAX_LINES_RECURR_INVOICE_V**
  Used by the Receivables Recurring Invoice program (Copy Transactions window).

- **TAX_LINES_CREATE_V**
  Used by the Receivables Transactions Workbench.

- **TAX_LINES_DELETE_V**
  Used by the Receivables Transactions Workbench.

- **TAX_ADJUSTMENTS_V**
  Used by the Receivables Transactions Workbench.

Receivables Tax Engine

The Tax Engine uses the information passed by the database views to calculate tax, regardless of whether an external Tax Vendor is installed. Both the Tax Extension and the AR Tax Module are components of the Tax Engine and are called every time the Tax Engine is requested to calculate tax.

If an external tax vendor is installed, the Tax Engine will use the tax rate or amount returned by the Tax Extension to override the rate or amount calculated by the AR Tax Module. The following table highlights key columns used by your tax vendor.
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>View Column Name</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>TRX_NUMBER</td>
<td>Transaction Number</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TRX_DATE</td>
<td>Transaction Date</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SHIP_TO_CUSTOMER_NAME</td>
<td>Ship–to customer name</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>BILL_TO_CUSTOMER_NAME</td>
<td>Bill–to customer name</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SHIP_FROM_ADDRESS_CODE</td>
<td>Jurisdiction code for Ship From Address</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SHIP_TO_ADDRESS_CODE</td>
<td>Jurisdiction code for Ship–To Address</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PART_NUMBER</td>
<td>Inventory Part Number</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Table 1 – 1  Columns used by your tax vendor.

**Tax Jurisdictions**

Within the United States, a tax rate is calculated from Ship–To, Ship From, Point of Order Origin, and Point of Order Acceptance. To implement the Tax Extension using each of these addresses, you will need to store the latter three values in descriptive flexfields at the appropriate level: Invoice Line or Header, or Order Line or Header.

If you use AutoInvoice to import orders from Oracle Order Entry, AutoInvoice will populate the item line Transaction Flexfield with packing slip information. This can be used to source the Ship From site use and address for each order. See Integrating Oracle Order Entry with Oracle Receivables in the *Oracle Financials Open Interfaces Manual*.

The jurisdiction codes are loaded by the Sales Tax Rate Interface into attribute 1 of the table ar_location_rates. To load vendor jurisdiction codes into the other view columns, you will need to modify the views to join ar_location_rates with your appropriate customized table.

If you require postal code data to nine characters (zip+4) to segregate customer addresses by jurisdiction code, you will need to manually update the address data provided by your Tax Vendor. You can use the Tax Location and Rates window to update the postal code data to comply with your jurisdiction code requirements.

Below is an example of multiple jurisdiction codes within a standard five digit zip code designation:
Implementing the Vertex Quantum Integration

The tax vendors will provide a mechanism to install their PL/SQL packages, tables, data, and any other necessary objects. These database objects should all be created in a separate vendor schema. Once the vendor has been installed, there are several manual steps that need to be performed to enable the functionality.

Character Mode Upgrade

If you are upgrading from Oracle Applications Release 10 character mode applications, integrating with Vertex Quantum using the solution from Design Migration Services, please contact Oracle Design Migration Services or your Oracle account manager for consulting assistance.

Prerequisites

- Install Vertex’s Quantum Sales and Use Tax version 1.2.0 or 1.3.0 (PL/SQL)
- Quantum, TDM, Returns, and implementation training from Vertex, Inc.
- Implement US Sales Tax. To do this, you need to perform all of the steps described in the Implementing US Sales Tax essay in the Oracle Receivables Tax Manual.
- Upload the Vertex SEQMAST data file into Oracle Receivables Address Validation tables. You need to upload this file before loading any customer addresses. This two step process is described in Monthly Procedures: page 3–6.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>location_segment_id</th>
<th>from_postal_code</th>
<th>to_postal_code</th>
<th>jurisdiction_code</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>43 (San Francisco)</td>
<td>94110</td>
<td>94116</td>
<td>code 1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>43 (San Francisco)</td>
<td>94117</td>
<td>94117</td>
<td>code 2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>43 (San Francisco)</td>
<td>94118</td>
<td>94118–3999</td>
<td>code 3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>43 (San Francisco)</td>
<td>94118–4000</td>
<td>94118–9999</td>
<td>code 4</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Table 1 – 2  Jurisdiction codes
- Validate customer addresses. All Ship-to and Bill-to Customer Addresses within the US must have been validated by Oracle Receivables by setting the Address Validation field in the System Options window to 'Error.'

- Oracle SQL*Plus access to the APPS schema

- Permission to relink Oracle executables

- Test database

Setup Checklist for the Vertex Quantum Integration

Complete the following steps in the order shown to implement the Tax Vendor Extension:

- Step 1 Provide Grants to the APPS Schema
- Step 2 Remove the C Tax Vendor (optional)
- Step 3 Re-create Synonyms
- Step 4 Set Profile Options
- Step 5 Set Up Lookup Code ARTAXVDR: Location Qualifier
- Step 6 Set Up Lookup Code Tax Exemption Reason
- Step 7 Set Up Vendor-Specific Tax Codes
- Step 8 Set Up Vendor Tax Views
- Step 9 Verify Tax Vendor Implementation
- Step 10 Implement Descriptive Flexfields (optional)

Step 1 – Provide Grants to the APPS Schema

Once the vendors have been installed, certain grants must be given to the APPS schema so that these vendor packages can be executed.

```
CONNECT <Vertex schema>/<Vertex password>
GRANT ALL ON QSU TO <APPS Schema>
    WITH GRANT OPTION;
GRANT ALL ON GEO TO <APPS Schema>
    WITH GRANT OPTION;
GRANT ALL ON REGRERETURNSTBL TO <APPS Schema>
    WITH GRANT OPTION;
```
Step 2 – Remove the C Tax Vendor (optional)

This step is required only if you are upgrading from the DMS integration. To use the PL/SQL version of the tax vendor extensions, the C tax vendor extension must be taken out of all Oracle executables. This integration will make obsolete the integration from DMS.

First, the $FND_TOP/usrxit/devenv files VNDARSL and VNDARPL should include the vendor–specific object files. These need to be removed.

The following objects have been defined for Vertex in VNDARPL and VNDARSL. Please remove any references to these objects.

- $(AR_TOP)/lib/arvertex.o
- $(VERTEX_TOP)/lib/libvst.a
- $(VERTEX_TOP)/lib/libloc.a
- $(VERTEX_TOP)/lib/libport.a

Next, relink aiap, AutoInvoice, recurring invoices, OE Transaction Manager, and the reports executables by issuing the following commands:

```plaintext
adrelink force=y ranlib=y "fnd aiap"
adrelink force=y ranlib=y "fnd ar25run"
adrelink force=y ranlib=y "ar RAXTRX"
adrelink force=y ranlib=y "ar ARXREC"
adrelink force=y ranlib=y "ar ARTXMT"
adrelink force=y ranlib=y "oe OEORPC"
adrelink force=y ranlib=y "oe OESREL"
adrelink force=y ranlib=y "oe OEBSHC"
adrelink force=y ranlib=y "oe OECMWC"
adrelink force=y ranlib=y "oe OEIIIRA"
adrelink force=y ranlib=y "oe OEKCII"
adrelink force=y ranlib=y "oe OEOBOE"
adrelink force=y ranlib=y "oe OEPREL"
adrelink force=y ranlib=y "oe OERLDI"
adrelink force=y ranlib=y "oe OERLRI"
adrelink force=y ranlib=y "oe OERPRS"
adrelink force=y ranlib=y "oe OESHTM"
adrelink force=y ranlib=y "oe OEVINV"
adrelink force=y ranlib=y "oe OEWREL"
adrelink force=y ranlib=y "oe OEZMAT"
adrelink force=y ranlib=y "oe WSHARI"
adrelink force=y ranlib=y "oe WSHIAR"
adrelink force=y ranlib=y "oe WSHREL"
```
Step 3 – Re–create Synonyms

Once the packages have been installed, you need to recreate certain synonyms to point to the correct vendor packages.

```
CONNECT <APPS_Schema>/<APPS_Password>
DROP SYNONYM ARP_TAX_VERTEX_QSU;
DROP SYNONYM ARP_TAX_VERTEX_GEO;
DROP SYNONYM ARP_TAX_VERTEX_AUDIT;
CREATE SYNONYM ARP_TAX_VERTEX_QSU FOR <Vertex Schema>.QSU;
CREATE SYNONYM ARP_TAX_VERTEX_GEO FOR <Vertex Schema>.GEO;
CREATE SYNONYM ARP_TAX_VERTEX_AUDIT FOR <Vertex Schema>.REGPRERETURNSTBL;
```

Step 4 – Set Up Profile Options

The following profile options are used by the tax vendor extensions:

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Table 1 – 3 Profile Options and Default Values

Step 5 – Set Up Lookup Code ARTAXVDR: Location Qualifier

The lookup code ARTAXVDR: Location Qualifier determines whether tax lines should be created separately for State, County, and City, or if the tax rates and amounts should be summed up into one tax line. Use the Receivables QuickCodes window to define this lookup code.
Step 6 – Set Up Lookup Code Tax Exemption Reason

Use the Receivables QuickCodes window to set up the Tax Exemption Reason lookup code. These reason codes are used by the tax vendor in determining the exemption reason and are restricted in the number of characters that are used by the vendors.

Attention: Vertex is restricted to 1 character. Therefore, define these exemption reasons such that the first character is unique.

Step 7 – Set Up Vendor–Specific Tax Codes

When using the tax vendor extensions, you need to define a location–based tax. Only location–based taxes will be calculated by the tax vendor extensions.

This integration will generate one tax line per invoice. The State, County, City, Secondary County and Secondary City amounts are held in the Global Descriptive Flexfield for the tax line. This enhancement enables Oracle to provide a more detailed level of tax reporting and reconciliation without requiring three tax lines per invoice line and multiple tax codes.
Oracle Receivables will use the Tax Account identified in the Tax Locations and Rates window to control the tax liability posting so that each state may have its own state tax liability account.

**Step 8 – Set Up Vendor Tax Views**

The default tax views will not work properly with the tax vendor extensions. These views should be replaced with the vendor tax views provided. These views have been installed under a different name (see below).

In the Tax alternative region of the System Options window, set the Tax Vendor Views field to Vertex. This changes the database views for this organization so that they will use the data source derived from the Vertex views.

![System Options Window](image)

**Step 9 – Verify Tax Vendor Implementation**

Perform the steps below to verify that the tax vendor was implemented successfully.

**Note:** After each step, confirm that the vendor’s tax reports reconcile to Oracle Receivables.

- Create Customer Addresses
  Customer addresses are validated against existing locations.
• Create a sales order and run the Sales Order Acknowledgment Report. The tax vendor extensions have been integrated with Order Entry to allow tax estimations to be calculated.

• Import a sales order using AutoInvoice Tax will be calculated using the vendor tax extensions on invoices imported from Oracle Order Entry or other feeder systems.

• Maintain Imported Invoices using the Transaction Workbench Any modifications to imported invoices will be reconciled with your vendor’s tax reports.

• Credit this invoice When you create credit memos, tax amounts will always reconcile to your vendor’s tax reports.

• Adjust an invoice Tax adjustments will reconcile with your vendor’s tax reports. Only approved adjustments of type ‘Tax’ are reflected in your vendor’s tax reports. This lets you control which write–offs have recoverable sales tax from the state, county, and city.

• Copy (Recur) this invoice Tax will be calculated using the vendor tax extensions on recurred invoices.

• Create an invoice in the Transaction Workbench Tax will be calculated using the vendor tax extensions on manual invoices created from within Oracle Receivables.

• Create an exempt order Oracle Receivable exemptions can be used to calculate tax with the vendor tax extensions.

Step 10 – Implement Descriptive Flexfields (optional)

The descriptive flexfields on Warehouse, Salespeople, and Customer Addresses can be used to extend the basic functionality of this integration. Specifically, ship–from and point of order acceptance GeoCodes can be used to support tax calculations using both ship–from and ship–to addresses. For more information on these optional flexfields, see: Descriptive Flexfields: page 4–13.
This chapter describes the normal operation of Oracle Receivables and Oracle Order Entry when the Vertex products are implemented. Use this tutorial to learn how your daily transactions are reflected in the Vertex Sales Tax Register.
Tutorial

This section describes the Demonstration Script for a standard implementation.

Create Customer Addresses

When creating a new address for a customer, the state, county, city, and zip code are validated against existing locations. These locations are imported into Oracle Receivables using the Vertex SEQMAST file and the Receivables Sales Tax Rate Interface. In this way, each customer site is guaranteed to have an address that is associated with a valid jurisdiction code.

When entering the address, the zip code can be used to automatically populate the state, county, and city. In cases where multiple jurisdiction codes are available for a particular zip code, a pop up list will appear as shown below.
In this example the zip code 64801 is defined in several jurisdictions in the state of Missouri. The poplist helps you select the correct jurisdiction code for your addresses.

Create a Sales Order

Sales orders can be created in Oracle Order Entry and the tax amount will be calculated automatically. The sales order includes the customer (which defines the ship-to address) and the salesperson can be assigned the point-of-order acceptance. Also, if the order is a shipped order, the warehouse from which the order is shipped will define the ship-from address.

Tax Calculation on Sales Orders

The tax calculated on a sales order is an estimation since many factors, including the ship-to address, can change. Also, since there is no accounting for the tax amounts at this time, the vendor will calculate the tax, but will not update its audit files.
Run the Sales Order Acknowledgment Report

Use the Sales Order Acknowledgment Report to view the order on a printed document. The tax is calculated by the vendor and is summarized by tax rate. As with the creation of the sales order, since there is no accounting for the tax amount here, the vendor does not update its audit files with this tax amount.

The following report shows the order entered in the previous steps. The two order lines are shown with the tax amount for both lines summarized. The total sales order amount is displayed at the end of the page.
Import Sales Orders Using AutoInvoice

Orders created in Oracle Order Entry or documents created in other feeder systems can be imported into Oracle Receivables using AutoInvoice. Tax will be calculated using the vendor tax extension. AutoInvoice will generate the accounting and sales credits, creating a fully validated invoice in Oracle Receivables.

The figure below shows the invoice imported from the order created in the previous steps. The reference number shows the order number of the original sales order.
Invoice Lines from an Imported Order

The order lines are imported by AutoInvoice and the following invoice lines are created. The top section of the window shows the totals for the transaction, lines, tax, and freight.
### Accounting for the Imported Order

The accounting entries are created for the imported order, including the accounting for the tax lines calculated by the tax vendor extension.

#### Balances

The Balances window shows the balance due for the Line, Tax, Freight, and Bank Charges. The balance can be modified by applying payments, credit memos, adjustments, or early payment discounts. The tax balance will reconcile with your vendor’s tax reports.
Vertex Tax Reports (After AutoInvoice)

The vendor tax reports are signature–ready sales tax reports. These reports will reconcile with the balances in Oracle Receivables.

The following report shows the outcome of importing the order with AutoInvoice.
Inserting New Lines

Invoices imported using AutoInvoice can be maintained using the Transaction Workbench. Modifying attributes such as the transaction date or customer will force the invoice lines to recalculate the tax using the tax vendor extension. Additionally, invoice lines can be deleted, updated, or inserted.

The following figure shows a third invoice line being added to the imported invoice.

Update Invoice Lines

In the figure below, the quantity of the third invoice line is changed from 4 to 2. The original tax amount for this invoice line will be deducted from the vendor’s audit files and the new tax amount will be inserted.

Any modifications to the tax amounts will always be maintained across the vendor’s audit files.
Credit the Invoice

Manual credit memos can be applied to an invoice through Oracle Receivables. The tax amounts for this credit memo will always reconcile to your vendor’s tax reports.
Adjust the Invoice

As with manual credit memos, manual adjustments can be applied to your invoice and the tax amounts will also reconcile to your vendor’s tax reports. Only approved adjustments of type ‘Tax’ will be applied to the vendor’s tax reports. This gives you greater control over which adjustments should reduce the sales tax liability.

Copy (Recur) an Invoice

When you copy (recur) transactions, tax will be calculated using the tax vendor extension on all copied invoices.
Viewing the Copied Invoice

The copied invoice will have the exact same invoice lines as the original invoice. The tax amounts will automatically be recalculated by the tax vendor extension which may give different results if the tax rates have changed over time.
Creating Manual Invoices

You can also create invoices manually in Oracle Receivables using the Transactions window. The tax amounts will be calculated by the tax vendor extension and will reconcile to your vendor’s tax reports.
Invoice Lines on Manual Invoices

The figure below shows the invoice lines for this manually created invoice. As with invoices imported through AutoInvoice, tax amounts will always be recalculated when you update, delete, or insert invoice lines and the tax amounts will reconcile with your vendor’s tax reports.
Apply Exemptions to Invoice Lines

Vertex’s TDM will always be used to determine if an invoice line should be exempt. Optionally, an Order Entry clerk or a Receivables clerk may want to mark a particular invoice line ‘exempt.’ Tax exemptions defined in Oracle Receivables can be applied to an invoice line and the tax vendor extension will override the TDM and exempt the invoice line.
Vendor Tax Reports (Complete)

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| TAXABLE AMT | 75,650.00 | 75,650.00 | .00 | .00 |
| ZERO RATE AMT | .00 | .00 | 75,650.00 | 75,650.00 |
| EXEMPT AMT | 4,600.00 | 4,600.00 | 4,600.00 | 4,600.00 |
| GROSS SALES | 80,250.00 | 80,250.00 | 80,250.00 | 80,250.00 |

The boldfaced, larger numbers in this tax report correspond to the lines in the operations described below:

- AutoInvoice and Importing Invoices: Inserts lines 1 and 2
- Inserting New Lines: Inserts line 3
• Updating Lines: Backs out of original tax amount with Line 4; Inserts line 5
• Manual Credit Memos: Inserts lines 7, 8, and 9
• Manual Adjustments: Inserts line 6
• Copy (Recur) an Invoice: Inserts lines 10, 11, and 12
• Creating Manual Invoices: Inserts line 13 and 14
• Updating a line with an exemption backs out the original tax amount with line 15: inserted line 16 has a 100% exemption applied to it

Note: Oracle Receivables and Vertex view the interaction between exemptions and taxable amounts in slightly different ways. Oracle Receivables deducts the tax rate to give the correct tax amount, whereas Vertex deducts the taxable amount to derive the correct tax amount. Therefore, the total taxable amount may differ between Oracle Receivables and the vendor’s tax reports.
This chapter provides an overview of the various accounting and business processes required for the Vertex integration. The following sections are included:

- Accounting for State and Local Taxes
- Working with Vertex Tax Decision Maker (TDM)
- Using Vertex GeoCodes
- Monthly Procedures
- Reconciliation and Audit Procedures
- Support Procedures
Accounting for State and Local Taxes

Oracle Receivables will use the Tax Accounts defined in the Tax Locations and Rates window for each tax amount that you record on the customer invoice. Using Oracle Receivables, you can set up different liability accounts for each ship–to state of the invoice. Using different ship–to states lets you reconcile total tax amounts for each state to the Oracle and Vertex reports. This reconciliation can be used during audit to ensure that any given state has the total tax recorded correctly.

We recommend that you create liability accounts for each state. After you create these accounts and assign them to each state using the Tax Locations and Rates window, those accounts will be used automatically during invoice entry.

Origin and Destination–Based Taxes

Transactions that are subject to Origin and Destination–based tax will have the entire portion of tax recorded in the account noted on the Ship–to State. This does not impact reconciliation because Origin–based taxes are typically levied on District or other local taxes for intra–state transactions (transactions where the ship–from and ship–to states are the same).
The Vertex Tax Decision Maker (TDM) lets you control the taxability of transactions. By using Vertex TDM with Oracle Receivables, you can control taxability at state, county, city, and district levels based on Item, Bill-to Customer, or Ship-to Jurisdiction. Once set up, the TDM will automatically apply these rules to all sales orders and invoices.

The Tax Decision Maker will use the Company, Division, Customer, Address & Part Number, and Category fields for controlling taxability. The integration provides this information to TDM as follows:

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<th>Oracle Value</th>
</tr>
</thead>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>Division Code</td>
<td>Constant 01</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Customer Code</td>
<td>Bill-to customer number of the invoice or order</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Customer Class</td>
<td>(not used)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Address</td>
<td>The GeoCode associated with the Ship-to Address (State, County, City, Zip)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Product Code</td>
<td>Segment1 of the Oracle Inventory Item Key Flexfield</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Table 3 – 1 Vertex Tax Decision Maker Values

When implementing Oracle Receivables, you can choose to record all of your taxability rules and customer/product exemptions using Vertex, Oracle, or a combination of both. If an Oracle exemption is found and applied to the tax calculation, the Vertex programs will still be called and the Vertex Tax Register will include the exempt tax line for complete audit and reconciliation.

For more information on using and changing the standard values of the TDM fields, see: Tax View Functions: page 4–4.
Define Tax Exemptions

Exemption Certificates created within Oracle Receivables using the Tax Exemptions window can be used to control Vertex Quantum and TDM. If you enable Customer Exemptions in the Oracle Receivables System Options window, then any Primary Exemption Certificate that is applicable to a given Bill–to Customer and Ship–to State will be automatically used on Vertex Quantum tax calculations.

Using Oracle you can migrate from Oracle Tax Exemptions to the Tax Decision Maker, allowing a flexible transition from legacy tax controls to the Vertex Quantum Tax Decision Maker.

Order and Invoice level Overrides

You can use the transaction level Tax Handling fields of Oracle Order Entry and Oracle Receivables to provide transaction–level control of Exemptions. These fields allow the Order Entry or Invoice Entry clerks to override the TDM module, letting you identify a transaction as exempt, and documented with the Reason and Certificate Number fields. The Oracle Receivables profile option Tax: Allow Override of Customer Exemptions lets you secure access to this feature.
Working with Vertex GeoCodes and GeoCoder

GeoCodes

GeoCodes are used by Vertex to identify a taxing jurisdiction. The GeoCode supplements or replaces the address fields (State, County, City, ZIP) with a 9 digit numeric code. This code is an internal code that is understood by the Vertex Quantum Integration.

A GeoCode is typically needed when the state, zip, and city fields of an address do not uniquely identify the exact taxing jurisdiction. For example, the same city and zip can be found in multiple counties.

Using GeoCodes with Oracle Applications

The Oracle Receivables Customer Workbench and Oracle Sales & Marketing Contacts Workbench will automatically populate the County field of an address given the other field values.

Alternatively, all three fields (state, county, city) are automatically populated when you enter a single zip code. If multiple candidates exist, then only those applicable location values are shown in the list of values. As a result, you rarely need to research an address and manually identify the county or GeoCodes before the customer can be invoiced.

The association of an address to a GeoCode is an automatic process, but can be manually overridden. For more information, see: Descriptive Flexfields: page 4–13.

GeoCoder

The Vertex GeoCoder is a PL/SQL program unit or API that will convert address information into GeoCodes. The Vertex Quantum integration will call the GeoCoder API’s at calculation time if needed. The PL/SQL function SHIP_TO_ADDRESS_CODE will attempt to return the GeoCode for every tax calculation. If this function fails to return a GeoCode, then the GeoCoder API is called automatically.

Vertex Quantum will raise a Vertex error message if after both attempts for a GeoCode is not found for a given tax calculation.

The GeoCoder is only called for the Ship–to Address; if no GeoCode is found for the SHIP_FROM and POA addresses, then the Ship–to GeoCode will be used for these values.
Monthly Procedures

Database Storage Requirements

The Oracle Receivables tables AR_LOCATION_VALUES and AR_LOCATION_RATES should be sized to allow a full upload of the Vertex SEQMAST data file; a full upload requires approximately 100MB of free space. An additional 100MB of free space is required in the Vertex schema to allow the Vertex tables to be initialized.

Each audited tax calculation requires approximately 800 bytes of database storage within the Vertex Schema. Normally, each Oracle Receivables transaction line will need one audited tax calculation; however, manual changes to the invoice lines will require an additional 1600 bytes for each change.

For more information, please refer to the *Vertex Quantum Installation Manual* and Preparing to Load Sales Tax Rates in the *Oracle Receivables Tax Manual*.

Address Validation Data – Vertex SEQMAST file

Each month Vertex will send an updated version of the SEQMAST data file. You need to upload the SEQMAST file into both Vertex Quantum and Oracle Receivables. This will ensure that Oracle Receivables has the latest information for address validation and GeoCode assignments.

As part of your standard monthly procedures, you can use the SQL*Loader script $AR_TOP/bin/arvertex.ctl to load the SEQMAST data file into the Oracle Receivables Tax Interface tables. Then, run the Sales Tax Rate Interface program to transfer this data into Oracle Receivables. Repeat both of these steps each month as the Vertex data file is updated. These procedures will ensure that you have up to date address validation data available.

Use the following Unix script to execute the SQL*Loader program:

```
mv SEQMAST SEQMAST.dat
sqlload apps/apps control=$AR_TOP/bin/arvertex.ctl \
data=“SEQMAST” discard=“vertex.dis” skip=1 rows=4096
```

Next, run the Oracle Receivables concurrent program Sales Tax Rate Interface using the following parameters:
### Sales Tax Reporting and Reconciliation Processes

Before completing your tax returns using the Vertex Quantum reports, you should reconcile the total tax amounts held in Oracle Receivables, Oracle General Ledger, and Vertex Quantum.

Oracle Receivables will post all tax amounts to the Vertex Quantum Tax Ledger so that Quantum reports can be used to assist the state and local tax filing process. Using Oracle, the Vertex Tax Ledger is posted online as the transactions are entered. This allows Oracle and Vertex to provide tax reports without a lengthy period end close procedure and long running posting program. This online posting of tax, using Vertex, is a key benefit of the Oracle/Vertex product integration.

Since Oracle performs this posting of tax amounts automatically and for all transactions that you enter, you should ensure that the steps in the Reconciliation Checklist below have been completed before you close your period and report your state and local taxes.

#### Reconciliation Checklist

- All transactions must be completed and posted to the General Ledger. You should verify that no incomplete, manually entered transactions exist for your reporting period. Incomplete invoices will appear as Tax Liabilities in Vertex without an appropriate receivable in Oracle.

  All incomplete transactions must be either completed or deleted from Oracle Receivables before the period is closed.

  **Suggestion:** Run the Oracle Receivables Incomplete Invoice report to see all incomplete invoices, debit memos, and credit memos that exist for your reporting period.

- Reconcile Oracle Receivables total tax amounts by state to Oracle General Ledger. The Total Tax amounts by State reported by the Oracle Receivables US Sales Tax Report should reconcile to each
state tax liability account held in Oracle General Ledger. If this reconciliation step fails, refer to Reconciling US Sales Tax in the *Oracle Receivables Tax Manual*.

- Reconcile Oracle total tax amounts by state to Vertex Quantum. After you run the Vertex reports, you should be able to reconcile the tax amounts by state to both Oracle Receivables and Oracle General Ledger. If this reconciliation step fails, verify that you have no incomplete transactions in Oracle Receivables.

**Audit Process**

Each taxable transaction line within Oracle Receivables will be recorded in the Vertex Quantum Reports as a single Vertex report line.

If a Receivables transaction line is updated, the integration will post two audit records to the Vertex Quantum Register to record the update. The first will reverse out the original value for tax, the second record will then post the updated values. This is illustrated in Update Invoice Lines: on page 2–9 and in sections 4 and 5 of: Vendor Tax Reports: page 2–16.

During your audit, a given line in the vertex register report may need to be grouped with the other lines within the same report before it can be reconciled to Oracle Receivables.

This process allows for a rapid period close, as long running posting programs do not have to be completed before the AR period is closed.
Support Procedures

If you have a support request concerning tax calculations, Oracle Receivables will document all the input and output parameters to the tax calculation. You can then use this information to document your support request.

Vertex error messages are prefixed with 'APP–11526: Vertex.' These messages can be received when creating invoices or sales orders. If you receive an error message and are unsure why the error occurred, follow these procedures to document the parameters to the Vertex tax calculation, then refer to the Vertex Quantum documentation and support procedures.

If you are using Oracle Receivables AutoInvoice or the Copy Transactions program, run either program with the Message Level field in the Receivables System Options window set to 3. You can then use the complete log file to help document your support request.

If you are using the Oracle Receivables Transaction Workbench or Oracle Order Entry Sales Orders Workbench, please follow the steps below to document your support question.

**Step 1  Enable Log File**

Open the Oracle Receivables Transactions Workbench, then choose Tools –> Examine from the Help menu.

```
Block: Parameters
Item Name: AR_DEBUG_FLAG
Item Value: FS <Pathname> <Filename>
```

The `<Pathname>` must be a pathname that is already specified in the UTL_FILE_DIR parameter of this instances INIT.ORA file. For example:

```
Item Value: FS /tmp vertex001.txt
```

**Attention:** To execute this procedure you will need your DBA to provide:

- Access to the Help–>Tools–>Examine window
- A pathname, listed in the INIT.ORA file for the parameter UTL_FILE_DIR
Step 2  **Execute Tax Calculation**

Using either the Oracle Receivables Transactions Workbench or the Oracle Order Entry Sales Orders Workbench, enter a transaction line. The system will calculate the tax amount and record all of the calculation parameters in the named text file.

Step 3  **Exit Oracle Applications**

Once the system has started recording the tax calculations it will continue to record this information until you exit the application.
This chapter describes the internal communication parameters between Oracle and Vertex, the Oracle tax view functions that support this communication, and how to extend the integration using user descriptive flexfields and the PL/SQL functions. This chapter also includes some commonly asked questions about using Vertex Quantum with Oracle Receivables.
Available Parameters

The structure ARP_TAX.tax_info_rec is the communications area for the integration with Vertex Quantum. This structure passes information that is selected from the database views. The tax extension then calculates the tax and passes back all of the necessary output parameters through the same structure.

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Table 4 – 1  Input Members of the Data Structure arp_tax.tax_info_rec

### Tax View Functions

The views that will be used by the tax vendors will return some extra information that were passed a NULL in the Oracle views. These values will be passed to the views through PL/SQL functions from the package ARP_TAX_VIEW_VERTEX.

Additionally, the package will define the procedure GET_EXEMPTIONS, which will return information about exemptions. This procedure is not called by the views, but rather by the interface package.

The following functions will be defined for Vertex (ARP_TAX_VIEW_VERTEX package).

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### Table 4 – 2 Vertex Functions

The PL/SQL functions are included in the Oracle Receivables file $AR_TOP/patch/110/sql/ARTXVWB.pls.

The functions will be defined as follows; if the returned value has a combined meaning (for example, if the first character means something and the rest of the string means something else), this will be described; if the value is derived from a descriptive flexfield defined on a table, this will also be defined; if the function is relevant only to a particular vendor, this will also be marked.

**FUNCTION COMPANY_CODE (**

```
p_view_name    IN VARCHAR2,
p_header_id    IN NUMBER,
p_line_id      IN NUMBER) RETURN VARCHAR2;
```

**INPUT**

- `p_view_name` Name of view calling this function
- `p_header_id` ID of transaction header
- `p_line_id` ID of transaction line

**RETURNS** Company code

This value is used to control the tax reporting level. Returns ‘01’ for Vertex.

The PL/SQL global variable
ARP_STANDARD.SYSPARM.SET_OF_BOOKS_ID and ARP_STANDARD.SYSPARM.ORG_ID can be referenced from within these functions for set of books and organization information.
FUNCTION CUSTOMER_CLASS ( 
    p_view_name IN VARCHAR2,
    p_header_id IN NUMBER,
    p_line_id IN NUMBER,
    p_customer_id IN NUMBER) RETURN VARCHAR2;

INPUT  p_view_name Name of view calling this function
       p_header_id ID of transaction header
       p_line_id ID of transaction line
       p_customer_id ID of customer (ship-to, bill-to, or other)

RETURNS Customer class

Returns the customer class code of the customer. This value is used to determine exemption eligibility. Returns NULL.

FUNCTION DIVISION_CODE ( 
    p_view_name IN VARCHAR2,
    p_header_id IN NUMBER,
    p_line_id IN NUMBER) RETURN VARCHAR2;

INPUT  p_view_name Name of view calling this function
       p_header_id ID of transaction header
       p_line_id ID of transaction line

RETURNS Division code

This value is used to control the tax reporting level. Returns ‘01’ for Vertex.

The PL/SQL global variable ARP_STANDARD.SYSPARM.SET_OF_BOOKS_ID and ARP_STANDARD.SYSPARM.ORG_ID can be referenced from within these functions for set of books and organization information.
PROCEDURE GET_EXEMPTIONS(

    p_exemption_id IN NUMBER,
    p_cert_no OUT VARCHAR2,
    p_state_exempt_percent OUT NUMBER,
    p_state_exempt_reason OUT VARCHAR2;
    p_county_exempt_percent OUT NUMBER,
    p_county_exempt_reason OUT VARCHAR2,
    p_city_exempt_percent OUT NUMBER,
    p_city_exempt_reason OUT VARCHAR2,
    p_district_exempt_percent OUT NUMBER,
    p_district_exempt_reason OUT VARCHAR2);

INPUT p_exemption_id ID of exemption
OUTPUT p_cert_no Certificate Number
    p_<juris>_exempt_percent Exemption percent for jurisdiction
    p_<juris>_exempt_reason Exemption reason for jurisdiction

This function is called by ARP_TAX_VERTEX (interface package) to determine the jurisdiction level exemptions.

If p_exemption_id is passed a NULL value, then no exemptions were found. Therefore, all output parameters will be passed back a NULL value.

Otherwise, p_cert_no will inherit the actual Oracle exemption certificate number and the exemption reasons for all jurisdictions will inherit the actual Oracle exemption reason.

The exemption percent will be derived from ATTRIBUTE12, ATTRIBUTE13, ATTRIBUTE14, ATTRIBUTE15 for the district, state, county, city exemption percentages respectively from the Tax Exemption Information descriptive flexfield. If they do not exist, then the exemption percentages will be set to that of the actual Oracle exemption.
FUNCTION PART_NUMBER ( 

    p_view_name IN VARCHAR2, 
    p_header_id IN NUMBER, 
    p_line_id IN NUMBER, 
    p_item_id IN NUMBER, 
    p_memo_line_id IN NUMBER) RETURN VARCHAR2;

INPUT

    p_view_name Name of view calling this function
    p_header_id ID of transaction header
    p_line_id ID of transaction line
    p_item_id ID of inventory item
    p_memo_line_id ID of memo line

RETURNS

This function returns the part number used by the vendors to determine exemptions for this line. This function will return SEGMENT1 from the MTL_SYSTEM_ITEMS table (System Items key flexfield). If a memo line is passed instead of an inventory item, then a NULL value is passed.
FUNCTION POA_ADDRESS_CODE (  
  p_view_name            IN VARCHAR2,
  p_header_id            IN NUMBER,
  p_line_id              IN NUMBER,
  p_salesrep_id          IN NUMBER) RETURN VARCHAR2;

INPUT    p_view_name            Name of view calling this function
          p_header_id            ID of transaction header
          p_line_id              ID of transaction line
          p_salesrep_id          ID of the primary sales representative

RETURNS   The Point–of–Order–Acceptance Jurisdiction code and In/Out City Limits flag

The first character of this function will return the In/Out City Limits flag. If this value is 1, then the Point–of–Order–Acceptance is within city limits; if this value is 0, then it is outside city limits.

The rest of the string will be the value of the jurisdiction code for the Point–of–Order–Acceptance.

The In/Out City Limits will be derived from ATTRIBUTE14 of the Sales Representative Information descriptive flexfield. The jurisdiction will be derived from ATTRIBUTE 15 of the Sales Representative Information descriptive flexfield.

If this information is not available, then the default value of ‘XXXXXXXXXXX’ will be returned. This will indicate to the interface package that the ship–from GeoCode should be used. If no ship–from GeoCode is found, then the ship–to GeoCode will be used in place of POA_ADDRESS_CODE.
FUNCTION SHIP_FROM_ADDRESS_CODE (  
  p_view_name IN VARCHAR2,
  p_header_id IN NUMBER,
  p_line_id IN NUMBER,
  p_warehouse_id IN NUMBER)
RETURN VARCHAR2;

INPUT   
  p_view_name Name of view calling this function
  p_header_id ID of transaction header
  p_line_id ID of transaction line
  p_warehouse_id ID of warehouse of the ship–from

RETURNS The Ship–from Jurisdiction code and In/Out City Limits flag

The first character of this function will return the In/Out City Limits flag. If this value is 1, then the Ship–from is within city limits; if this value is 0, then it is outside city limits.

The rest of the string will be the value of the Jurisdiction code for the ship–from.

The In/Out City Limits will be derived from ATTRIBUTE19 of the Additional Organization Unit Details descriptive flexfield. The Jurisdiction code will be derived from ATTRIBUTE 20 of the Additional Organization Unit Details descriptive flexfield.

If either of these information is not available, then the default value of 'XXXXXXXXXX' will be returned. This will indicate to the interface package that the ship–to address code should be used in place of the SHIP_FROM_ADDRESS_CODE.
FUNCTION SHIP_TO_ADDRESS_CODE(

    p_view_name  IN VARCHAR2,
    p_header_id  IN NUMBER,
    p_line_id    IN NUMBER,
    p_ship_to_address_id  IN NUMBER,
    p_ship_to_location_id  IN NUMBER,
    p_trx_date  IN DATE,
    p_ship_to_state  IN VARCHAR2,
    p_postal_code  IN VARCHAR2) RETURN VARCHAR2;

INPUT

    p_view_name  Name of view calling this function
    p_header_id  ID of transaction header
    p_line_id    ID of transaction line
    p_ship_to_address_id  ID of Ship–to address
    p_ship_to_location_id  ID of Ship–to location
    p_trx_date  Transaction Date
    p_ship_to_state  State of the Ship–to
    p_postal_code  Zip code for the Ship–to

RETURNS

The Ship–to Jurisdiction code and In/Out City Limits flag

The first character of this function will return the In/Out City Limits flag. If this value is 1, then the Ship–to is within city limits; if this value is 0, then it is outside city limits. The rest of the string will be the value of the Jurisdiction code for the Ship–to.

The In/Out City Limits will be derived from ATTRIBUTE14 of the Address Information descriptive flexfield. The Jurisdiction code will be derived from ATTRIBUTE15 of the Address Information descriptive flexfield.

If the In/Out City Limits flag is not found at ATTRIBUTE 14 of the Address Information descriptive flexfield, this function will default to within city limits ('1').

If the Jurisdiction code is not found at ATTRIBUTE15 of the Address Information descriptive flexfield, this function will search for the Jurisdiction code in ATTRIBUTE1 of AR_LOCATION_RATES table.

If a value is not found, then a NULL value is passed back from Vertex. This will then cause an error to occur within the tax engine.
FUNCTION STATE_TYPE (  
   p_view_name IN VARCHAR2,  
   p_header_id  IN NUMBER,  
   p_line_id    IN NUMBER) RETURN  
   NUMBER;  

INPUT    p_view_name Name of view calling this 
          p_header_id  ID of transaction header 
          p_line_id    ID of transaction line 

RETURNS   GL account type  

This function returns 1 or 2: 1 indicates that one GL account should be 
used for State, County and City; '2' indicates that one GL account 
should be used per State, County, and City. Returns the value of the 
profile option 'Tax Vertex: State Type.'

FUNCTION TRX_LINE_TYPE (  
   p_view_name IN VARCHAR2,  
   p_header_id  IN NUMBER,  
   p_line_id    IN NUMBER) RETURN  
   VARCHAR2;  

INPUT    p_view_name Name of view calling this 
          p_header_id  ID of transaction header 
          p_line_id    ID of transaction line 

RETURNS   Transaction type  

This function returns the transaction type. Valid values are  
PURCHASE, RENTAL, SALE, or SERVICE. Returns 'SALE.'
FUNCTION USE_SECONDARY (  
    p_view_name IN VARCHAR2,
    p_header_id IN NUMBER,
    p_line_id IN NUMBER) RETURN VARCHAR2

INPUT p_view_name Name of view calling this function  
p_header_id ID of transaction header  
p_line_id ID of transaction line

RETURNS Use Secondary tax flag

This value controls whether secondary taxes should be returned. '1' for Yes and '2' for No. Returns the value of the profile option 'Tax Vertex: Secondary Taxes.'

Descriptive Flexfields

Many of the above functions derive their value from descriptive flexfields. The following table organizes these descriptive flexfields. Included are the value sets (which dictate the format of the value) that are expected in these columns. If these columns are not used, then a default value will be assigned.

Table Name | Descriptive Flexfield Name | Column | Description | Value Set Name
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HR_ORGANIZATION_UNITS | Additional Organization Unit Details | ATTRIBUTE20 | Ship–from Jurisdiction Code | AR_TAXVDR_VERTEX_GEO
 |  | ATTRIBUTE19 | Ship–from In/Out City Limits | AR_TAXVDR_YES_NO
RA_SALESREPS | Sales Representative Information | ATTRIBUTE15 | POA Jurisdiction Code | AR_TAXVDR_VERTEX_GEO
 |  | ATTRIBUTE14 | POA In/Out City Limits | AR_TAXVDR_YES_NO

Note: All of the fields are optional. If you do not use these fields, only the ship–to GeoCode will be used. If you are using these fields, ensure that you register each field as required.
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<thead>
<tr>
<th>Table Name</th>
<th>Descriptive Flexfield Name</th>
<th>Column</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Value Set Name</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>RA_ADDRESSES</td>
<td>Address Information</td>
<td>ATTRIBUTE15</td>
<td>Ship–to Jurisdiction Code</td>
<td>AR_TAXVDR_VERTEX_GEO</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>ATTRIBUTE14</td>
<td>Ship–to In/Out City Limits</td>
<td>AR_TAXVDR_YES_NO</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RA_TAX_EXEMPTIONS</td>
<td>Tax Exemption Information</td>
<td>ATTRIBUTE12</td>
<td>District Exempt Percent</td>
<td>AR_TAXVDR_PERCENT</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
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<td>ATTRIBUTE13</td>
<td>State Exempt Percent</td>
<td>AR_TAXVDR_PERCENT</td>
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<td>County Exempt Percent</td>
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<td>City Exempt Percent</td>
<td>AR_TAXVDR_PERCENT</td>
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</table>

Table 4–3  Descriptive Flexfields and their Values

⚠️ **Warning:** Use of these columns are considered customizations. Functions supplied by Oracle may change in future releases to support these fields in core tables. Additionally, if these columns are in use by your customizations, you will need to either redefine the view functions so that they look in other attribute columns, or your customizations will need to be changed so that they reside in other locations.
Commonly Asked Questions

What benefits are there to the Vertex Quantum Integration?

- Oracle Receivables provides a simple solution to US Sales Tax Compliance that does not consider Origin Based Taxes, Quantity Thresholds, or Muni/District Taxes.

- The integration with Vertex Quantum allows you to calculate, account for, and report on these complex taxes. You may be required to consider these tax issues if you have multiple warehouses or you have warehouses that are located in jurisdictions that include origin–based tax.

- Vertex Inc. provides leadership and expertise in state and local tax research.

- Quantum Calculation Engine: Provides the ability to calculate complex state, local, and district taxes based on ship–to, ship–from, and order acceptance locations.

- Quantum TDM:
  - Flexible tax exemption and exception processing
  - Central control by Tax Department
  - Eliminate IS involvement

- Quantum Returns:
  - Windows GUI application
  - Supports over 350 laser printed tax returns
  - Eliminates manual preparation of tax returns, allowing more time for tax planning.

Who should I call to obtain the Vertex products and services?

Vertex Sales Department
1–800–355–3500
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When is the Tax Extension called to calculate a rate?

The Tax Extension is called whenever Receivables or Oracle Order Entry calculates a sales tax or VAT rate. The following concurrent programs and windows do this:
• Oracle Order Entry Sales Orders Workbench
• Oracle Order Entry Sales Acknowledgment Report
• Receivables AutoInvoice program
• Receivables Transaction Workbench
• Receivables Copy Transactions program
• Sales and Marketing Quotes window
• Web Customer Orders

What Sales Tax Location Flexfield structure should I select when implementing the Tax Extension within the US?

Oracle Applications provides the following default location structures for sites within the US:

• State.County.City

The State.County.City structure provides the greatest accuracy in locating a tax jurisdiction and tax rate given a customer address. Additionally, the SQL*Loader control file arvertex.ctl supports the State.County.City location flexfield structure.

How do we make orders or invoices exempt from tax when using a Tax Vendor?

Receivables and Oracle Order Entry will automatically find customer exemptions based on the bill-to customer and ship-to site. If found, the exemption certificate number and reason will be passed down to the Tax Vendor.

How do we distinguish between tax rates calculated by Oracle and tax rates calculated by an installed Tax Vendor?

Receivables will mark tax lines for an invoice that have been calculated by an installed Tax Vendor.

How do I implement tax on freight?

Receivables will calculate tax on freight lines if you can enter freight as a revenue line item. Additionally, you can automatically present freight lines as revenue lines during the Ship Confirm process within Oracle Order Entry. If the Oracle Order Entry user profile Tax: Invoice Freight
as Revenue is set to Yes, the Oracle Order Entry Receivables Interface program will generate a standard invoice line for the freight amount, optionally using the inventory item defined by the user profile Tax: Inventory Item for Freight. Refer to the Oracle Receivables Tax Manual for more information.

Does the Customer Interface program allow me to import US customer addresses without a County field when I have address validation set to ‘Error’ and a Sales Tax Location flexfield of ‘State.County.City’?

No. When preparing to convert legacy data that only tracks state, city, and zip code, you will need to manually assign the correct county to each customer address before you import that customer into Oracle Receivables.
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