Oracle® Retail Merchandise Financial Planning

Release Notes

Release 13.2

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Oracle Retail Merchandise Financial Planning (MFP) provides strategic and financial product planning functions. These functions support industry planning standards for preseason and in-season processes. MFP facilitates the creation of financial plans in a structured method through the following processes:

- Setting and passing targets to lower levels

- Plan reconciliation among top down, middle out, and bottom up levels

- Approval of bottom up plans

- Plan monitoring and maintenance at all levels

- Re-planning at all levels

Overview of the Fashion Planning Bundle

The Fashion Planning Bundle is the integration of Item Planning (IP), Clearance Optimization Engine (COE), Assortment Planning (AP), Merchandise Financial Planning (MFP), and Size Profile Optimization (SPO) as a full-suite planning solution for fashion retailers.

Hardware and Software Requirements

See the *MFP Cost Installation Guide* and *MFP Retail Installation Guide* for information about the following:

- Hardware and software requirements

- Oracle Retail application software compatibility information

Integration Enhancement

MFP 13.2 includes the following integration enhancement.

Reconciliation with Item Planning

Addition measures for integration between MFP and Item Planning have been included in this release. These measures represent the Sales by Type and Markdowns by Type measures available in MFP.

With this enhanced integration, Item Planning users can reconcile the Sales and Markdown types with MFP at a detailed level.

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Noteworthy Defect Fix

The following noteworthy defect fix and enhancement is included in MFP 13.2.

Fixed Issue/Defect	Defect Number
In the exportToIP.ksh script, the export intersection was not aligned with the base intersection of the export measure. This resulted in errors when plans were committed for a subclass. This script has been corrected to use Boolean measures based at the subclass level rather than class.	9832345

Known Issues

The following table contains issues that have been identified for the current release.

Known Issue/Defect	Defect Number

MFP Retail: If you are integrating MFP Retail with IP or IP COE through flat file integration (rather than ODI), then you must add the following two lines to the mfp_ip_transferlist.txt file (located in $MFPRETAIL_HOME/bin):
 	
`bucpcogsc bucpcogsc`
`buopcogsc buopcogsc`
	9912514

MFP Cost: If you are integrating MFP Cost with AP through flat file integration (rather than ODI), then you must modify the exportToAP.ksh script (located in $MFP_COST_HOME/bin) as follows:
 	
Change these two lines
 	
`-meas ${measure1} -intx weekclsschnl -mask moappcpnewb -processes`
`-meas ${measure1} -intx weekclsschnl -mask moappopnewb -processes`
 	
to this:
 	
`-meas ${measure1} -intx weekclsschnl -mask mowpappcpnewb -processes`
`-meas ${measure1} -intx weekclsschnl -mask mowpappopnewb -processes`
	9915214

Known Issue/Defect	Defect Number

MFP Retail: If you are integrating MFP Retail with AP through flat file integration (rather than ODI), then you must modify the exportToAP.ksh script (located in $MFP_RETAIL_HOME/bin) as follows:
 	
Change these two lines
<pre>-meas ${measure1} -intx weekclsschnl -mask moappcpnewb
-processes
-meas ${measure1} -intx weekclsschnl -mask moappopnewb
-processes</pre>
to this:
<pre>-meas ${measure1} -intx weekclsschnl -mask mowpappcpnewb
-processes
-meas ${measure1} -intx weekclsschnl -mask mowpappopnewb
-processes</pre>
In addition, in MFP Retail to AP integrations that use flat files (rather than ODI), the BUCpSlsR and BUCpSlsU measures are not being successfully integrated between the two applications. This is because MFP Retail does not store these sales measures, but rather stores sales by type measures.
 	
To address this issue, perform the following steps:
 	
1. In the MFP Retail configuration (located in $MFP_RETAIL_HOME/config), ensure that the two measures have databases defined.
 	
2. In the MFP Retail configuration (located in $MFP_RETAIL_HOME/config), add the following commit rules to rule group MO_cmt_app:
 	
  ■ BUCpSlsR.master = if(MOWPpunelapsedB, BUCpSlsR, ignore)
 	
  ■ BUCpSlsU.master = if(MOWPpunelaspedB, BUCpSlsU, ignore)
 	
3. In the file $MFP_RETAIL_HOME/bin/MFP_IP_transferList.txt, add the following lines:
 	
  ■ bucpslsr mfcpslsr
 	
  ■ bucpslsu mfcpslsu
 	
4. Apply a configuration patch to the domain.
	9915247

In MFP Retail domain build script (build_mfp.ksh), there are several loadmeasure calls. One of those calls, the call to load DRTYMiscOutU, fails because of a syntax error. The line
<pre>loadmeasure -d $MFP_MASTERDOMAIN -measure DrTyMiscOutU
-loglevel $LOGL</pre>
should be modified to
<pre>loadmeasure -d $MFP_MASTERDOMAIN -measure DrTyMiscOutU
-loglevel $LOGLEVEL</pre>
	9925273

Known Issue/Defect	Defect Number
MFP Retail: In MFP Retail to AP integrations that use flat files (rather than ODI), the BUCpGMPV measure is not being successfully integrated between the two applications. This is because the BUCpGMPV measure is not being committed within the Middle Out workbook. To address the issue, perform the following steps: 1. In the MFP Retail configuration (located in $MFP_RETAIL_HOME/config), ensure that the BUCpGMPV measure has a database defined. 2. In the MFP Retail configuration (located in $MFP_RETAIL_HOME/config), add the following commit rule to the rule group MO_cmt_app: ■ BUCpGMPV.master = if(MOWpunelapsedB, BUCpGMPV, ignore 3. Apply a configuration patch to the domain.	9924341

Supplemental Documentation at My Oracle Support

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Oracle Retail Fashion Planning Bundle Reports Documentation (Note ID 1132783.1)

The Oracle Retail Fashion Planning Bundle Reports package includes role-based Oracle Business Intelligence (BI) Enterprise Edition (EE) reports and dashboards that provide an illustrative overview highlighting the Fashion Planning Bundle solutions. These dashboards can be leveraged out-of-the-box or can be used along with other dashboards and reports that may have already been created to support a specific solution or organizational needs. This package includes dashboards for the Assortment Planning, Item Planning, Item Planning Configured for COE, Merchandise Financial Planning Retail Accounting, and Merchandise Financial Planning Cost Accounting applications.

The Oracle Retail Fashion Planning Bundle Reports documentation set includes the following documents that describe how you can install and use the reports and dashboards:

■ *Oracle Retail Fashion Planning Bundle Reports Installation Guide* – This guide describes how you can download and install the Fashion Planning Bundle reports. This guide is intended for system administrators and assumes that you are familiar with the Oracle Retail Predictive Application Server (RPAS) and Oracle BI EE.

■ *Oracle Retail Fashion Planning Bundle Reports User Guide* – This guide describes the reports and dashboards included for the Oracle Retail Fashion Planning Bundle solutions.

Related Documentation

For more information, see the following documents in the Oracle Retail Merchandise Financial Planning 13.2 documentation set:

- *Oracle Retail Merchandise Financial Planning Retail Installation Guide*

- *Oracle Retail Merchandise Financial Planning* Cost *Installation Guide*

- *Oracle Retail Merchandise Financial Planning Retail User Guide for the RPAS Classic Client*

- *Oracle Retail Merchandise Financial Planning Cost User Guide for the RPAS Classic Client*

- *Oracle Retail Merchandise Financial Planning Cost User Guide for the RPAS Fusion Client*

- *Oracle Retail Merchandise Financial Planning Retail User Guide for the RPAS Fusion Client*

- *Oracle Retail Merchandise Financial Planning Operations Guide*

For more information about the Fashion Planning Bundle applications see the following documentation sets:

- Oracle Retail Item Planning documentation

- Oracle Retail Item Planning Configured for COE documentation

- Oracle Retail Clearance Optimization Engine documentation

- Oracle Retail Assortment Planning documentation

- Oracle Retail Size Profile Optimization documentation

For more information about the RPAS Fusion Client, see the following documents in the Oracle Retail Predictive Application Server 13.2 documentation set:

- *Oracle Retail Predictive Application Server Release Notes*

- *Oracle Retail Predictive Application Server Licensing Information*

- *Oracle Retail Predictive Application Server Installation Guide*

- *Oracle Retail Predictive Application Server Administration Guide*

- *Oracle Retail Predictive Application Server User Guide for the Classic Client*

- *Oracle Retail Predictive Application Server Online Help for the Classic Client*

- *Oracle Retail Predictive Application Server Configuration Tools User Guide*

- *Oracle Retail Predictive Application Server Configuration Tools Online Help*

- *Oracle Retail Predictive Application Server User Guide for the Fusion Client*

- *Oracle Retail Predictive Application Server Online Help for the Fusion Client*

For more information about RPAS and the ODI Enabled Integration, see the following documentation sets:

- Oracle Retail ODI Enabled Integration documentation

- Oracle Data Integrator documentation

- Oracle Retail Predictive Application Server documentation

Previous Releases

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