Oracle® Hyperion Provider Services

Release 11.1.2.0.000 Patch Set 1 (PS1): 11.1.2.1.000

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Purpose

This document includes important, late-breaking information about this release of Hyperion Provider Services. Review this Readme thoroughly before installing Provider Services.

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New Features

See the Oracle Hyperion Provider Services New Features.

For new features relating to installation, architecture, and deployment changes in this release, see "New Features" in the Oracle Hyperion Enterprise Performance Management System Installation Readme.

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Installation Information

Late-breaking information about installation of EPM System products is provided in the *Oracle Hyperion Enterprise Performance Management System Installation Readme*. Review this information thoroughly before installing EPM System products.

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Supported Platforms

Information about system requirements and supported platforms for EPM System products is available in a spreadsheet format in the *Oracle Hyperion Enterprise Performance Management System Certification Matrix*. This matrix is posted on the Oracle Fusion Middleware Supported System Configurations page on the Oracle Technology Network (OTN) and listed in the Oracle Business Intelligence product area:

http://www.oracle.com/technology/software/products/ias/files/fusion_certification.html

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Supported Languages

Information about supported languages for EPM System products is available in a spreadsheet format on the Translation Support tab in the *Oracle Hyperion Enterprise Performance Management System Certification Matrix*. This matrix is posted on the Oracle Fusion Middleware Supported System Configurations page on OTN (listed in the Oracle Business Intelligence product area):

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Supported Paths to this Release

You can upgrade to EPM System Release 11.1.2.1 from the following releases:

Note: For instructions to upgrade, see the *Oracle Hyperion Enterprise Performance Management System Installation and Configuration Guide,* "Upgrading EPM System Products."

| Release Upgrade Path From | То |
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| 11.1.2.0.x | 11.1.2.1 |
| | Note that when moving from Release 11.1.2.0.x to Release 11.1.2.1, you use the "Apply Maintenance Release" option in EPM System Installer, instead of following the documented upgrade procedures. |
| 11.1.1.3.x | 11.1.2.1 |
| 9.3.3.x | 11.1.2.1 |
| Note: If you were using Performance Management Architect Release 9.3.1, you can download the Performance Management Architect release 9.3.3 from My Oracle Support. | |
| 9.2.1.x | 11.1.2.1 |
| An environment that includes multiple releases, which can include an environment with one instance of Shared Services or an environment with two instances of Shared Services | See "Upgrading from an Environment with Multiple Releases" in the "Upgrading EPM System Products" chapter in the Oracle Hyperion Enterprise Performance Management System Installation and Configuration Guide. |

Notes:

- If you are starting from Release 9.2.x, Oracle recommends the following upgrade path: 9.2.0 to 9.2.1 to 11.1.2.1
- If you are starting from Release 9.3.x, Oracle recommends the following upgrade path: 9.3.0 to 9.3.1 to 9.3.3 to 11.1.2.1
- If you are starting from Release 11.1.1.x, Oracle recommends the following upgrade path: 11.1.1.0 or 11.1.1.1 or 11.1.1.2 to 11.1.1.3 to 11.1.2.1
- If you are starting from an earlier release, Oracle recommends that you upgrade to the highest level release that directly supports upgrade from your starting release.
- Security Synchronization between Essbase and Shared Services was removed in Essbase Release 9.3, starting with Release 9.3.1.4.1. Essbase and Shared Services Release 11.1.1.3, however, still synchronize security information. For this reason, if you are using Essbase Release 9.3.1.4.1, 9.3.1.5, 9.3.1.6, or 9.3.1.7, you must first upgrade all products to Release 9.3.3, as recommended above. Upgrading to Release 11.1.1.3 is not an option for these Essbase releases.

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| Defect Number | Defect Fixed |
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| • 7347141 | Customized data perspectives created in Smart View Smart Slices are lost upon refresh if free form operations are performed. |
| • 8456130 | In Smart View, the Member Selection dialog box may not display the list of members for each dimension. |
| • 8502594 | In Smart View, member names that contain an ampersand (&) are treated as a substitution variable and must be placed within brackets and quotation marks in order to be interpreted as a member name. |
| • 9438068 | In Smart View, the Member Selection dialog box filter may not display all user- defined attributes (UDAs) if there are more than 100 UDAs in the outline. |
| • 9404387 | JAPI sessions and XMLA sessions cannot be processed in parallel; they must be processed serially. When a request times out, we recommend that you create a new session rather than use the same session to process any other requests. The reason is that Provider Services might still be processing the request that has timed out on the client side, and any subsequent request issued to Provider Services will result in concurrent requests for the same session. |
| • 9448140 | In Smart View, when you try to create a Smart Slice with more than 200 user- defined attributes (UDAs), Excel may freeze. |
| • 9488558 | When working with recursive hierarchy drill-through, if you specify drill-through by generation, the drill-through report is not populated. |
| • 9491559 | When working with recursive hierarchy drill-through, if you specify drill-through by level and provide a level number, users are able to drill-through on all levels, not only the one you specified. |
| • 9665573 | You cannot retrieve data for an outline that contains duplicate and shared members using fully qualified names in Smart View. |
| • 9693564 | If you create a script in EIS to perform incremental updates and then run the script from the command line, you get a "Cannot perform cube view operation, null" error when you try to drill down in Smart View. This does not happen if you run the script from EIS. |

Defects Fixed in this Release

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| • 9797078 | Smart View cannot connect to Oracle Business Intelligence Enterprise Edition 11g through Provider Services. |
| • 9871108 | In Smart View, if both Include selection and Within selected group are selected as Member Selection options, the grid is displayed wrongly when a dimension is pivoted from the grid to the POV. |
| • 9886065 | Increasing the number of maximum allowable rows in the Provider server does not work. |
| • 9899590 | Java API invokes set-active calls for each instance of the main API. This can consume a large amount of time on Essbase. With the fix, all set-active calls are optimized in JAPI and only one set-active is sent to Essbase during a user session. |
| • 9871108 | In Smart View, if both Include selection and Within selected group are selected as Member Selection options, the grid is displayed wrongly when a dimension is pivoted from the grid to the POV. |
| • 9886065 | Increasing the number of maximum allowable rows in the Provider server does not work. |
| • 10163140 | Provider Services may issue a stack overflow error, after which it freezes and accepts no further connections. |
| • 10181819 | Drill-through performance in Smart View is very slow. |
| • 10214443 | In Smart View free-form mode, you may get an error if the Essbase outline contains aliases for dimensions. |
| • 10363455 | After the initial log on and off, user names do not appear in Provider Services. |
| • 10416397 | When you try to connect to Provider Services through Administrative Services, you get several error messages. |

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Defects Fixed in Release 11.1.2.0

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| • 7516872 | Applications whose names are greater than 8 characters in length may cause an error. In this release, application names can contain up to 30 characters. |
| • 8207401 | During ad hoc analysis in Smart View, if you change POV values from base values and refresh, refresh works as expected. However, if you then enter free form mode and refresh, all POVs are set back to base values. |
| • 8244313 | In Smart View, if Repeat Member Labels Suppression is enabled in Smart Slice preferences, incorrect data may be returned when you refresh after performing an Excel delete. |
| • 8397348 | Essbase text lists that contain Cyrillic characters are not visible in Smart View. |
| • 8547688 | In Smart View with German regional settings, numbers entered may be returned incorrectly after refreshing. For example, 32,45 may become 32.450.000.000. |
| • 8596467 | The Java API method setPasswordChangeNeededNow(true) does not work. The reason is that this method has been deprecated. |

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| • 8603848 | In Smart View, Provider Services accepts invalid cube names that are passed to the VBA function HypExecuteCalcScriptEx() rather than throwing an error. |
| • 8689647 | In Smart View, running the VBA function HypDeleteCalc results in an error even if no actual error exists. |
| • 8845267 | In Smart View, if you attempt to log into a data source without proper permissions, you receive an "Requested operation failed. Error: java.lang.NullPointerException" message rather than one that states that you do not have permission. |
| • 8875047 | In the Smart View Query Designer, when you filter on "Levels" nothing is returned for dimensions with more than one word in their names. |
| • 8914243 | In XMLA, queries against measures whose name contains an ampersand (&) result in an error. |
| • 8927887 | XMLA queries generated via the Microsoft Reporting Services are significantly slower than the same queries run in Administration Services. |
| • 8965389 | If multiple Essbase servers are defined in Provider Services, only applications from the first server defined are displayed in Smart View. |
| • 8965395 | Invalid members (members that are shown in the POV but do not exist in the outline) may cause Excel to terminate abruptly. Now, instead of terminating, Smart View displays an error message and enables users to select a valid member name. |
| • 8989951 | In Smart View, you cannot perform queries against Oracle BI EE. |
| • 9003778 | Date measures submitted to Essbase in Spreadsheet Add-in may be incorrect when retrieved in Smart View. |
| • 9041719 | XMLA clients do not return the correct number of members in dimensions that contain more than 10,000 members. |
| • 9233608 | Multiple calls to Essbase from HsGetValue in Smart View through Provider Services may result in "stuck thread" errors. |

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Known Issues

The following issues are the noteworthy known issues of this release.

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| 9104922 | MaxL statements that require API support do not work. On such statements, you will receive an error message that the statement is not supported. |
| 8674073 | In Smart Slice dimensions that contain more than 5000 members, not all members will be displayed when users zoom in on the dimension. To use Smart Slices on dimensions with more than 5000 members, in the essbase.properties file, located in <i>EPM_ORACLE_INSTANCE</i> \bin, set the property service.olap.dataQuery.grid.maxRows=0 and increase maximum heap size to 512M. Restart Provider Services. |
| 9071025 | Users connected to Essbase through Provider Services may be prompted repeatedly to log into Essbase for an obsolete connection used in a previous session. Workaround: From Shared Services, locate datasource.xml and manually edit the file to delete obsolete connections. |

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| 11655006 | Ensure that you use the correct syntax to specify secure mode. When you set the OLAP_NAME to cluster URL, use the values "yes" or "no" to specify whether you want to use secure mode, for example, OLAP_SERVER=http:// <servername>:<port>/aps/Essbase?ClusterName=Win32Clust er-1&SecureMode=yes</port></servername> |
| | All other values (for example, SecureMode=true or SecureMode=false) are invalid and are interpreted by Provider Services as SecureMode=no. |
| | If you use invalid syntax, no error message is generated, nor is the connection halted. Therefore, if you were to enter SecureMode=true to specify secure communication, it would be interpreted as SecureMode=no, and the connection would be made successfully but not in secure mode. |
| 11772464 | In XMLA stateless session, you may get this error message: "Concurrent requests on the same session are not allowed. Wait till the previous request completes processing or kill the request" |
| 11839647 | When you connect a Java API client to Essbase using a Provider Services URL without the port, for example, http:// <hostname>/aps/Essbase?ClusterName=<logical name>, you may get the following error: Cannot connect to Essbase server, Error(1030027): Port length must be less or equal to 9 character9Including white space) when passed to ESSAPI function EssLogin.</logical </hostname> |
| | This occurs only in Provider Services instances that are deployed on default ports (80/443) and only for Java API clients that use the Provider Services URL as the OLAP server name for resolving the Essbase logical name for implementation in release 11.1.2. |
| 11898620 | When you use the Essbase cluster URL in a Java API client program running in 3-tier APS mode, the Provider Services host used to resolve the Essbase cluster URL is the Provider Services host name to which the client is connected in the 3-tier mode; the Provider Services host name within the Essbase Cluster URL is not used. These two references to Provider Services hosts are usually same. When you use the Essbase cluster URL in a Java API client program running in embedded 2-tier mode, then the Provider Services host used to resolve the Essbase cluster URL is the Provider Services host name within the Essbase cluster URL is the Provider Services |

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Tips and Troubleshooting

If you use Oracle BI EE with Provider Services, Oracle recommends that you increase maximum heap size to 512M.

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Documentation Updates

Accessing EPM System Product Documentation

The most recent version of each EPM System product guide is available for download from the Enterprise Performance Management System Documentation area of the OTN Web site (<u>http://www.oracle.com/technology/documentation/epm.html</u>). For faster access to the documentation, you can also use the Enterprise Performance Management Documentation Portal

(<u>http://www.oracle.com/us/solutions/ent-performance-bi/technical-information-147174.html</u>) which also links to EPM Supported Platform Matrices, My Oracle Support, and other information resources.

Deployment-related documentation is also available from the Oracle E-Delivery Web site (<u>http://edelivery.oracle.com/EPD/WelcomePage/get_form</u>).

Individual product guides are available for download on the Oracle Technology Network Web site only.

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The most up-to-date version of this guide can be found in the EPM System Documentation Library on the Oracle Technology Network (<u>http://www.oracle.com/technology/documentation/epm.html</u>).

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