Oracle Data Masking Oracle FLEXCUBE Universal Banking Release 12.0.3.0.0 [April] [2014]





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1. Purpose

To conduct a proof of concept/feasibility testing of Oracle Enterprise manager 11g Database control release 11.2.0.1.0 data masking pack for FLEXCUBE data masking requirements and to document the process that would be used for data masking and to baseline templates for data masking.

1.1 Introduction to Data Masking

Some of the FLEXCUBE customers have shared production data within and outside the organization for various business purposes that are not intended for non production use.

Database administrators (DBAs) in these cases copy production data into staging or test environments to allow in-house developers or offshore testers to perform application development and application testing with the copy of live data that contains a lot of sensitive information.

The problem with data sharing is that copies of production data often contain company confidential, sensitive or personally identifiable information, access to which is restricted by government regulations. Oracle Data Masking provides a comprehensive easy-to-use solution to share production data with internal and external entities while preventing sensitive or confidential parts of the information from being disclosed to unauthorized parties.

1.2 Data Masking Benefits

The following are the data masking benefits:

- Increase Protection from accessing confidential data. The data once masked is irreversible
- Reduce restrictions on data use
- Provides the realistic data for testing, development and training environment.

1.3 **Data Masking Features**

The following are the data masking features:

- Automatic database referential integrity when masking primary key
- Centralized Masking formats(Format library)
- Portable masking definitions (Templates)
- Define once, execute multiple times
- View sample data before masking



2. Hardware and Software Requirements (OEM Grid Control Server)

The following are the hardware and software requirements:

- Minimum 2 GB physical memory (RAM)
- 500 MB space in TEMP directory
- 3 GB disk space for ORACLE HOME directory.
- Oracle OEM 11G Database Control Release 11.2.0.1.0



3. Data Masking Process Flow

This section explains the data masking process flow:

3.1 Creating New Data Masking Formats from Scratch

- Identify the tables that contain sensitive information. Indentify if there any child tables that refer this data with or without explicit foreign key relationships.
- Define mask formats for the sensitive data. The mask formats may be simple or complex depending on the information security needs of the organization.
- Create a masking definition to associate table columns to these mask formats. Data masking determines the database foreign key relationships and adds foreign key columns to the mask.

3.2 **Data Masking in Staging Area**

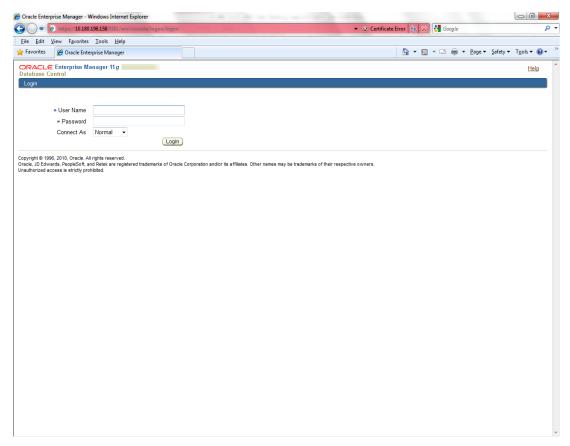
- Once the data masking template is ready the data masking operation can be performed.
- Clone the production database to a staging area that is a controlled environment; disable
 any database links, streams, or references to external data sources. Back up the cloned
 database or, at a minimum, the tables that contain masked data. This will help you restore
 the original data if the masking definition needs to be refined further.
- Select and apply the masking definition for the staging database and verify if the masked data meets the information security requirements.
- For the first time the data masking is attempted or after any change in the masking it is recommended that the data is reviewed to ensure that the data is desensitized and the application is tested to ensure that the application works fine.
- After masking the staging site, clone the database to a test region. When cloning the database to an external or unsecured site, export & import should be used.



Creating a Data Masking Template

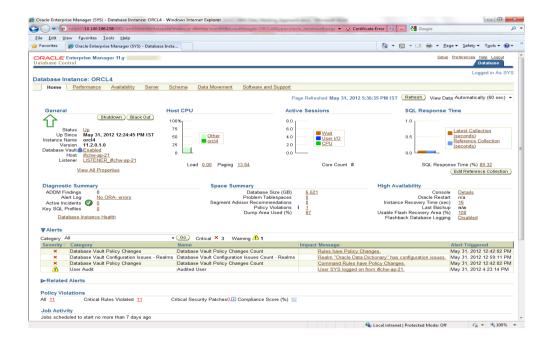
In this section we will go through the masking process step by step. We will be using an example in which we will mask **address1** column of **MSTM_CUST_ADDRESS** table in **FCCKERTMP** schema of **orcl** database.

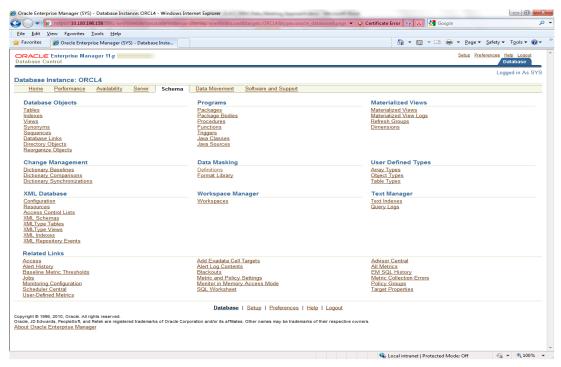
1. Login to the Enterprise Manager as a SYS user.



2. Click 'Schema' Tab available on the home page.



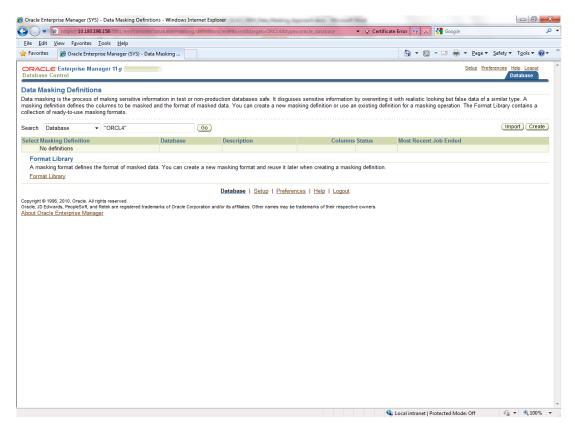




3. Click 'Definitions' link available under Data Masking menu.

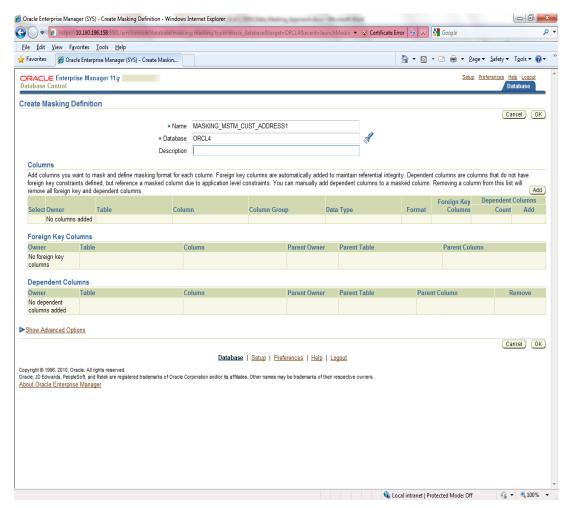


4. This will lead to Data Masking Definitions Page. To begin masking click 'Create' button as shown below.



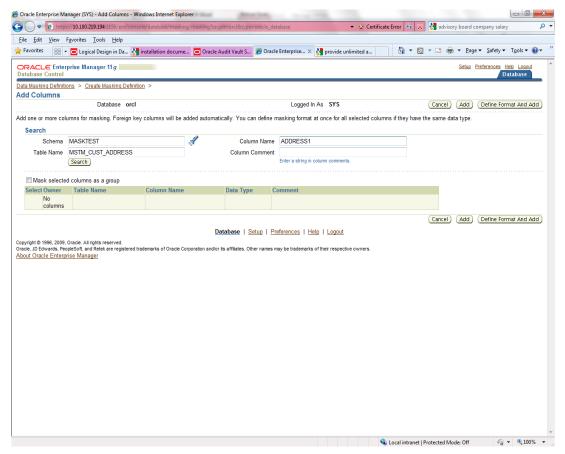
5. In the next screen, we will enter our Masking definition name. Our database name gets defaulted to **orcl4**.





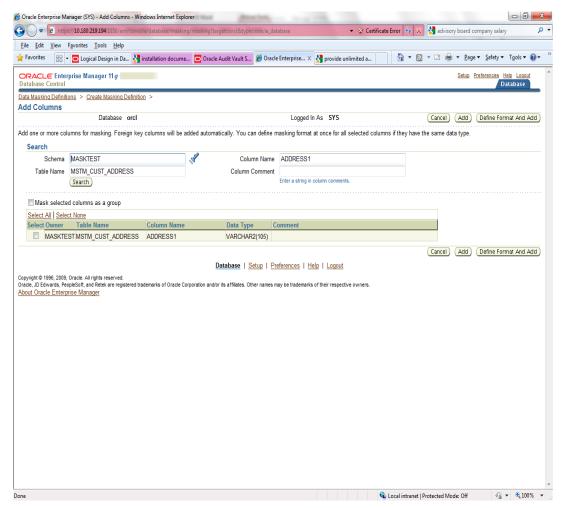
- 6. Click 'Add' Button.
- 7. In this screen we will enter Schema, table, column details. For column name we can a**lso** use wild card (e.g. %ADDR%). Next, we click on search button.





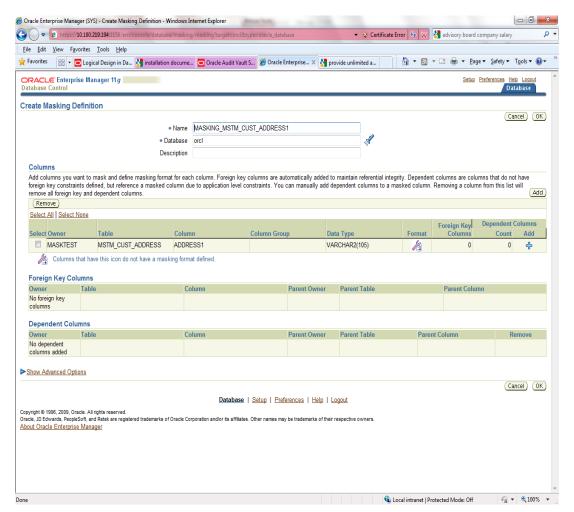
8. Click the first check box for this example and click 'Add'.





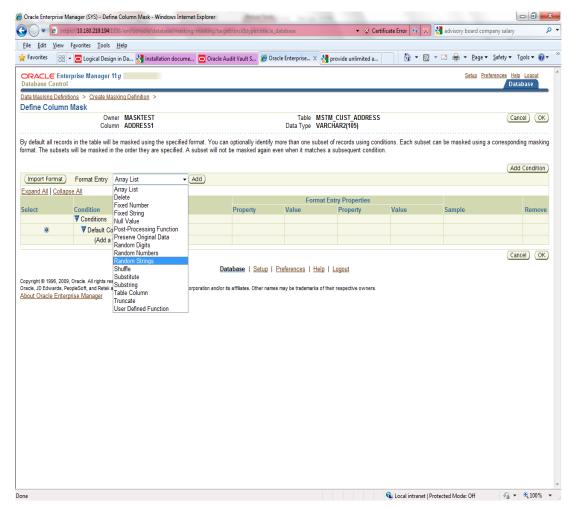
9. Now, we can see the column added in our Masking definition. The symbol below format label indicates that the Masking format has not been defined for this column. Click this icon which will take us to the section where we can define masking format for this column.





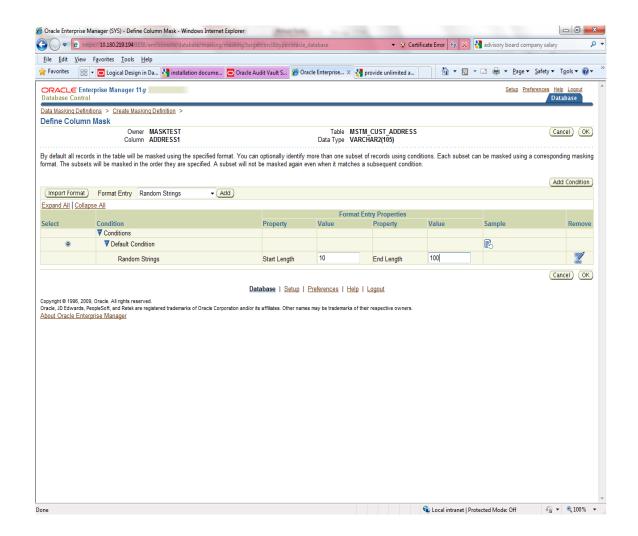
10. In this section define the Masking format for the column. In this example, select Random strings out of a total of 10 options available. Click 'Add 'button which will take us to the next screen.





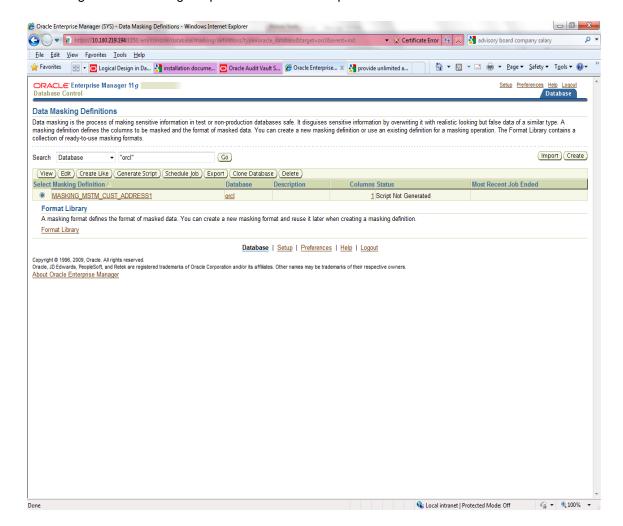
11. Select the Start and end length of our random strings which will replace the actual values of the address1 column we are masking. Click 'OK'.







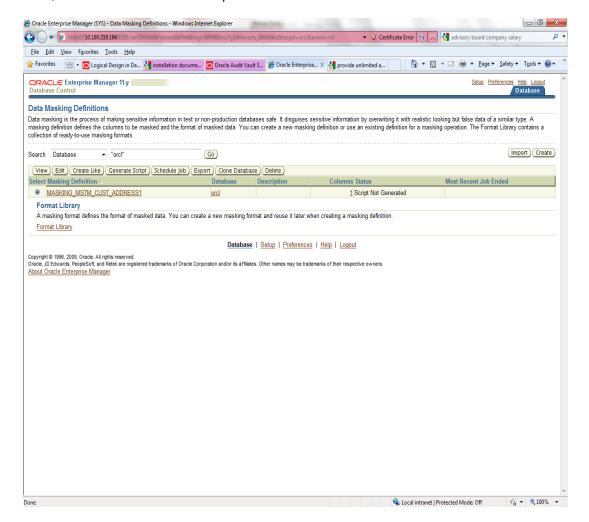
12. Now, since masking format has been defined for our column the icon under Format label has changed. The masking template which can be exported or reused.





3.3 Exporting and Importing a Data Masking Template

We can export our Masking definition by selecting the radio button corresponding to our definition and clicking export button. This will save our definition as an XML file which can be simply imported by clicking on the import button and browsing to the desired XML file. We need to ensure that the masking definition name in the XML should be different from all the existing masking definitions in OEM; else it will not allow us to import the XML.

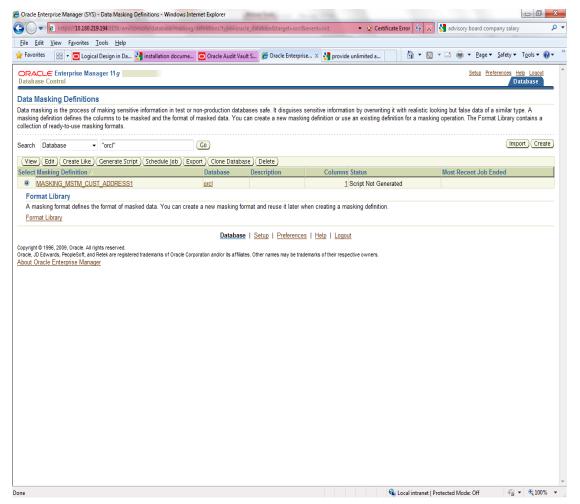




3.4 Masking Data

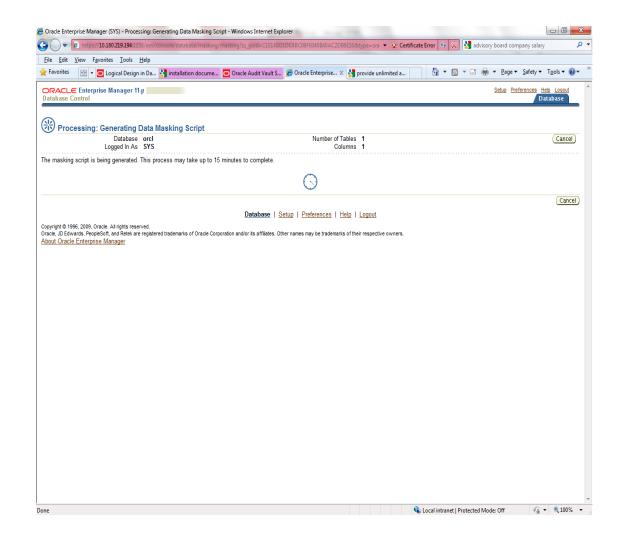
Following are the steps to mask data:

 To use an existing masking template, we will come back to our masking definition screen. After we select the radio button corresponding to the Masking definition we want to apply we will click Generate Script button.

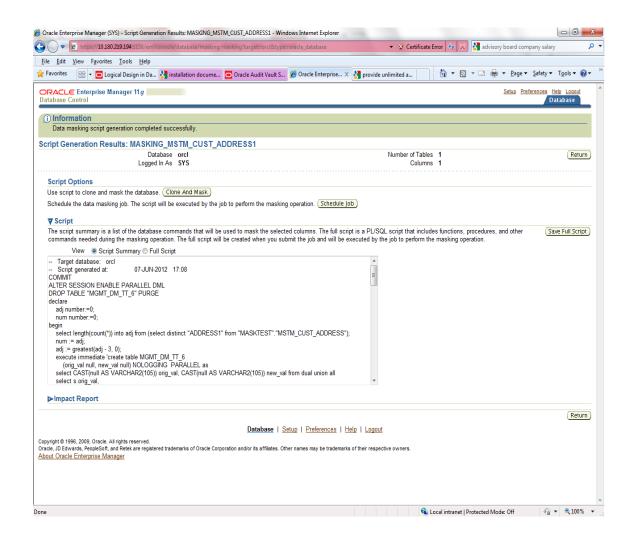


2. Masking process internally creates a new table with masked data and once done, it removes the old table and renames the newly created table to the same name as the old one. This process avoids time taken for updating large tables with millions of rows. To achieve the same, before starting the masking process OEM checks whether we have sufficient free space & quota in the tablespace where the table resides. This check is done in the screen which we are presented with next.

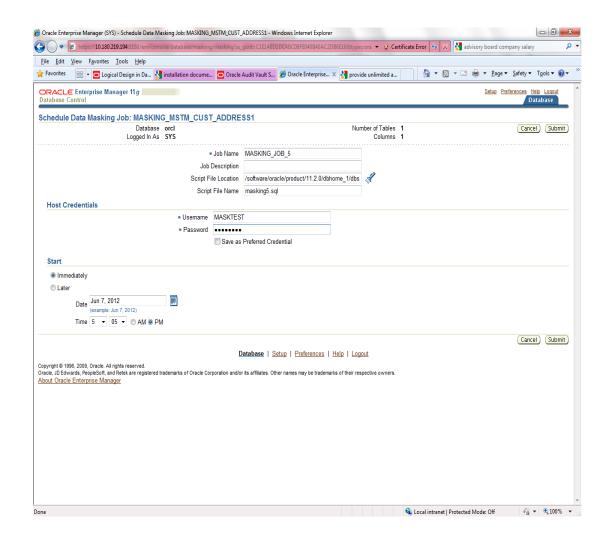




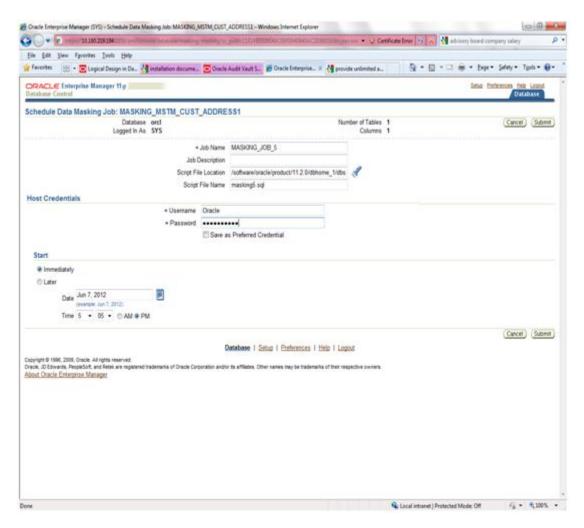






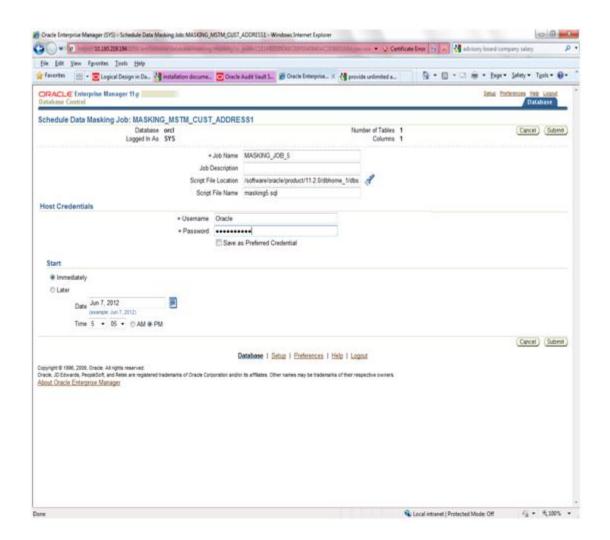






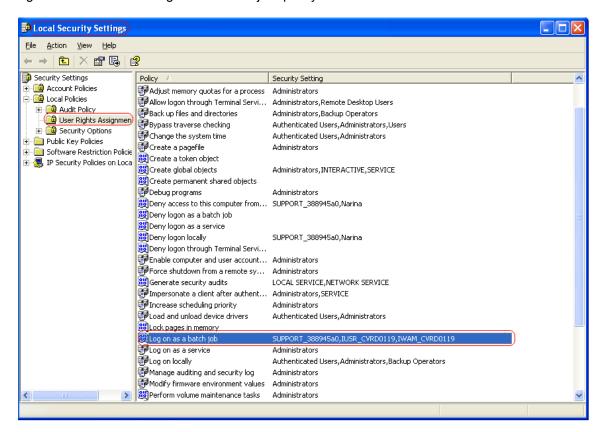
Since Masking is done via a Masking Job submitted by OEM, we need to provide Host credentials for the same to happen. In our case OEM is installed on Windows XP, so we would be giving host credentials for that box. Also, we can schedule the job as per our convenient time, in this case Immediately is selected. If your OEM is installed on a Windows box, you need to check the following point before clicking on Next.







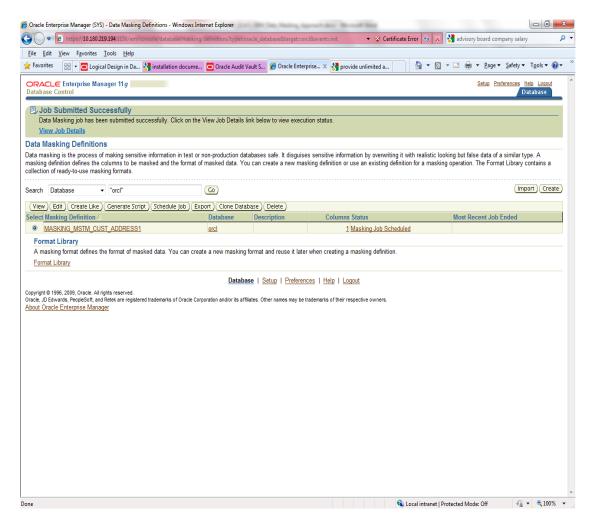
In windows we need to ensure if our NT login account has privileges to run a batch job. For this we will go to Control Panel -> Administrative tools -> Local security policies. Here we will add our NT login user account for "Logon as a batch job" policy as shown.



In the next screen we are presented with Script summary screen, which shows a brief PL/SQL snippet of the masking process. Here we also have an option to save it as a .sql file on our machine.

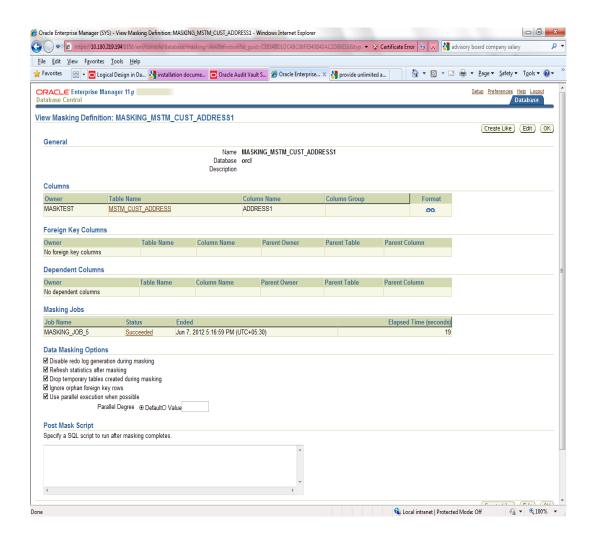
On clicking Submit we are notified that our Job has been successfully submitted. To know the status of the job we need to click on our masking definition in the following screen.





Below screen shows masking job status is succeeded and it even tells us the elapsed time for the same.







3.5 **Application Use Case**

A standard data masking script was available as a SQL script and the script has been used as a baseline to create a Data Masking Template for FLEXCUBE. The FLEXCUBE Data masking template can be effectively enhanced to cover any additional tables that are not covered in the template. The default template covers the following entities that contain confidential and identifiable data.

This data masking template can be found as part of the FLEXCUBE release under ADAPTERS\OracleEM\Data-Masking.

Entity	Table and Column
Bills & Collections Contract Data	BCTB_CONTRACT_PARTIES. PARTY_NAME
	BCTB_CONTRACT_PARTIES. PARTY_ADDR1
	BCTB_CONTRACT_PARTIES. PARTY_ADDR2
	BCTB_CONTRACT_PARTIES. PARTY_ADDR3
	BCTB_CONTRACT_PARTIES. PARTY_ADDR4
	BCTB_CONTRACT_INSURANCE. INSURANCE_COMP_NAME
Broker Static Data	BRTM_BRMASTER. NAME
All Contract Advice	CSTB_CONTRACT_EVENT_ADVICE. ADDRESS_LINE1
	CSTB_CONTRACT_EVENT_ADVICE. ADDRESS_LINE2
	CSTB_CONTRACT_EVENT_ADVICE. ADDRESS_LINE3
	CSTB_CONTRACT_EVENT_ADVICE. ADDRESS_LINE4
	CSTB_CONTRACT_EVENT_ADVICE. PARTY NAME



GL Data	GLTM_GLMASTER. GL_DESC
Letters of Credit Contract Data	LCTB_CONTRACT_MASTER. CUST_NAME
	LCTB_PARTIES. CUST_ADDRESS_LIN1
	LCTB_PARTIES. CUST_ADDRESS_LIN2
	LCTB_PARTIES. CUST_ADDRESS_LIN3
	LCTB_PARTIES. CUST_ADDRESS_LIN4
	LCTB_PARTIES. CUST_NAME
	LCTB_TRANSFER_PARTIES. ADDRESS1
	LCTB_TRANSFER_PARTIES. ADDRESS2
	LCTB_TRANSFER_PARTIES. ADDRESS3
	LCTB_TRANSFER_PARTIES. ADDRESS4
	LCTB_TRANSFER_PARTIES. PARTY_NAME
Messaging Contract and	MSTB_ARCHIVE_OUT. ADDRESS1
Maintenance Data	MSTB_ARCHIVE_OUT. ADDRESS2
	MSTB_ARCHIVE_OUT. ADDRESS3
	MSTB_ARCHIVE_OUT. ADDRESS4
	MSTB_ARCHIVE_OUT. NAME
	MSTB_DLY_MSG_OUT. ADDRESS1
	MSTB_DLY_MSG_OUT. ADDRESS2
	MSTB_DLY_MSG_OUT. ADDRESS3



	MSTB_DLY_MSG_OUT. ADDRESS4
	MSTB_DLY_MSG_OUT. NAME
	MSTB_DLY_MSG_OUT. NAME2
	MSTM_CUST_ADDRESS.ADDRESS1
	MSTM_CUST_ADDRESS.ADDRESS2
	MSTM_CUST_ADDRESS.ADDRESS3
	MSTM_CUST_ADDRESS.ADDRESS4
	MSTM_CUST_ADDRESS.NAME
Authorized Users	SMTB_USER. USER_NAME
Customer and Accounts	STTB_ACCOUNT. CUST_NAME1
Data	STTM_CUSTOMER. ADDRESS_LINE1
	STTM_CUSTOMER. ADDRESS_LINE2
	STTM_CUSTOMER. ADDRESS_LINE3
	STTM_CUSTOMER. ADDRESS_LINE4
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	STTM_CUSTOMER. FULL_NAME
	STTM_CUSTOMER. SHORT_NAME
	STTM_CUSTOMER. SHORT_NAME2
	STTM_CUST_ACCOUNT. AC_DESC
	STTM_CUST_ACCOUNT. ADDRESS1
	STTM_CUST_ACCOUNT. ADDRESS2
	STTM_CUST_ACCOUNT. ADDRESS3
	STTM_CUST_ACCOUNT. ADDRESS4
	STTM_CUST_CORPORATE. CORPORATE_NAME



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