PO Line Descriptions [1]

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Currently there are no descriptions on PO lines (Purchase Order lines). Did you order bucket of bolts for $10? In the m-Fin FINANCIAL DETAIL report you see a PO line for $10 but no description on it saying "bucket of bolts." This is because the descriptions are missing from the underlying CIW database table used by m-Fin. IRM and the CU Marketplace team have devised a solution for this and are testing it now. It only fixes the missing PO line descriptions. The voucher line descriptions that have always been there remain truncated to 30 characters because they are stored this way in CU's PeopleSoft Finance system. So that problem will need to be addressed separately.

Here is an m-Fin FINANCIAL DETAIL example showing the the data now and then what it will look like after the database change goes to production.

NOW

487610 -- COPY MACHINE RENTAL							
487610	PROC - HILL - JULY 2011	0.00	(146.71)	0.00		ACTUALS	SC1
487610	PROC - HILL - JULY 2011	0.00	(39.41)	0.00		ACTUALS	SC1
487610	KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS COPIER USAGE FOR OFFICE COPY EXPENSES PROC - HILL - JULY 2011 154976 HILL, CAROLYN PAULETTA	0.00	137.47	0.00		ACTUALS	ESP
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	487610 -- COPY MACHINE RENTAL	0.00	98.06	0.00	(98.06)		
500102 -- IT NETWORKING SUPPLIES							
500102		0.00	0.00	54.11		EN_PO	PO
500102	90-WATT 3-PRONG SLIM AC ADAPTE	0.00	54.11	0.00		ACTUALS	AP
500102		0.00	0.00	(54.11)		EN_PO	PO
	500102 -- IT NETWORKING SUPPLIES	0.00	54.11	0.00	(54.11)		

AFTER THE DATABASE FIX GOES TO PRODUCTION

487610	PROC - HILL - JULY 2011	0.00	(39.41)	0.00		ACTUALS	SC1
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	487610 -- COPY MACHINE RENTAL	0.00	98.06	0.00	(98.06)		
500102 -- IT NETWORKING SUPPLIES							
500102	90-WATT 3-PRONG SLIM AC ADAPTER WITH 6.56 FT POWER CORD FOR SELECT DELL INSPIRON / LATITUDE / STUDIO / VOSTRO / XPS LAPTOPS / PRECISION MOBILE WORKSTATIONS	0.00	0.00	54.11		EN_PO	PO
500102	90-WATT 3-PRONG SLIM AC ADAPTE	0.00	54.11	0.00		ACTUALS	AP
500102	90-WATT 3-PRONG SLIM AC ADAPTER WITH 6.56 FT POWER CORD FOR SELECT DELL INSPIRON / LATITUDE / STUDIO / VOSTRO / XPS LAPTOPS / PRECISION MOBILE WORKSTATIONS	0.00	0.00	(54.11)		EN_PO	PO
	500102 -- IT NETWORKING SUPPLIES	0.00	54.11	0.00	(54.11)		

You can test this yourself by running **m-Fin FINANCIAL DETAIL** in the Cognos QA [3] Finance folder. When prompted for database connection, select ciwqa. The data is not totally up-to-date in ciwqa, so don't use it to make business decisions, but you can see the effect of the database change for line descriptions. This is how I got the second screen-shot.

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