An IT Perspective of an Acquisition

The Top Six Must-Do List

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Learning Objectives

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After this session you will be able to:

Objective 1: Learn the importance of focusing on business value to realize the potential of acquisitions

Objective 2: Discuss Emergent Value synergies, such as reinventing processes and shedding obsolete practices.

Objective 3: List the six essential post-merger steps to take to avoid the common pitfalls of failed mergers.

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Company Overview: Incorporated 2007 • Helene Abrams, CEO

eprentise Can...

- Consolidate Multiple EBS Instances
- Change Underlying Structures and Configurations
 - Chart of Accounts, Other Flexfields
 - Inventory Organizations
 - Operating Groups, Legal Entities, Ledgers
 - Calendars
 - Costing Methods
- Resolve Duplicates, Change Sequences, IDs
- Separate Data

...So Our Customers Can:

- Reduce Operating Costs and Increase Efficiencies
 - Shared Services
 - Data Centers
- Adapt to Change
 - Align with New Business Initiatives
 - Mergers, Acquisitions, Divestitures
 - Pattern-Based Strategies
 - Make ERP an Adaptive Technology
- Avoid a Reimplementation
- Reduce Complexity and Control Risk
- Improve Business Continuity, Service Quality and Compliance
- Establish Data Quality Standards and a Single Source of Truth

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Focus on Shareholder Value

The New Company: More than the Sum of Its Parts or Less?



The News

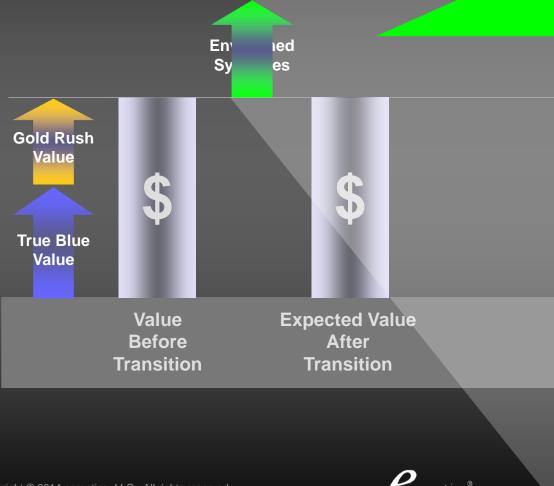


TRUE BLUE INC. ANNOUNCES ACQUISITION OF GOLD RUSH LTD.





The Hope



▲ Shareholder value: the net present value of cash flow freed by...

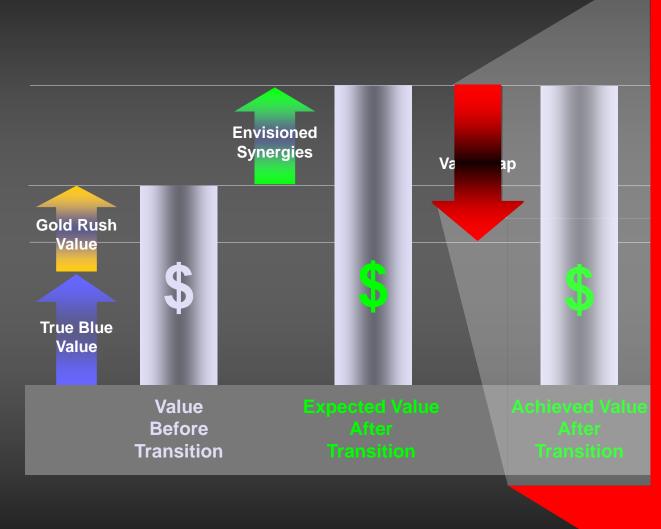
- ▲ Cost reduction
 - ▲ Economies of scale
 - ▲ Combination of duplicate corporate functions
 - ▲ Streamlined sales forces
- ▲ Capital efficiency
 - ▲ Rationalized assets

▲ Combination of duplicate facilities

- ▲ Revenue enhancement
 - Product development
 - synergy \rightarrow new products
 - ▲ Shared marketing skills
 - ▲ Combined distribution

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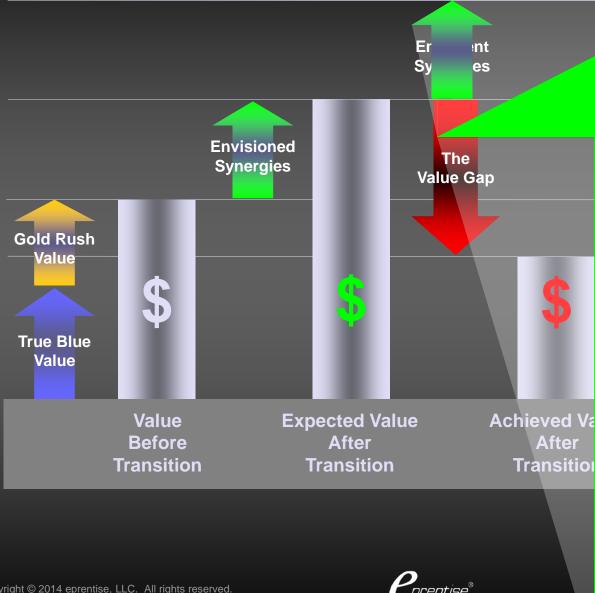
The Value Gap



- Slow integration
- Inexperience
- Lack / loss of vision
- Management wars
- Culture clashes
- Failure to manage risk & change
- Bad communication with stakeholders
- Prices rise, quality falls, customers leave
- Alliances & supplier relationships degrade
- Key people leave
- Business continuity lost



Emergent Value



- Take advantage of complimentary resources at all levels
- Find more profitable uses for assets
- ▲ Achieve both strategic and operational fit
- **Discover new market** opportunities
- ▲ Sell new products to existing customers
- Reinvent processes and shed obsolete practices
- ▲ Capitalize on creativity and excitement evoked as new colleagues interact

The Odds

Major Mergers of the Last Decade

Value Measured: Stock Performance vs Industry Peers

Value enhancement trend from 10 years Do competitive corporate deals deliver? of KPMG International's M&A surveys **KPMG International, 2008 KPMG International, 2008** Base: 100% of corporate respondents Base: Corporate respondents involved in competitive tenders 100 Enhance 17% 27% 30% 31% Neutral 34% 80 13% 30% Reduce 34% 45% 39% 34% 43% 40 42% 53% 39% 20 31% 31% 26% 0 1999 2001 2003 2006 2008

Note: Measurement of value created is based on company share price movements relative to average industry sector movement during a two year period. Factors other than the deal may have affected share price movements over the period.



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The Transition Process

In which the Merger Delivers Shareholder Value or Kills It



M&A Transition Process: The Critical Period

The Transaction Phase: Making the Deal The Transition Phase: Realizing the Value



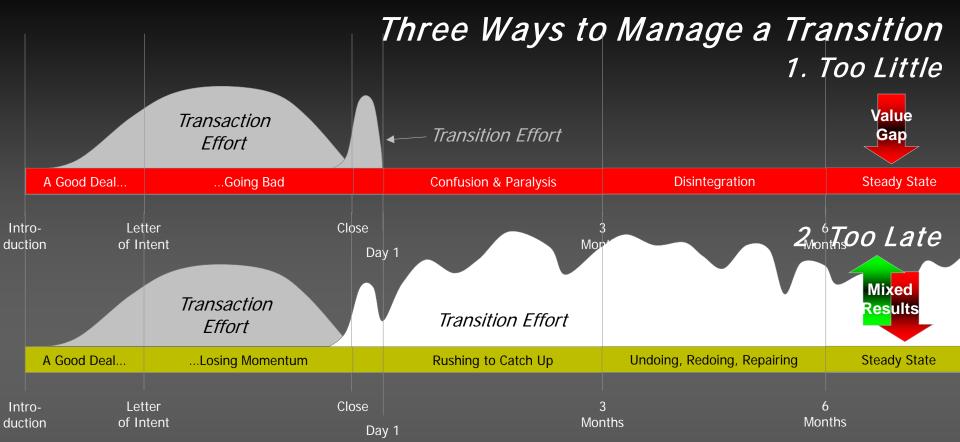
- The remaining 15% of the initiatives must build on those of the first six months.
- Changes introduced after the critical period succumb to waning momentum & priority shifts.
- At around 6 months– for better or for worse the company settles into a new steady state.



	Three Ways to Manage a Transit					
						1. Too Little
		Transaction Effort		Transition Effort		Value Gap
A Good D	eal	Going Bad		Confusion & Paralysis	Disintegration	Steady State
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duction	of Intent		Da	ay 1 Mor	onths	Months

- ▼ Danger: Deal-making is the cool, high-profile phase of a merger or acquisition
- ▼ Illusion: A good deal guarantees a successful merger or acquisition
- ▼ Temptation: Limit the transition effort to Day 1 hoop-la
- ▼ Results:
 - "Good post-merger integration rarely makes a really bad deal work, but bad execution almost always wrecks one that might have had a shot."
 The Case Against Mergers, <u>Business Week</u>, October 1995
 - Late 1990s mergers failed when "managers... underestimated the costs and logistical nightmares of consolidating the operations of companies with very different cultures, ... overestimated cost savings, and failed to keep key employees aboard, sales forces selling, and customers happy."
 Why Most Big Deals Don't Pay Off, Business Week, October 2002
 - "The deal is won or lost after it's done."
 - Kenneth W. Smith, Mercer Management Consulting





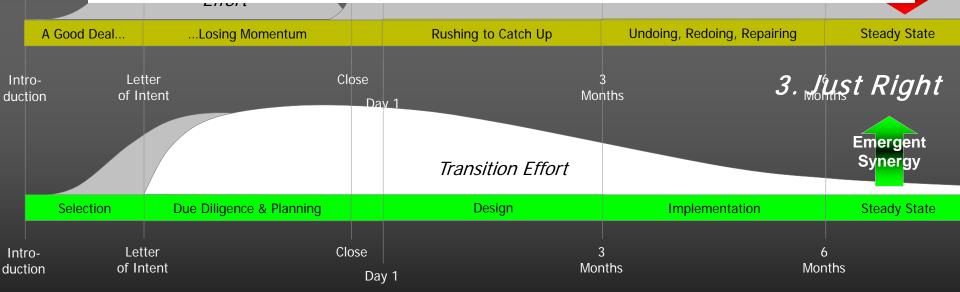
- Deal-makers' interest ebbs after the closing they fail to impart their vision, knowledge, focus, and momentum to transition management
- Visioning, planning, organizing for the transition doesn't start until the deal is closed or never occurs at all, as the transition teams rush into action
- Events race ahead and out of control customers, key employees, and shareholder value are lost in the chaos
- Time, money, and energy are burned in firefighting and fixing mistakes



Three Ways to Manage a Transition1. Too Little

- ▲ The transition effort is taken seriously
- ▲ It receives adequate resources
- Transition planning is an integral part of transaction due diligence
- ▲ Transition teams are ready to go on Day 1
- ▲ The best people from both companies design the new company
- ▲ Rapid implementation reduces the cost of the transition

▲ The process seizes opportunities for synergy to emerge and persist



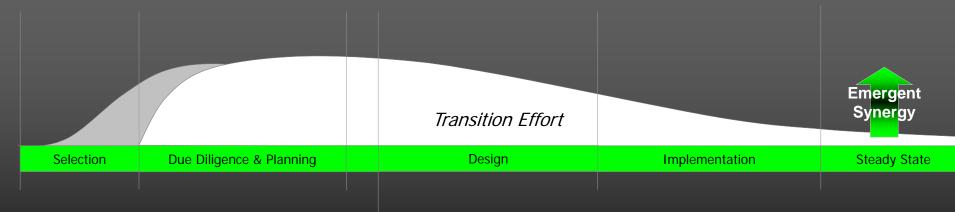
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The Integration Process: Key Success Factors

- Proactive Integration
 - Transaction and Transition as a Single Unified Process
 - Experienced and Trusted Leadership
 - ▲ Vision and Focus
 - ▲ Adequate Resources

- ▲ Speed & Momentum
 - ▲ Staying Ahead of Events
 - Early Realization of Merger Value
 - Prompt Action on People Issues
 - Sustaining Energy and Enthusiasm



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Vision and Plan

Hit the Ground Running in the Right Direction



Thinking Outside of the Box

Why? Key Business Strategies and Synergy Opportunities

- * Why are we merging?
- * How will we know that we are successful?
- What are our integrated operational strategic goals?
- * How will we consolidate to achieve maximum benefit from both organizations?

How?

Management Philosophy

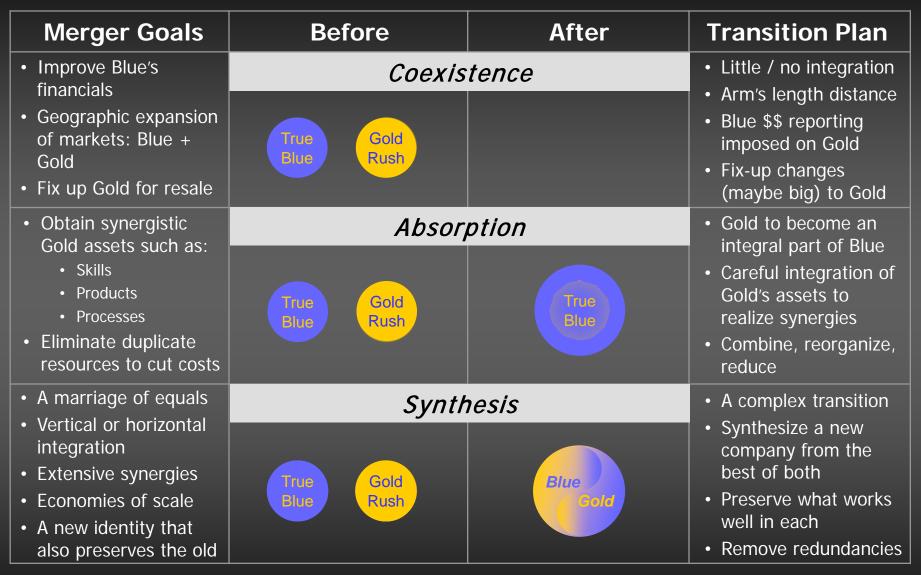
- What kind of culture/employee environment will we build and foster ?
- * What type of management style will we employ?
- What strengths of each organization will we leverage?
- What weaknesses will we overcome with the merger?
- * What policies should we adopt?
- * What new policies must be developed?
- * What skills to we need to retain and develop?
- * What should our culture characteristics be?
- * What initiatives should we continue or halt?

What? High-Level Business Operating Model

- * How will we manage our key business processes?
- What is in scope?
- What are our product, market and channel strategies and desired core competencies?
- How can each function or process contribute to achieving the merger objectives?
- What must happen to integrate each process?
- What will the integrated process look like?
- What will the integrated organization look like?
- * What skills and knowledge must we maintain?
- What will our systems and applications infrastructure look like?
- What systems must we roll out to enable the integration?
- What data and information must be consolidated or converted?
- * How will we support our systems and users?



CSF: Fit the Transition Plan to the Merger Goals



Gold

Rush

True

Blue

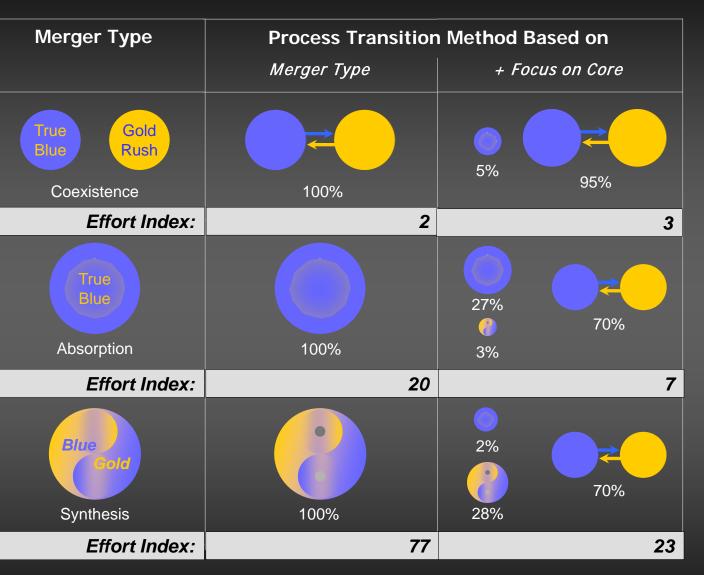


Processes

Designing the Synergies into the New Business



Key Success Factor: Focus Effort on Core Processes



- ▲ Focus on processes that are the Core of the merger vision.
- Save high-effort methods such as Synthesis for them.
- Integrate processes by Synthesis or Absorption only where this effort will deliver synergy value.
- Leave non-Core processes to coexist.
 Usually at least 70% of processes are non-Core.
- Free transition teams to concentrate on the key strategic processes.



Key Success Factor: Focus on Customer Processes

McKinsey Study of Large Mergers in the Late 1990s:

- Overall, acquirers posted organic growth rates 4 percent below their industry peers, with 42 percent of acquirers losing ground.
- Declining revenues are a red flag to skeptical markets ready to question the price paid for an acquired company.
- - Mastering Revenue Growth in M&A, Summer 2001

The Citigroup merger is "regarded by some as one of the worst mergers of all time...Citigroup stuck businesses together but ran them independently... Each part of Citigroup was run like a separate fief."

- New York Times April 3, 2008

- Give priority to customer-facing processes Sales, Support, Order Management.
- Design processes to present one consistent face to the customer.
- ▲ Deliver the benefits of merger synergies visibly to customers new products, better service, more for their money.
- Create and staff interim processes to sustain the quality of products and services through the transition.



People

Realizing Merger Value by Getting the Best to Give Their Best



Acting from Survival Needs Leads to:

- Fear & distrust
- ▼ Jockeying for position
- Rigidity & resistance to change
- Paralysis, distraction, collapse of productivity
- Resentment, sabotage, litigation
- The best people resigning
- The worst people becoming resigned

Minimize!

Maslow's Hierarchy of Human Needs

Self-Actualization Curiosity Achievement

Social Belonging Recognition Self-Esteem

Surviva Food Shelter Safety

Key Success Factors

Acting from Self-Actualization Needs Leads to:

- Sense of ownership of the new company
- Eagerness to contribute to the change
- Freedom to focus on new processes and systems
- ▲ Constructive criticism
- Welcoming of new colleagues
- ▲ Creative ideas
- Discovering emergent synergies at all levels

Maximize!



Using External Resources: Key Success Factors

- ▲ Fill in-house gaps in merger transition experience
 - Ability to manage the business \neq ability to manage a merger
 - External experts can develop in-house merger capability
- ▲ Use an independent external firm specializing in merger integration
 - ▲ Avoid conflicts due to other services from the same provider
 - Independent firm can select best providers of extra services
- ▲ Overcome the double resource crunch of a merger transition
 - ▲ Enough competent people to accomplish the integration
 - ▲ Enough competent people to keep the business humming through the transition
 - ▲ When they're done, they're gone
- ▲ Leverage purchase accounting to pay for the transition
 - ▲ Transition costs don't drag down the operational bottom line
 - ▲ Transition achievements become permanent, reusable operational improvements



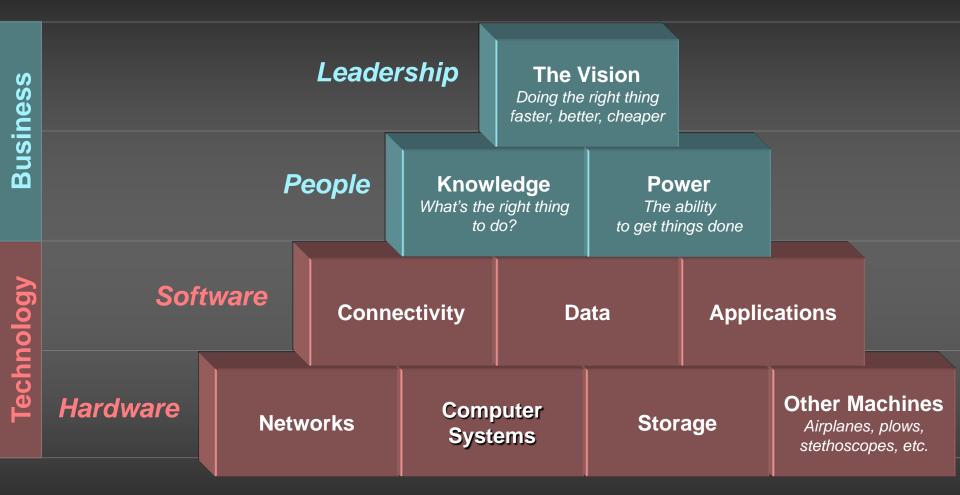
Technology

Enabling the New Enterprise without Delaying the Transition



Technology Enablement

Key Success Factor: Plan Technology Integration from the Top Down

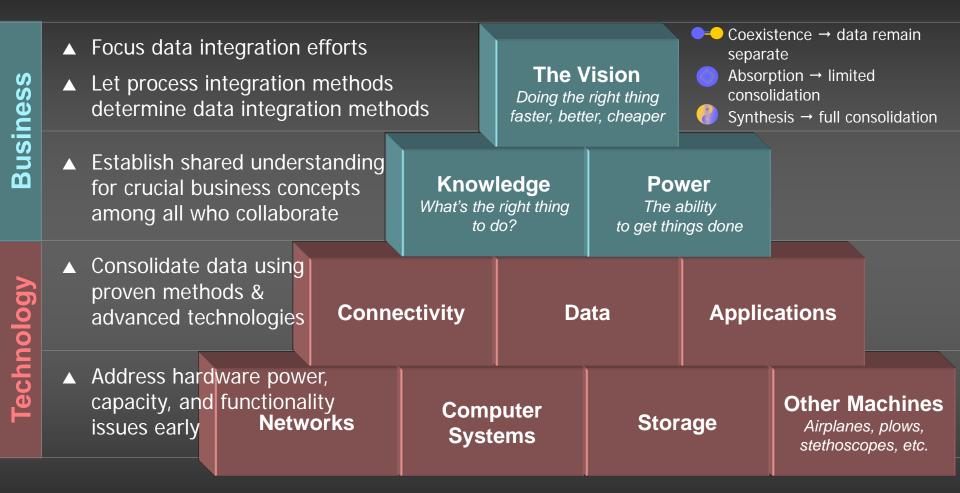


Key Success Factor: Implement Technology Integration from the Bottom Up



Data Integration: Key Success Factors

Key Success Factor: Plan Technology Integration from the Top Down



Key Success Factor: Implement Technology Integration from the Bottom Up



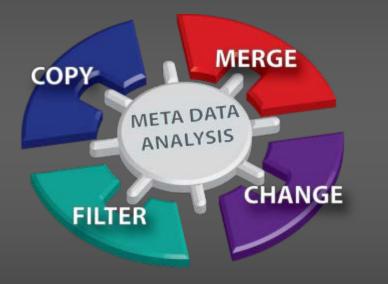
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Underlying technology that understands every relationship between each piece of data in the E-Business Suite database, allowing eprentise to maintain 100% data integrity.

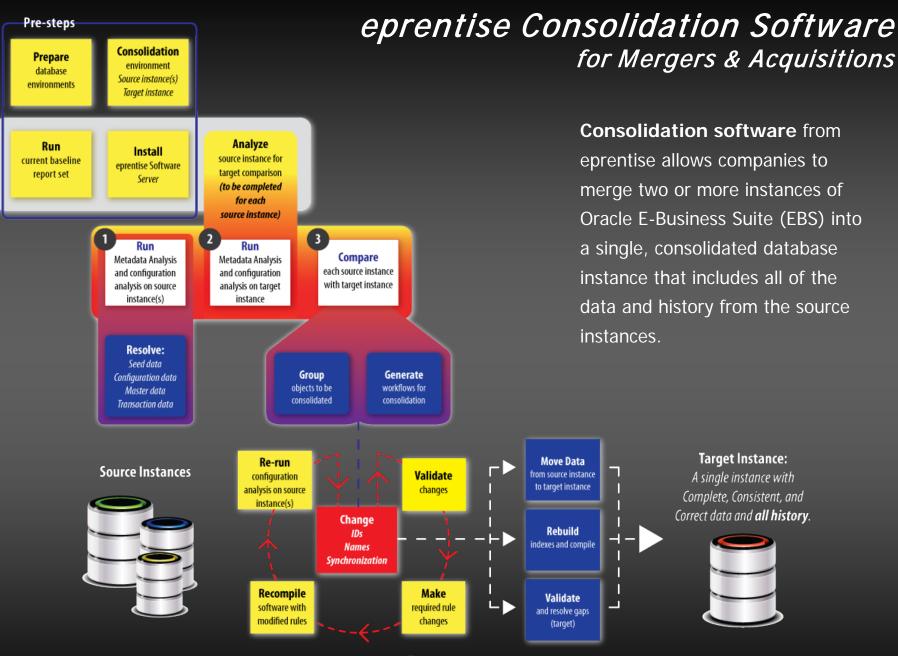


Metadata Analysis

- Core of the eprentise software suite
- Identifies, documents, and validates internal data structures and data content of both source and target databases
- Allows eprentise to copy, filter, change, and merge existing data according to built-in or user-defined business rules

eprentise Metadata Analysis and Knowledge Repository are intelligent, learning and building from each successive implementation.





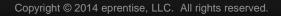


Sequence of Post-Merger Integration Steps

- 1. Align calendars and charts of accounts with acquiring company
- 2. Investigate statutory and regulatory requirements in all countries in which the combined entity will operate
- 3. Revalue assets and date placed in service
- 4. Align versions of Oracle E-Business Suite
- 5. Consolidate instances
- Reorganize within a single instance to align Sets of Books (or ledgers), Legal Entities, Operating Units, Inventory Organizations to standardize business processes and leverage synergies of both companies



Questions?





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