

Re: Loading Excel Data into PeopleSoft

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With regard to interfacing Excel with COBOL you can certainly do this. I have used Micro Focus Net Express (COBOL Compiler) with Excel.

With Net Express you can expose COBOL as a COM Object that can be called from VBA or you can use COM Automation to control Excel using COBOL as a client app. There is a sample with Net Express that shows using COBOL with Word and Excel apps.

A while ago I even wrote a COBOL Smarttag in COBOL so that you can integrate COBOL via the SmartTag interface into Excel.

Regards
David.

"Fredrik Wahlgren" wrote:

>
> <anonymous@discussions.microsoft.com> wrote in message
> news:174601c50ad2\$739f5940\$a401280a@phx.gbl...
>> *To upload the text file I run a batch process in
>> PeopleSoft. First I do a summary billing upload and then
>> I run a batch voucher request. Both of these functions
>> within PeopleSoft are customizations that my company
>> purchased. The batch process uses COBOL to move the text
>> file into PeopleSoft.*
>>
>> *Internet Explorer is just the web browser we use to get
>> into PeopleSoft. I'm not really sure if it was necessary
>> for me to include that in the original post.*
>> >-----Original Message-----
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>
> *This means you are indirectly using PeopleSoft to do the inserts. I have no
> experience with PeopleSoft. however, I have worked for a company that made
> finacial software as a Systems analyst. I know that we had to make extensive
> validation before inserting any values. Some of the data was inserted in 1
> table while other data went to 2 tables. Validation is *very* important. You*

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- > *should *not* try to insert the data in such a way that you bypass existing*
- > *code.*
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- > *Having said that, you may be able to call the Cobol code from excel. If this*
- > *is possible, I guess it wouldn't be very difficult to write a small macro*
- > *that exports your data to a file and then call the cobol code.*
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- > *I think that wat you are asking for is possiible, even easy, provided that*
- > *the Cobol code can be called from an external program other than PeopleSoft.*
- > *Don't limit yourself to VBA. Ask for sample code in any modern language such*
- > *as VB, C#, C or C++.*
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- > *Best Regards,*
- > *Fredrik*
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