ad billing

High Performance Account Receivable for Newspapers and Magazines

Pongrass Accounts Receivable system was designed specifically for newspapers and magazines. Transient ad billing, interface to circulation, production and editorial systems ensures accurate billing and comprehensive management reporting.

Relational Database

Finally, a billing system designed specifically for the needs of Newspapers and Magazines that fully supports relational database technology. With the release of Version 5, Pongrass now offers simplified database installation and maintenance, with minimal hardware requirements, full transaction processing and SQL capabilities. Pongrass Ad Billing is ideal for deployment in a small newspaper or magazine environment, growing to a larger system capable of handling an entire enterprise.

Database techniques allow the Accounts Receivable System to enforce business rules. SQL has enabled Pongrass programmers to eliminate redundant checks on data relationships and constraints within their application programming. The result is a powerful, secure and reliable database for your advertising accounts receivable system.

Modern Database Design

Pongrass has redesigned the underlying database of the accounts receivable system to take advantage of relational database technology. Modern database technology and large low cost disk drives means virtually unlimited history data.

No End-of-Period Resets

Up until now, all accounting systems imposed end of period resets for database reorganisation and compaction. Typical was the end-of-month process for deleting non-current transactions, aging debtors, updating expired debtors, etc. With Version 5 of the Pongrass Billing system, relational techniques allow us to eliminate the notorious end-of-period reset.

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Requirements

Server

Windows 2000 or 2003
Sybase ASA or Microsoft SQL
Server.

Client

— Windows 2000, XP Workstation.

— 256Mb free RAM

— 2Gb Free Hard Disk

Features

- Robust Relational Database design.
- Management reports designed for publishing industry.
- Unlimited history data.
- No end-of-period reset.
- Fully integrated with Pongrass database applications.
- Credit Card support

Comprehensive Reporting

Pongrass Accounts Receivable includes a module for updating accumulators and creating statistical tables for reporting. Standard reports tools such as Crystal are fully supported.

Sales Tracking

Comprehensive sales tracking is available with the Pongrass-defined and user-defined fields held in the database. Sales tracking is performed by customer, sales person/operator, category, ad type, pay type, classification, edition, contract, etc as well as user definable criteria.

Contract Tracking

Contracts can be defined individually or by level. Contracts are set on the Accounts Receivable System and history and fulfilment can be tracked using standard reports or custom reports generated by user.

Classified Ad Billing

Ads held in the database are separated into transient and account categories. Transient ads automatically generate transient customer records in the customer database.

Multiple ads for a transient customer will consolidate, and accounts for this transient customer are printed on a single invoice. Transient customer retention cycle can be user-specified and of course, customer records can be held indefinitely.

Payment processing is handled as either open item or balance forward. This can be specified on a customer by customer basis or selectable at each transaction.

Invoice/statement can be issued at any time.

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