

**National Electronic Commerce Coordinating Council Survey
Purchasing Electronic Commerce Systems - Vendor Survey**

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Name(s) of Product(s) and Modules	Functions Performed		Cost
	Purchasing, Consumables, etc	Platform Used	
<i>The P-Card Solution</i>	<i>Automated all internal aspects related to purchasing cards</i>	<i>Oracle, MS SQL Server, Sybase, DB2 Universal Server, Informix</i>	<i>\$15,000 - \$50,000</i>

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System architecture - i.e. Mainframe, Client Server , Web

Client/Server (can import from/export to main frame financial systems)

Operating system(s) - i.e. PC, LAN, WAN, DOS, Windows, NT, 95, 98, Macintosh

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Hardware requirements

- Processor, 386, 486, Pentium, Pentium II, Pentium III
- RAM
- Harddrive

Client Machine: 386 or above; 24 megRAM, 10 MB Hard Disk Space

Type of application Single user, LAN, WAN, Enterprise

Enterprise Client/server (via LAN or WAN)

Client server? Explain

Yes, Software written in "omnis" language – A true client/server language that "speaks" to both PC's & Macs

Type of client(s) and how updated - Thin, Full, etc.

Thin clients (.lbr file) – updated by customer in variety of ways (typically each customer already has a means of updating C/S apps. – they use that procedure for our software as well.

Networking and versions required and supported - i.e. Banyan, Novelle, NT, etc.

Up to Customer

Programming language(s) from which the application was created - Powerbuilder, C++, HTML, other web programs

OMNIS (not too common in U.S., very popular in Europe & Australia; One language speaks to both PC's & Macs)

Computer platform used - Mainframe, AS 400, Sun, Client server

Client/server

Accounting systems integration and method of integration

We write completely customized mapping between the P-Card Solution (as modified for each customer) and customer's financial system.

Is the system capable of long accounting streams, what is the number of characters available for the accounting stream?

Absolutely. We map directly to customer's accounting structure – We don't make customer fit their acct. code structure to us!

Other known third party interfaces- SAP, People soft, mechanical maintenance systems, consumable supplies systems, menu planning systems, etc

SAP, People Soft, numerous others! Any system that can export & import ASCII files we can successfully integrate with.

Data warehousing - Does the application utilize a data warehouse? What database programs and versions support the database? i.e. Oracle, Sybase, etc.

We use customer's preferred database

Reporting - Does the application have a report generation system? Can other report programs easily use data from the application. i.e. Crystal reports, etc.

Yes, we have numerous ad hoc reports available. Yes, other report programs can be used if desired.

Contract catalogues - Does the application(s) support internet catalogues? Briefly explain.

No. We do however, support loading a supplier's catalog into the P-Card Solution tables.

Maintain internet catalogues - Strategy for maintaining internet catalogues. Contractor maintained catalogue, business maintained catalogue, etc.

No

Internet sites - Provide an example of internet site(s) which have internet catalogues. Provide a name of a contact person and telephone number which might be published. N/A

Annual maintenance costs - What are the annual application maintenance costs and what do they include?

15% of the initial License Fee (typically \$10,000 - \$30,000 + for license fee)

Help desk or vendor support - What are the vendor support days and hours? How are client calls first handled? i.e. real person answers, automated call system, etc

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Live person answers

Electronic signature capable - Is the program electronic signature capable? Explain

N/A

Purchasing Functions

N/A

Vendor management activities

☐ Yes ☐ No Vendors are automatically purged?

☐ Yes ☐ No Vendors are automatically selected, with policy priorities factored (minority and small business)

☐ Yes ☐ No Notice distribution of Invitation to bids and Requests for proposal via

☐ Yes ☐ No email

☐ Yes ☐ No FAX

☐ Yes ☐ No hard copy

☐ Yes ☐ No other. Explain

☐ Yes ☐ No On demand electronic distribution of ITBs and request for proposals

☐ Yes ☐ No FAX on demand system

☐ Yes ☐ No Internet download, explain

☐ Yes ☐ No No other - explain

☐ Yes ☐ No Vendor performance

☐ Yes ☐ No Vendor notes screen

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☐ Yes ☐ No Vendor notes and performance screens linked

Purchase Orders N/A

☐ Yes ☐ No Can forms be easily modified

- ☐ Yes ☐ No Do purchase orders look as they are printed?
- ☐ Yes ☐ No Can blanket purchase orders or contracts be used?
- ☐ Yes ☐ No Can contracts be searched for goods and services, how?
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Invitation to bids N/A

- ☐ Yes ☐ No Are Invitation to Bid templates available
- ☐ Yes ☐ No What standard PC Suites software can be used used? i.e. Microsoft Office, Groupwise, Lotus Suite
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- ☐ Yes ☐ No Ability to use standard terms and condition language
- ☐ Yes ☐ No Ability to choose standard language for each invitation to bid or RFP
- ☐ Yes ☐ No Ability to modify standard language for each invitation to bid or RFP
- ☐ Yes ☐ No Can the invitation to bid be downloaded from internet, How?
- ☐ Yes ☐ No Sealed bids - can the system handle sealed bids? Vendor provides electronically and sealed in a system until date and time for bid opening. Explain
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Purchase orders and contracts N/A

- ☐ Yes ☐ No Can appropriate Terms and conditions be copied to purchase orders and contracts, how?
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- ☐ Yes ☐ No Can Purchase orders and contracts be printed at remote locations? How?
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- ☐ Yes ☐ No Online requisitioning from agency customers, How?
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- ☐ Yes ☐ No Is System capable of electronic routing and approvals. Briefly explain.
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- ☐ Yes ☐ No Is system capable of workload assignment and status. Briefly explain.
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- ☐ Yes ☐ No Will system document purchasing process milestones or timelines? Briefly explain.
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☐ Yes ☐ No Will the system provide leadtime analysis

☐ Yes ☐ No Will the system record and prompt for pending actions?

☐ Yes ☐ No Does the system have commodity code capability? How does the keyword search work? What commodity codes are usually used?

☐ Yes ☐ No Does the program allow for forms to be downloaded? How?

☐ Yes ☐ No EDI Capable, explain

☐ Yes ☐ No Does the system support on-line receiving? Explain

☐ Yes ☐ No Does the system support two and three matches?

☐ Yes ☐ No Does the system provide integrated electronic commerce. explain.

☐ Yes ☐ No Does the system support delegated purchasing? Explain how it works.

☐ Yes ☐ No Does the system provide purchase history?

☐ Yes ☐ No Does the system provide a documented audit trail?

☐ Yes ☐ No Has the system been integrated with an asset management. An asset management system can be fixed assets or consummable supplies. Provide systems integrated with and explain.

☐ Yes ☐ No Can the system perform auto contract reprocurement based on par levels. Provide examples.

☐ Yes ☐ No Does the system provide and document a life cycle analysis function?

☐ Yes ☐ No Does the system provide for hazardous material marking

☐ Yes ☐ No Has the system been integrated with a barcoding system? How has it been integrated?

☐ Yes ☐ No Does the program have built in security features?

☐ Yes ☐ No Does the system have ability to archive information.

Funding strategies available - What kind of funding strategies are available. i.e. vendor pays fee, etc. Explain.

N/A

Other issues or future plans

The P-Card Solution resolves the problems encountered when using P-Cards. Can be used with MasterCard, VISA &/or American Express cards. Allows customer to: - send downloaded transactions (from card issuer/bank) to end users – cardholders, designated reconciler, auditor, supervisor, etc.

- **allows end user to input add'l information about each purchase; including assign it to multiple internal accounts that are VALIDATED AT TIME OF INPUT.**
- **And MUCH; MUCH MORE!**

Please, return the survey to the person on the accompanying letter by April 26, 1999