

# Reinventing the core, reframing the future

#### Oracle Book of Impact - RCPG vertical



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#### Preface

The retail sector, including CPG, is no stranger to disruption. In fact, the industry has thrived because of it. Now, however, brickand-mortar stores find themselves struggling against the whirlwind of change unleashed by social media, e-commerce, and Amazon Prime. Already contending with evolving consumer expectations and competition from online shopping and direct-to -consumer brands, shops and stores are also waking up to the growing awareness about climate change and the consumers' demands for eco-friendly products.

The odds are stacked against RCPG players, and the choices are stark. Innovate and experiment across touchpoints to stay in step with change or risk irrelevance. In the face of consumer shifts and digital disruption, the old ways of doing business have to be abandoned by the decision-makers.

We, at HCL, believe that ensuring business health into the digital future will require CPG and retail businesses to move away from siloed ways of working and toward a longer-term vision centered on the customer, the workforce, and the planet.

Some future-focused CPG and retail companies are already beginning to embrace connected ecosystems, predictive insights, and an adaptive workforce that has AI embedded as their neural wiring. The ability to feel the pulse of customer evolution, the connected ecosystem injects in businesses the ability to deliver superior, integrated operations capable of outpacing competition by turning the supply chain into the supply brain.

This booklet is a collection of our success stories - instances of collaboration with our clients. Here, we have assisted them in transforming their business models and helped them stay at the forefront of the ever-changing and demanding industry.

## PeopleSoft

**Popular American Retailer** 

# About the client

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A leading US specialty retail giant with stores across North America, Europe, Asia and the Middle East.



# Business challenges

The client realized it was keen on transforming its business to reflect the digital era, but realized there were hurdles to implement it. Apart from the system approaching the end of support from Oracle in early 2018, the challenges included:



# Solution highlights

HCL's expert team approached the multi-pronged challenges head-on, with a focus on making the client systems future-ready while ensuring greater efficiencies and eliminating the chances of errors creeping in. The roadmap included:



Upgrading

PeopleSoft HCM

to 9.2. the latest

Oracle support

release, allowing

the client to use

features such as

Elastic Search,

Fluid UI, dashboards, and pivot grids

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Dropping obsolete customizations



Upgrading complex time and labor rules; phasing out time admin core processes

Deploying PeopleSoft Update Manager (PUM) to make the most of Oracle support maintenance packs



Introducing multiple regression testing cycles to ensure 100% data accuracy after upgrade

Benefits **to** the customer

The upgrade to HCM 9.2 ensured Oracle support until 2030



Greater efficiencies in time and effort on account of PUM implementation, which leveraged selective adoption

Enhanced savings brought in by the phase-out of obsolete customizations Increased productivity and ease of access enabled by HCM 9.2 features such as fluid UI and pivot grids

Reduction in costs on account of introducing an onsite-offshore model

#### **E-Business Suite** Top International Conglomerate

# About the client

International provider of diversified consumer packaging, industrial products, protective packaging, and packaging supply chain services. The client is also the world's largest producer of composite cans, tubes, and cores.



## Business challenges

Plagued by issues brought in by diversity in geographies and disparities in IT architecture, the client was looking for ways to reduce costs, increase efficiencies, introduce automation and glean insights that could help in decision-making. The client's challenges included:



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Delays in reporting triggered by disparate systems in different countries



Inability to achieve global customer consolidation of sales, quantity, and revenue



Inordinate manual interventions during period closures



Incremental deployment costs across various divisions globally



Lack of real-time, good data on account of the existence of multiple master sources, which adversely affected analysis and reduced efficiency



Short order-to-ship cycles, dynamic scheduling to manage order fluctuations and the need need to quantify the cost, margin at job, product and customer level



Huge Inter-company transactions, hampering closures because of the high volumes of reconciliation issues they generated

# Solution highlights

With a focus on introducing and enhancing automation, increasing efficiencies and productivity, and enabling richer data insights, HCL began its engagement with the client in 2012, coming up with a solution that included:





### Benefits to the customer



Fast-track rollout approach, which exceeded expectations by delivering in 3 months instead of 5 months

Savings of 840 person-hours per year by using Express Scheduler for optimal shop-floor scheduler efforts. This is targeted for more than 200 plants

Automation of DB cloning enabled reduction of time from 7 days to 1 day. Other proactive alerts and automation touch points resulted in 70+ automatic alerts and 20+ automation use cases

Swift reconciliation and faster period closing via GIS

22% reduction in shipping issues by eliminating customizations on ATO reservations

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