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From here to EAI

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Objectives

- BNSF Railways real life experience of revamping core application environment
- How we reviewed our future need for business and application integration.
- What processes we went through in choosing a product vendor and how we will be implementing these products in the near future



From here to EAI

- What is EAI
 - Enterprise Application Integration
 - Enables data propagation and business process integration across application such as taking an order, generating an invoice, and shipping a product





➤ Objective

- Business Drivers
- Proof Of Concept (POC) Evaluation Process
- Where are we today





- Objective

- ▶ Evaluate and select a B2B/EAI product that would best fit BNSF's enterprise needs.





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■ Business Drivers

➤ Strategic

- Define and deploy a scalable enterprise integration framework which will enable applications to rapidly plug-in to the information bus.
- Implement a common enterprise integration toolset (Model, Integrate and Deploy) which enables improved productivity across the enterprise
- Enable real time business process monitoring across applications





- Business Drivers (continued)

- Tactical

- Providing real-time synchronization of prices and freight rate verification with customers
 - Flexible and versatile solution which will enable customers to do real time transactions
 - Ease of use (e.g. the ability for a business analyst to map documents from any format to any format)





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- Total evaluation effort was approximately 6 months and comprised of:
 - Product requirements gathering



- RFI questionnaire that initiated the evaluation process consisted of 7 major categories, 31 sub categories and over 212 questions
- 18 major technical areas evaluated in the POC
- 120+ meetings conducted
- Over 70 people from 23 groups were involved





➤ **Technical areas analyzed**

- Evaluation approach
- Vendor demonstrations
- Scoring
- Results summary





- Technical areas analyzed
 - EDI Mapping
 - Price Sync scenarios
 - Siebel Integration
 - Price Synchronization flow
 - Dispute workflow
 - Publish / Subscribe functionality
 - Document Handling
 - Wireless messaging capabilities

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■ Technical areas analyzed

- Alert notifications
- Teradata Integration
- Integration with Websphere Application Server (WAS)
- Trading Partner Management
- Transaction Monitoring and Reprocessing
- Error Handling
- Migration and Deployment
- Installation/Setup
- Multi-user Development
- Web Service Capabilities
- Security





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- Evaluation approach
 - Prepared the POC Requirement Specifications
 - Worked with the vendors in preparing the POC schedule and hardware/software requirements
 - Prepared a total of 150 test cases based on the POC specs and inputs from the subject experts
 - Reviewed the test cases with the vendors and the subject experts, while assigning the importance levels (Weights) to each of the test cases
 - Test cases demonstrated by the vendors and the results were reviewed with the subject experts
 - Scoring was done by the subject experts





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- Vendor demonstrations
 - Organization of the Demos
 - Time frames
 - Ensure completeness of results
 - Q & A



Vendor demonstrations

- Demo 1
 - Demonstrate EDI mapping features in the product.
- Demo 2
 - Price Sync Scenarios
- Demo 3
 - Pub/Sub Scenarios

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Vendor demonstrations

■ Demo 4a

- Document Handling
- Wireless messaging capabilities
- Alert notifications
- Teradata Integration
- Integration with WAS
- Trading Partner Management
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Vendor demonstrations

- Demo 4b
 - Error Handling
 - Migration and Deployment
 - Installation/Setup
 - Multi-user Development
- Demo 4c
 - Web Service Capabilities
- Demo 4d
 - Security

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- Scoring
 - Scoring based on test cases
 - Subject experts score on individual items
 - Post scoring review



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- Finalize the product selection
 - POC Evaluation and scoring
 - Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) analysis
 - BNSF business and technology impacts
 - Considerations like vendor stability, longevity, strategic staying power in the B2B/EAI space, relationship compatibility, customer references etc.
- After the selection
 - Conduct “go-live” pilots consisting of B2B and EAI pieces
 - Formulate an Integration Competency Centre (ICC) which will charter, define and implement the integration requirements across the enterprise.





- Where are we today
 - Product deployment
 - Formulated an Integration Competency Centre which will charter, define and implement the integration requirements across the enterprise.
 - Service Oriented Architecture
 - Event Driven Architecture





- Product deployment
 - WBI Modeler
 - WBI Monitor
 - WBI Interchange Server
 - WBI Message Broker
 - WBI Workflow
 - WBI Connect
 - Data Handler for EDI



- Product deployment (cont)
 - Adapter Development Kit
 - Adapter for Framework
 - Adapter for EJB's
 - Adapter for Siebel
 - Adapter for Jtext
 - Adapter for JDBC
 - Adapter for Email
 - Adapter for MQ





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