Getting More Value From Miscellaneous Subledger Entries

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Editor's note: Roger Avrit continues to provide great "How come I didn't think of that?" tips to our audience. Read this carefully and you will be rewarded with a greater understanding of how to use subledgers in JDE®. This paper applies to both WorldSoftware™ and OneWorld®.

Introduction

JD Edwards® functionality allows use of subledger accounting for virtually any type of transaction. Unfortunately, the miscellaneous subledger types X, Y, and Z do not validate against a description table, so the functionality is limited. This paper describes a way to use a subledger type that will display a description for subledger transactions outside hard coded subsystem types.

Purpose

Finance and accounting often wish to track detailed transactions at the subledger level. JD Edwards offers functionality in the subledger type structure to use miscellaneous subledger types X, Y, and Z for transactions outside of various subsystems that are hard coded with specific subledger types. **Unfortunately, subledger types X, Y and Z are not validated against any system table which would allow the description of the subledger to be viewed on a query or a report.** The solution is to use one of the existing table validated subledger codes in order to attach a subledger description to a transaction.

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Introduction to Subledgers – Using Hard Coded Functionality

First, here are a few basic comments about subledger accounting for those who may not be familiar with it. Subledgers give us the ability to "slice and dice" the General Ledger in many different ways.   Consider these three examples:

- Depreciation Expense may be coded to the individual piece of equipment in the General Ledger with Subledger Type E.

- All expenses associated with a Work Order may be seen in the General Ledger by inquiring using Subledger Type W.

- Advanced Pricing may be set up to book Sales Commissions and Royalties to the General Ledger using the Address Book of the Salesperson or company due the Royalty payment as the subledger.

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