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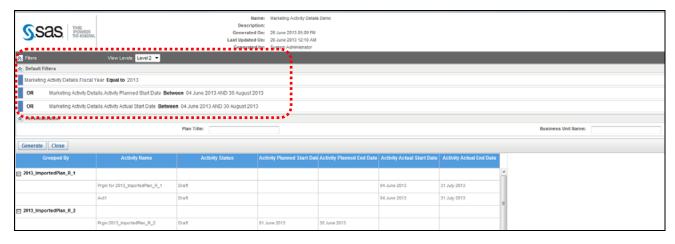
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1.1 Ad Hoc Reports

1.1.1 Show Default Filters in Ad Hoc Report Display

A user who creates ad hoc reports can define filters to customize the data included in the report. In R14 Update 2 the report viewing user experience is enhanced as the defined filters are displayed in a report preview and print view. This enables the users who generate the reports to view the filters used to limit the report data.



1.2 More Data Available for Ad Hoc Reporting

The Ad Hoc reporting tool pulls data from an Operational Data Store (ODS) that is specifically designed for ease of reporting. The ODS has been enhanced to include more information from the Marketing Operations Management database, and more data will be available in the ODS in the subsequent releases. The goal is to enable users to create valuable reports against the broad set of data available in the system. In R14 Update 2 the ODS has been enhanced by adding support for the following data:

1.2.1 Resource Details and Daily Hours Totals in Timesheet Reports

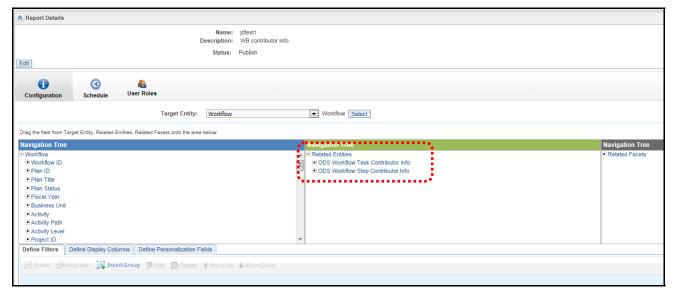
For users generating reports from the Timesheets, more information is now stored in the Operational Data Store for the Daily Timesheets.

The Timesheets entity in the Operational Data Store now includes Resource Details such as the Rate of the Resource, Country, Skill Level and whether the Resource is an External or Internal Resource.

Daily Total in number of hours entered by a Resource in the timesheet has been added to the Timesheet Entity in the Operational Data Store.

1.2.2 Contributor Information for Tasks Available for Workbench Reports

The WorkflowProcess (Marketing Workbench) entity in the Operational Data Store previously included contributor names per Step for the Workflow Process only. In this release the names of the Contributors can be seen at the Task levels as well to allow ease of reporting at the Task level of the Workflow Projects.



1.3 Approvals and Marketing Workbench

1.3.1 Media Annotations Tool for Image Files

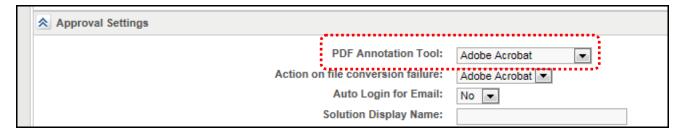
The approvals module allows the admin users to select the tool for annotating PDF files:

- 1. SAS MOM (native) Annotations
- 2. Adobe Acrobat (offline)
- 3. Adobe Acrobat WebDAV mode

Prior to R14 Update 2, the PDF annotation tool selection impacted the annotation capabilities for image files as well as PDF files. Specifically, the SAS MOM Media Annotations Tool could be used to annotate image files if the PDF Annotations Tool selection was set to 'SAS MOM Annotations'. If the PDF Annotation Tool option was set to 'Adobe Acrobat' or 'Adobe Acrobat WebDAV', image files could be downloaded using a desktop tool for viewing the files.

R14 Update 2 enhances the annotation capabilities for image files by using the SAS MOM Media Annotations Tool for image files independent of the PDF annotation tool setting. This results in the following annotation capabilities based on the PDF Annotation Tool setting:

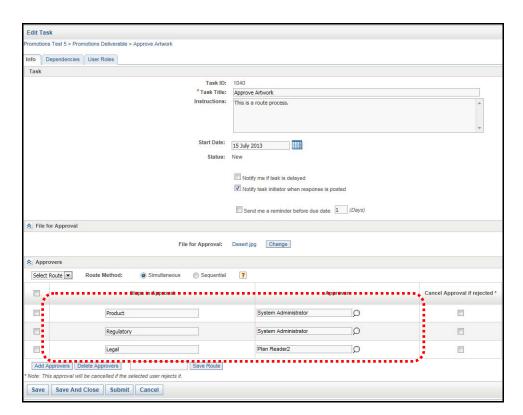
- If SAS MOM annotations tool is selected This tool will be used for annotating PDF and images. SAS MOM Video Annotations will be used for annotating video files.
- 2. If Adobe Acrobat (offline) is selected, then:
 - For PDF files Download and annotate using Adobe Acrobat or Reader.
 - For Image files Annotate using SAS MOM Media Annotations Tool.
 - For Video files Annotate using SAS MOM Video Annotations Tool.
- 3. If Adobe Acrobat WebDAV mode is selected, then:
 - For PDF files Annotate online using Adobe Acrobat in WebDAV mode.
 - For Image files Annotate using SAS MOM Media Annotations Tool.
 - For Video files Annotate using SAS MOM Video Annotations Tool.



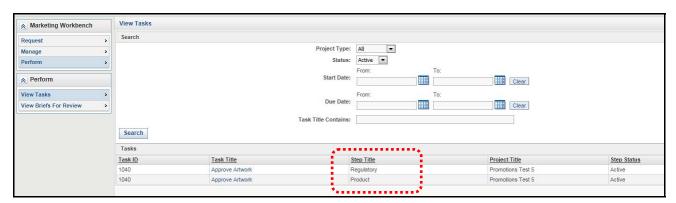
1.3.2 Same Approver in Multiple Steps in Simultaneous Route

Approval jobs or tasks can be routed to a group of approvers using either a simultaneous (all approvers can review at any time) or sequential (approvers must review in a defined sequence) method. Due to regulatory considerations, sometimes the same individual needs to be explicitly listed as an approver in multiple steps in either routing methods. For example, an individual can have multiple roles in the review and approval process.

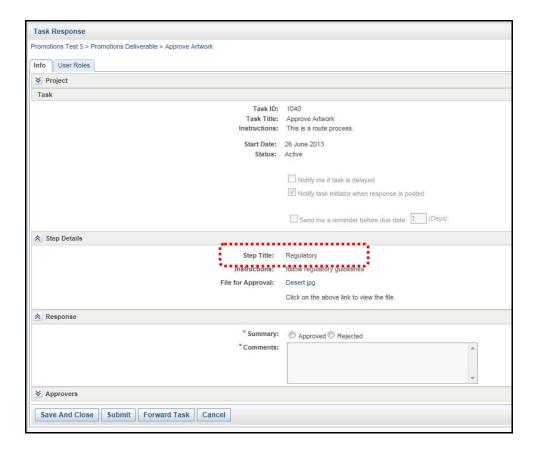
Prior to R14 Update 2, an approver could be listed in multiple steps only in a sequential route. R14 Update 2 enhances the capabilities for simultaneous reviews by allowing an approver to be listed in multiple steps in an approval job or task. 4 SAS® Marketing Operations Management: Features Document v.6.0 R14 Update 2



The step title is added to the task list to enable reviewers to differentiate between reviews for different steps within the same task.



The step title is added on the Task Response screen to allow the reviewer to identify the step in context of the response.

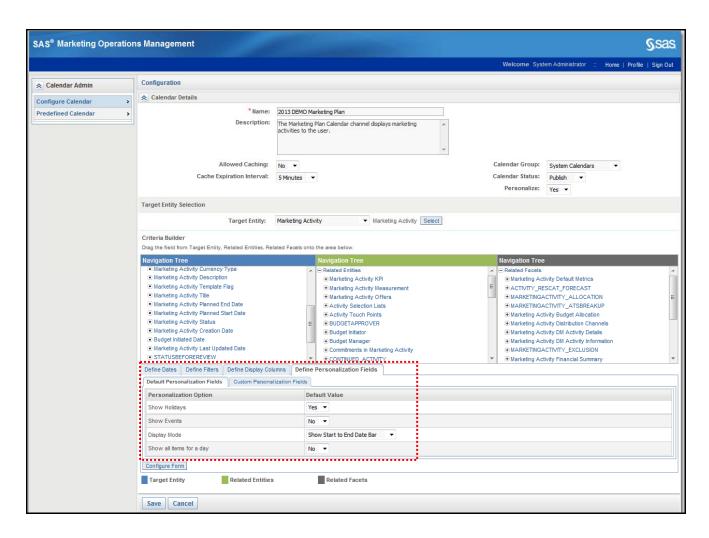


1.4 Calendars - Personalized Views

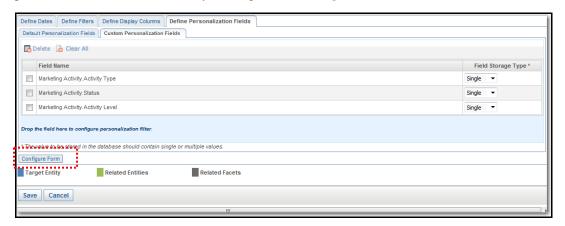
R14 Update 2 provides several enhancements to the existing Calendars. Multiple personalized views of the calendar can be created by a user who views the Calendars. The user can also switch between configured dates on the same View.

As an Administrator of Calendars:

Use Calendar Admin to set up a Calendar with several default personalization settings for display.



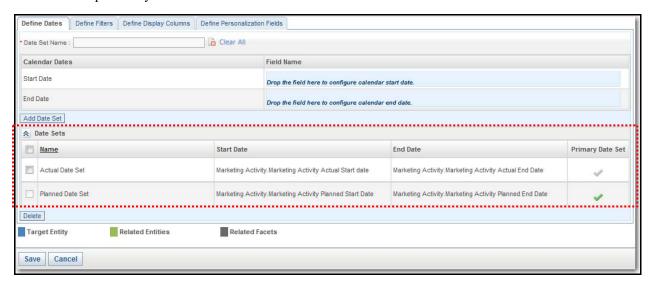
Drag and drop the fields the end users can use for personalizing the Calendar and creating various Views. Define the position of the filters on the form by clicking on the 'Configure Form' button.



The default fields along with the fields selected for personalization are automatically added on the form. Arrange them as required and Save.

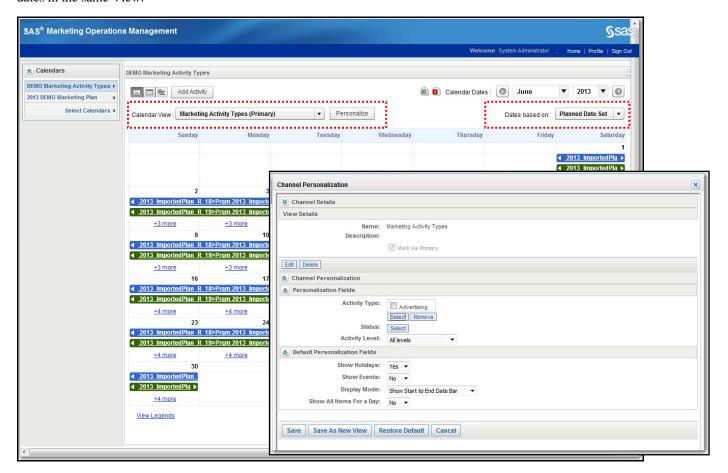


Multiple Date Sets between which the calendar can switch, can be added. Mark one of them as Primary to allow the Calendar to be painted by default on that Date set.



As a User of Calendars:

A personalized view of a Calendar that is setup by the Administrator of the system can be created by a user. For example, a Marketing Activities Calendar can be setup by the Administrator, an end user can personalize it with specific Activity types such as "Advertising" and save this View with a name. The user can also switch between the Planned and Actual dates in the same View.



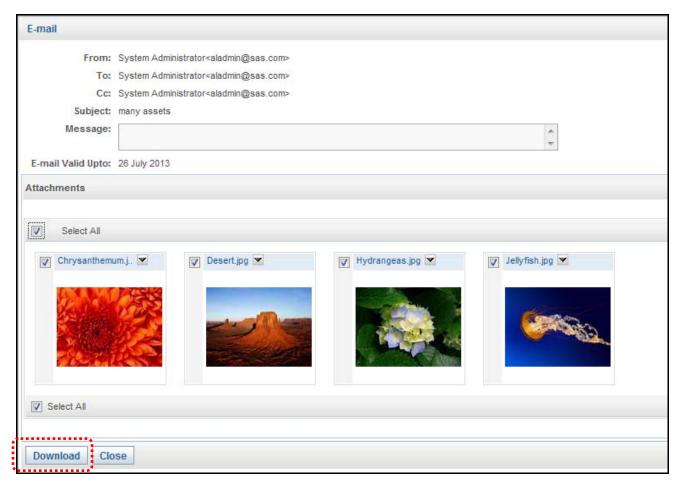
A quick lesson on Views:

- 1. Enter your personalized filter values, set default personalization settings that drive the display and save the Calendar as a New View with a specific name.
- 2. Create several Views with different combinations of filters and switch between these views easily.
- 3. Switch between configured date sets in the same View. See your Activities on a Calendar based on Planned Dates and then see the Actual dates for the same set of Activities.
- 4. Mark a View as a 'Primary View' that pegs it to the top of your Views list allowing you to go back to it easily
- 5. Quickly go to the last modified view in the View list identified with a suffix.
- 6. Find other Views easily as they are sorted alphabetically based on View Name.
- 7. Click the '**Restore Default**' button, to clear all settings on a particular View and restore it back to what the Admin configured.

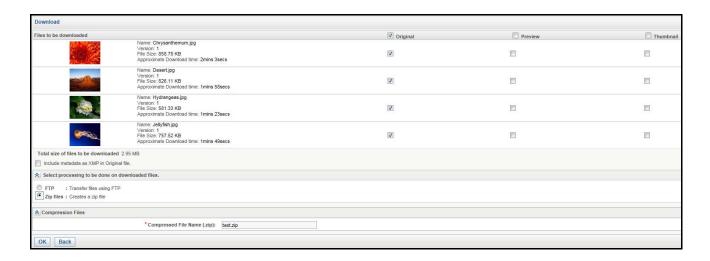
1.5 Digital Asset Management

1.5.1 Batch Download of Assets from E-mail

The Digital Library (DAM) module enables the user to send assets to other individuals via e-mail. To enable e-mail recipients to more efficiently download multiple assets, the DAM e-mail functionality now allows a recipient to batch download multiple assets from a single e-mail. Assuming that e-mail recipients have been granted the ability to download assets; they can select multiple assets from the e-mail page (accessed via the link in the e-mail) and click the 'Download' button.

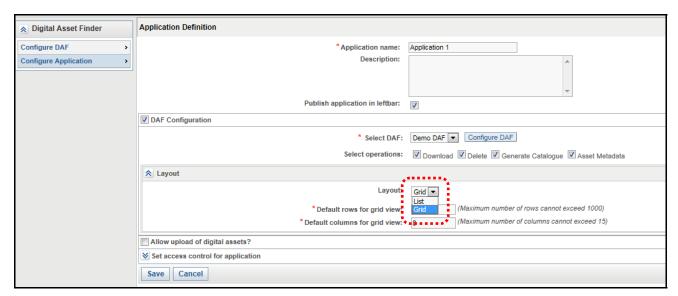


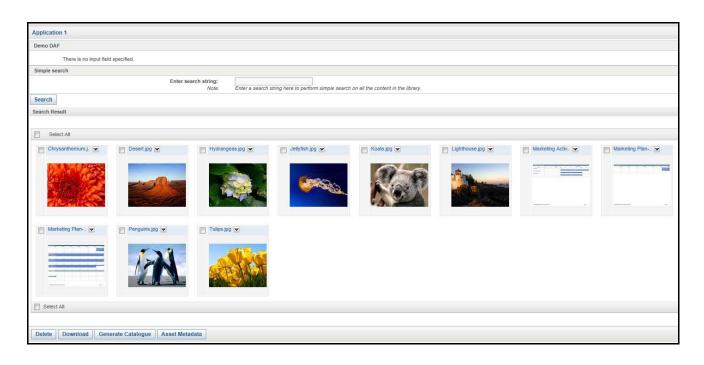
Recipients of the e-mail then have the option to either transfer the selected files to a specified destination via FTP or create a ZIP file to download.



1.5.2 Grid View for Digital Asset Finder

The Digital Asset Finder (DAF) functionality enables admin users to create preconfigured queries to allow end users to easily search the digital library. R14 Update 2 enhances the DAF functionality by allowing admin users to configure DAF search results (Digital Assets) to be displayed in either a list or grid view. The grid view displays asset lists in a compressed format that enables easier processing of large result sets if the asset name and thumbnail are sufficient to differentiate results.





1.6 Internationalization – User Name Formatting

An Administrator user can now define the format for displaying User Names throughout the application. Here is an example in the application where the configured User Name format is displayed:

• Logged in User Name on Top Bar of the application

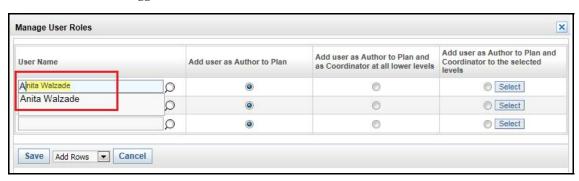


An Administrator user in the system can configure the format of the User Name display from the following screen: Administrator >>Settings>>Language Specific Settings. The Format can be configured for the system per language. There are 10 default format types supported by the system seen in the drop down list below.

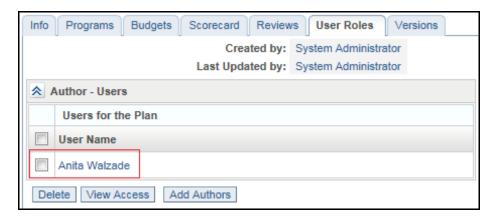


Here are some sample areas of the application where the configured User Name format is displayed:

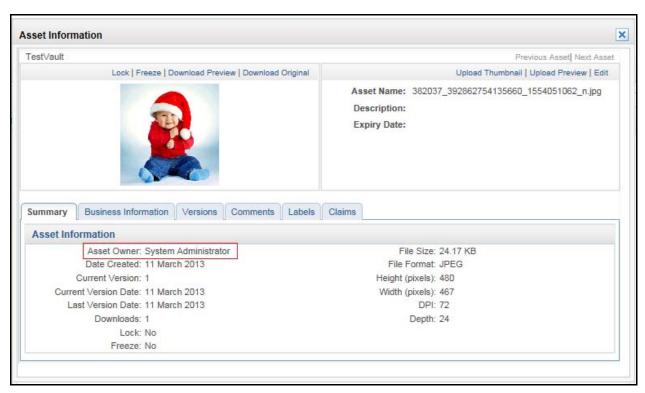
• User Name Suggestion - Selection control



• User Roles Tab



DAM Asset Information screen



Other areas of display

The formatting of user name display includes all modules such as Site Builder, Reports, Change Management, Version screens, Job status screens and other places where a user name is displayed.

Some Exceptions to this display - where the User Name will not be displayed as per the configured format:

- Report Scheduler and other areas where the User E-mail IDs are being displayed. The format of user name display in such cases with remain <First Name> <Middle Name> <Last Name> <Email ID>
- Vendor Resource name and Resource Management resources these are displayed as configured while creating the resource
- Version Comments and Audit log reports where user name is displayed as a part of the change string logged in to the database
- Approvals job step title that shows the user, contributor or approver's name
- Some notification messages where User Name and Login Name is displayed in the message

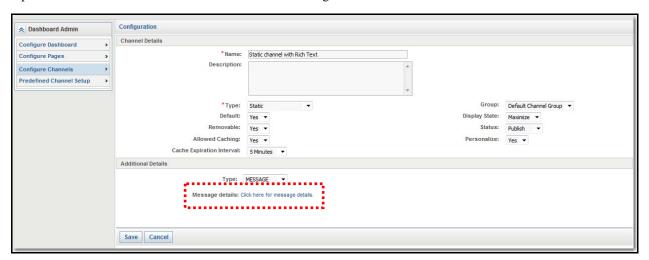
o Where the words "System Administrator" is displayed as a role rather than a User Name.

1.7 New Rich Text Editor

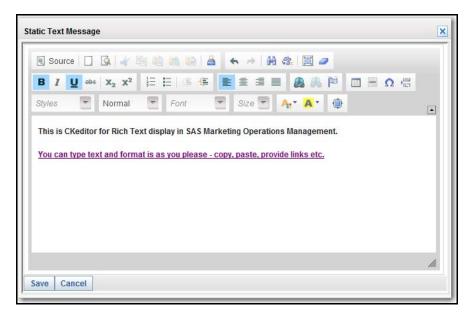
The Rich Text Editor used in SAS Marketing Operations Management has been changed to **CKEditor version 3.6.4**. The Rich Text Editor appears in various places in Marketing Operations Management. Here are some application areas:

- 1. Form fields where the User Interface displays Rich Text
- 2. Static Channels in Dashboards
- 3. Sites in Site Builder
- 4. Claim e-mails in Claims Management
- 5. Editing Text Elements in Artwork Producer
- 6. Editing Text elements and Variable lists in the SAS Digital Marketing integration

A sample use of Rich Text Editor in Dashboard Channel Configuration:



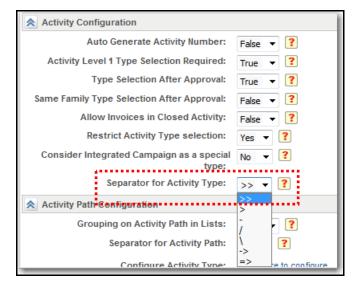
The new CKEditor interface:



1.8 Strategic Planner

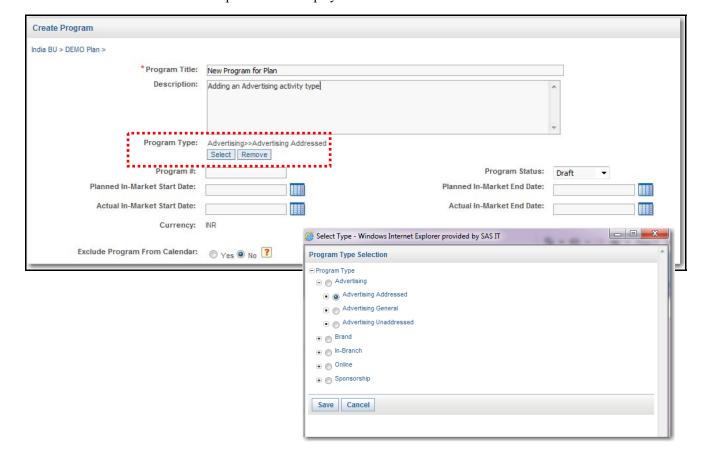
1.8.1 Configurable Activity Type Separator

In Strategic Planner, various activity types can be configured in the system. While creating a program or activity the activity type can be selected from the configured list of types in the system. The types can be configured in multiple levels. For example: Advertising at the root level and its sub types. The separator shown between the root type and sub-type can now be configured in the system in the Strategic Admin settings > Activity configuration section as follows:



It then reflects on the screens in Strategic Planner as follows:

Please note that there are certain exceptions to this display in solutions such as Dashboard and Calendars.



1.9 Performance Enhancements

SAS Performance Engineers regularly test the SAS Marketing Operations Management product to analyze application performance in specific scenarios. The results often lead to further optimizations to continue to improve standard interaction response times throughout the application. R14 Update 2 includes several performance-related enhancements based on these testing efforts. Below are some examples of performance improvements for specific interactions.

Please note that metrics are from tests conducted in a test lab environment with a specific data configuration, so results can vary in different environments with different data profiles, user loads, and so on.

- 1. Marketing Workbench
 - a. Delete Projects Test result 6 minutes reduced to 1.2 minutes
 - b. Create Deliverable Test result 25 seconds reduced to 17 seconds
 - c. Delete Deliverable Test result Delete of 4 deliverables 5 minutes reduced to 1.2 minutes
- 2. Handling large volume Data Import from excel files
 - a. Import of Annual Plans in Strategic Planner Volume Tested with 257 Plans and 15000+ Marketing Activities where earlier only 1000+ Activities could be imported successfully
 - b. Import of Offers in Offer Management Volume tested with 10000+ Offers where earlier only 1000+ Offers could be imported successfully
- 3. Large volume Data export from ad hoc reports Tested with 50000 records Exported in 40-50 seconds where large volume Data exports resulted in Timeouts earlier.
- 4. Improved and faster processing for large XML files. The processing time for a 40 KB XML, with 2,500 operations reduced from 1min 25 seconds to 25 seconds. An XML of this size is generated during the operations such as Create Deliverable.