

Title Management System (TMS) - Streamlining Title Release Process Integration

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Abstract

This document outlines the integration of the Title Release Process from Oracle System workflows to the Title Management System (TMS) at the Client System. The primary objective of this integration is to streamline and automate title release operations, enhancing efficiency, accuracy, and transparency across systems.

The integration enables seamless data flow between Oracle's financial and operational workflows and TMS, ensuring timely processing and release of vehicle titles. Key functionalities include the synchronization of title requests, validation of financial transactions, and real-time updates on title status. By automating manual touchpoints, the integration eliminates redundancies, reduces errors, and accelerates processing times for title releases.

The process leverages middleware services for secure and efficient data exchange, ensuring compliance with the Client System's business rules and regulatory standards. Integration points include APIs for Oracle workflows, title validation logic, and the TMS interface for tracking and management.

This initiative not only improves operational efficiency but also enhances customer satisfaction by providing faster turnaround times for title processing. Future scalability considerations are addressed to accommodate evolving business needs and system upgrades.

In addition, the solution introduces flexible Title Delivery Methods to meet diverse business requirements. These include:

- **Pickup: Titles can be made available for direct pickup.**
- **FedEx Delivery: Secure title delivery via FedEx for quick and reliable shipping.**
- **Shipping to Floorplan Company Address: Titles can be sent directly to the designated floorplan company address to streamline operations for financial partners.**

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1. Introduction

The title release process is central to the Client System’s financial operations, as it directly impacts vehicle title management for dealerships and financial institutions. Traditional manual processes were prone to delays, redundancies, and errors, hindering business efficiency. This integration between Oracle System workflows and TMS aimed to automate, streamline, and accelerate title release processes, addressing these challenges.

As the QA Lead, my role encompassed the validation of functional requirements, performance, and end-to-end data integrity across systems to ensure the integration met business expectations and customer demands. This paper shares the QA approach, challenges, and outcomes in the implementation lifecycle.



ACCESS to titles
at any time through our
Title Release Program



STORAGE in our Title
Vault, ensuring all titles
are kept safe and secure











ON-DEMAND color
copies of received titles



FREE FedEx waybills
within Account Portal
for overnight shipping

Up-to-date title information available inside **Account Portal** includes:

 Due Dates	 Title Releases Available
 Tracking Information	 Days The Vehicle Has Been Floored
 Title Location	 Payoff Amount
 Title Status	 Titles Outstanding

2. The Integration Scope and Features

The integration involved enabling secure and automated communication between Oracle workflows and TMS, covering the following key functionalities:

- **Title Synchronization:** Automated retrieval and processing of title requests.
- **Financial Validation:** Ensuring transactions, payments, and approvals in Oracle workflows trigger title release processes in TMS.
- **Real-time Status Updates:** Immediate updates on the title status for accurate tracking and management.
- **Flexible Title Delivery Methods:**
 - **Pickup:** Titles are available for direct customer pickup.
 - **FedEx Delivery:** Titles are shipped securely and reliably via FedEx.
 - **Shipping to Floorplan Company Address:** Titles are automatically sent to designated floorplan company addresses, streamlining partner operations.

3. QA Strategy and Approach

As part of the QA validation process, the following steps were undertaken:

- **Test Strategy Development:** A comprehensive test strategy was designed to address functional, integration, and regression testing, ensuring full coverage of Oracle-to-TMS workflows.
- **End-to-End Workflow Testing:** Test cases validated the correct flow of data, from Oracle transactions to TMS updates, ensuring accuracy and seamless processing.
- **Delivery Method Testing:** Specific test scenarios were created for title delivery options: pickup, FedEx delivery, and floorplan address shipping. These ensured that correct titles were delivered to the intended recipients.
- **Performance and Scalability Testing:** Stress and load testing ensured that the integration handled peak transaction volumes without delays or system degradation.
- **Defect Tracking and Resolution:** Issues were documented in JIRA, prioritized, and addressed through close collaboration with developers and business analysts.

4. Challenges and Solutions

During the testing phase, several challenges were encountered:

- **Data Synchronization Delays:** Initial delays in API data synchronization between Oracle and TMS were identified. The resolution involved optimizing middleware performance and refining API response times.
- **Delivery Method Validation:** Verifying FedEx and shipping integrations required close coordination with third-party systems and robust test environments to mimic real-world scenarios.
- **Regression Testing Complexity:** The need for regression testing across multiple workflows necessitated the creation of automated scripts, reducing manual effort and increasing test efficiency.

5. Results and Outcomes

The QA process ensured the successful deployment of the integrated solution. Key results include:

- **Improved Efficiency:** Title processing times reduced significantly due to automation and real-time updates.
- **Accuracy:** Eliminated manual errors in title release workflows and delivery processes.
- **Enhanced Customer Satisfaction:** Flexible delivery options such as pickup, FedEx, and shipping to floorplan addresses provided convenience and improved turnaround times.
- **Scalable Integration:** The solution was validated to handle future increases in transaction volumes without performance degradation.

6. Conclusion

The integration of Oracle System workflows with the Title Management System has transformed Client System's title release process by introducing automation, accuracy, and flexibility. From a QA perspective, a robust testing strategy, meticulous validation of workflows, and collaboration with stakeholders were instrumental in delivering a seamless solution.

By ensuring end-to-end quality and addressing key challenges, the QA team contributed to a system that meets business needs while providing an enhanced experience for users and partners. This integration sets a foundation for scalable and efficient operations in title management.

7. Future Enhancements

The QA team recommends further enhancements, including:

- **Enhanced Automation Framework:** Expanding automated testing scripts to include additional edge cases and failure scenarios.
- **Analytics and Reporting:** Incorporating dashboards for tracking title delivery performance and system efficiency.
- **AI-Powered Validation:** Leveraging AI to predict and prevent errors in title release workflows.

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