

## System Release Note: Version 3.1

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## Introduction

This document details the changes introduced to the Escendency System as a result of the release of version 3.1 of the system software.

Details are split into four sections:

- New functionality, which details new features that have been added. A fuller description is included in the version 3.1 Administrator's or User's Guide as appropriate. It is worth noting that version 3.1 was intended as a 'look and feel' release, with its main purpose being to improve existing functionality, not to add new functionality.
- Modifications to existing functionality, which describes functional changes to previous versions of the system
- Support issues addressed, which pre-existing bugs and anomalies have been resolved in this release
- Known Issues and Omissions, any bugs or anomalies which have been discovered between the final release candidate build and the issuing of this release note, that are not of a sufficient severity to warrant delaying the current release

For reference purposes, the Escendency issue/reference number is included alongside each description along with a customer support ticket reference where relevant.

## New Functionality

- Group Report export to Excel: It is now possible to have data from a group report sent directly to an Excel worksheet, which offers more control over printing, formatting and sorting than the standard group report. To do this, simply click on the Excel icon, which appears next to each reporting group on a user's reports tab.

N.B. This feature requires Microsoft Excel to be installed to work.

## Modifications To Existing Functionality

- (163) Action Plan quick report: On the Action Plans tab, a new flag icon appears next to each plan owned or created by the current user. Clicking on this flag will open the relevant action plan report, rather than going to the edit screen (which is done by clicking on the plan name).
- (13) View action plan from task screen: When a user is in the action plan task page (whether for acceptance, completion or approval), clicking a new link at the top of the page will present a report of the appropriate action plan.
- (167) Action Planning: Description field has been lengthened.
- (177) Strategy Map: Left clicking on a strategy map item now opens the item in edit mode rather than view mode. It is no longer necessary to use the right-click menu to edit the strategy map item.
- (178) Equation Builder measurement activity: It is now possible to select whether equation measurements are active for measurement. NB: An equation can be set up which uses inactive measurements. Any PIs that use such an equation will never be calculated, as the necessary measurement data will never have been entered.
- (174) Equation Builder: Equations now list alphabetically by title, rather than by date created.
- Equation Builder: The overnight equation calculation engine has been modified to handle division by zero conditions and to provide more comprehensive status

reporting. NB: These modifications are not apparent to system users, but will enable more effective calculation and support.

- Group Report: Additional fields have been added to group reports, including a display of quarterly performance.

## **Support Issues Addressed**

- (22) Improved handling of different screen resolutions: Certain screens, such as measurement entry and action plan tasks did not make efficient use of available screen space at higher resolutions. This has been improved. In addition, certain, less common screen resolutions did not display the control panel correctly. The range of resolutions supported has been improved.
- (142) Equation Builder: Equation description field is no longer editable.
- (169) Equation Builder: Under some circumstances, measurements were not assigned a next measurement due date. This would lead to malfunctions on the responsible post holder's control panel. This error has been resolved.
- (173) PI duplication: In version 3.0, the 'save new' feature for PI's did not copy perspectives to the new indicator. This has now been resolved.

## **Known Issues And Omissions**

- (194) Measurement Entry: For date-based measurements, the date picker control is malfunctioning. The reason for this is unclear, but may be due to an operating system update. As a workaround, it is now possible to enter a date into the measurement field directly; this must be in the format DD-MMM-YYYY. A system wide replacement for the date picker control is being investigated.