

Updating and Porting ReportView for Business Objects



Challenge

Business Objects decided to update one of its sample report applications to the latest version of its leading business intelligence software. In addition, it needed the work completed within six weeks to meet an internal target, while ensuring best development practices to maintain the high quality standards of its software.

Solution

Orbital Technologies was secured by Business Objects to assist with additional functionality to the report tool and to port the updated J2EE application to .NET. Orbital was selected because of its reputation for delivering quality software in accordance with client timeframes and objectives.

Results

Orbital delivered the application on schedule with all of Business Objects' specified functionality. Testing at Business Objects confirmed that the product was high quality and robust.

"The technical and management people at Orbital Technologies delivered a high quality solution on time and on budget. They are easy to work with and consistently kept Business Objects informed of the project status. Orbital shows a great commitment to customer satisfaction and it is a pleasure to work with them."

-Senior Program Manager, Business Objects

Business Objects is a leading provider of business intelligence (BI) solutions with over 30,000 customers globally, and serving over 80 percent of the Fortune 500. When Business Objects decided to update one of its reporting tools within the current version of its product, Business Objects selected Orbital.

Business Objects provides world-class BI solutions that allow organizations to gain better insight into their business, improve decision making and optimize enterprise performance. BusinessObjects™ XI, offers the most advanced and complete BI platform and BI tools for reporting, query and analysis, performance management, and data integration.

Business Objects contracted with Orbital to assist in updating one of its sample report applications to match the current product version, BusinessObjects XI. Business Objects planned to add Dynamic Cascading Prompting and to port the updated application from its existing J2EE to .NET.

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Business Objects planned to complete and test all work within six weeks in order to meet an internal target. Within this short timeframe, Orbital was tasked with incorporating the new functionality, updating the tool to the current version, porting the application to .NET, and creating an installer that would enable the new .NET version to work out of the box. This work needed to be completed to the high quality standards of other Business Objects software and adhere to .NET best practices.

Throughout the project, Orbital maintained close contact with the Business Objects team. Orbital provided regular project updates to ensure the highest level of compliance with Business Objects' specifications.

Orbital delivered the project on schedule, providing two versions of the updated report tool – a J2EE version and a .NET version – documented and with all specified functionality. Orbital also provided the install application for the new .NET version, enabling it to work out of the box.

The product that Orbital delivered to Business Objects was stable, robust and high quality.

Orbital delivered on its reputation for developing high quality software, on time and in accordance with client objectives. Business Objects received the updated tool in two versions, met its internal target, and was able to offer Dynamic Cascading Prompting and a .NET API to its clients.

About Orbital Technologies Inc.

Orbital Technologies Inc. (www.orbitaltech.com) is an established and trusted leader in software development services that provides custom software solutions across a range of platforms and technologies, including Windows, Mac, UNIX, Linux, .Net, J2EE, J2SE, J2ME, Apple iOS, Android, Windows Phone, Palm webOS, Symbian OS and other mobile embedded systems.

Orbital specializes in developing software for software companies. Orbital works with the world's leading software and technology companies – like Business Objects, Microsoft, Adobe, Broderbund and Riverdeep – to develop custom software components or entire applications for often complex or resource intensive projects.

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