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March 20, 2024 **Prospero Reporting Prospero Budgeting** 

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- MSX Group is the original team who developed, implemented and supported FRx, Forecaster, and Mgt Reporter the past 30+ years working at FRx/MSFT/MSX
- Derek has spent the last 30 years Consulting and Managing Consultants at Microsoft & MSX Group working strictly on Budgeting & Reporting Software;
- Derek has done over 300 client Implementations spanning 30 years; MSX Group has helped train, implement and support over 15,000 users!

## Microsoft Forecaster: Introduction

#### **AGENDA**

- Forecaster Demo & Overview
- Data Input Budget Input and Review
  - Multi Row tab
  - Human Resources Tab
  - Capital Tab
  - Line Items, History
- Input Sets
  - Line, Column and Calculation
  - Budget Overrides
  - Formulas
- Trees: Department and Account tree (creating and editing)
- Reports: Review different reports
- New Budget setup



## Microsoft Forecaster: Latest Product News

#### Management Reporter (MR)

- Name Change Microsoft Dynamics 365 (formerly AX7) dropped the name 'Management Reporter' and is now simply named 'Financial Reporting'.
- No more Updates or Service Packs for Management Reporter. MSX Group will continue to support MR many years to come with report conversions to Prospero!!!

#### **Forecaster**

• **No more Updates or Service Packs for Forecaster**. MSX Group will continue to support Forecaster many years to come with report conversions to Prospero!!!

#### **MSX Prospero**

• Single product (instead of two separate products above) that does both GL reporting & budgeting with migration paths from FRx, Mgt Rpt & Forecaster into Prospero; released 12 years ago and brought to you by same team from FRx/MSFT/MSX who spent the last 20 years developing, implementing and supporting Microsoft FRx, Forecaster and Mgt Reporter.



#### Some support notes to share:

- **Microsoft FRx:** Latest version is FRx 6.7 SP12 released in 2011; MSFT mainstream support ended back in 2016; there is a migration path from FRx into Prospero!
- Microsoft Management Reporter (MR): Latest version is Management Reporter 2012 CU16 released March 2018; there is a migration path from MgtRpt into Prospero!
- **Microsoft Forecaster:** Latest version is Microsoft Forecaster 7.0 SP5 released May 2014; there is a migration path from Forecaster into Prospero!
- Microsoft will no longer develop and add new features on FRx, Forecaster and Mgt Rpt; Microsoft mainstream support has already ended for FRx and Forecaster and soon will for MgtRpt based on your GL version
- MSX group will support these MSFT products for years to come, even beyond MSFT support end dates; we have many of the same team members from FRx and Microsoft support at MSX Group as we were acquired by MSFT and later spun off as MSX Group.
- MSX Prospero: Single product which replaces FRx/Mgt Reporter and Forecaster that many customers have migrated to; avoids the double setup & maintenance doing today; MSX Prospero is developed by same staff who worked at FRx/MSFT the last 20 years who originally developed, implemented & supported these Microsoft products. I can provide a 1-on-1 demo of capabilities and efficiencies to improve budget & reporting process (see attached summary). We also have free trial version of Prospero using demo data or even your GL data that most existing Prospero customers took advantage to validate the power, ease and new functionality to leverage. All FRx/Management Reporter reports convert into Prospero to save lots of time and money!



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