

# Agrium Improves Performance and Accuracy with SAP® Planning and Consolidation



#### **Challenges and Opportunities**

- Changing compliance needs (IFRS)
- Data spread across multiple applications
- Consolidation systems, administration and processing is not user friendly and has a poor reporting suite
- Stop loading the non-SAP entities into FI

#### **Objectives**

- Support the company's growth strategy
- Provide a single repository of data for business units and corporate functions
- Meet statutory requirements for public reporting purposes

#### **Implementation Highlights**

- Quick time to value 6 month implementation timeline
- Consolidated operational and financial information from 4 source systems in the U.S. and Canada into a common application
- Reduce consolidation process from 6 hours to 20 minutes

## Why implement a Planning and Consolidation system?

- Centralized data base
- Leverage existing SAP infrastructure
- Familiar interface to end users
- Easily expand the use of SAP BPC to facilitate forecasting and planning
- The tool is in the hands of the business users with much less IT dependency

#### **Benefits**

- Increased efficiency in consolidation process
- Rapid user adoption due to Microsoft Office interface
- Increased visibility within the organization
- Reduced costs
- Complete visibility into consolidation process across the organization with a single real time database

### **Why Performance Analytics**

 Addressed key areas such as Cash Flow, FX, IFRS

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