

Opera II—Top Ten User Tips

BEST USAGE OF VIEWS (ESPECIALLY SALES VIEWS) IN OPERA II

Recent versions of Opera II have introduced some changes to the “View” functionality.

- In NL View for example you can now view ‘Accounts’ or ‘Accounts with Cost Centres’. Previously the Cost Centre option was not available.
- Also in all Views (Sales, Purchase, Nominal, Stock & Job Costing) you can now view the Code as well as the Description. Previously only the Description was visible. This is very helpful now—you can change the viewing options on the criteria tab.

For the 2nd half of this tip let’s focus just on Sales View.

Have you ever tried to use the ‘Month’ or ‘Year’ analysis option in Sales Ledger Views?

Try setting up this new view in SL/Maintenance and select the following levels

1. Year; 2. Month; 3. Account; 4. Product.

This will enable you to see the sales turnover by year; select any year to see how the sales per month were in that year; then select a month to see which customers bought from you that month and then select a customer to see just what products were bought by that customer, in that month in that year.

The ease and speed of View mode is impressive. The levels above may not be exactly how you want your sales data displayed but try it—it only takes seconds. The great benefit of this experimentation may be it helps you to uncover a new way of looking at your data which you hadn’t yet imagined possible.

And of course remember that data selected in your sales view can be pasted straight into other Windows based applications like MS Excel for further analysis or manipulation.

So we urge sales management to explore Sales Views and your buying division to explore Purchase Views and your Stock controllers to explore Stock Views and your accountant to explore Nominal Views and your Project Managers to explore Job Views.

People who know ‘Views’ Love it! Please ensure that this tip (Views in Opera II) gets promoted at the next staff meeting or pass this tip on to the various departments in your organization.

Pegasus MPower Tip 2 of 10.

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More information helps you use Opera II better which in turn helps the business do better.



Worth a try, we say!

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