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## REAL-TIME SOLUTIONS

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### Default Item Planning Settings Make New Item Creation Simple!

You've got a new item. You create the item record and then you have to go and set up all the little tiny planning settings for the item in program ICPM, Inventory Planning Data Maintenance. Most of the item settings are the same for this enterprise or for this plant, but each time you start from scratch or you copy from another item record.

There's a better way.

Program ICPD, Inventory Planning Data Defaults, lets you set up planning defaults for new items based on several parameters, including the manufacturing enterprise and plant that you are logged into, and the manufacturing enterprise and plant for which the record is being created. Planning parameters are entered according to the log in enterprise and plant for the person creating the items. This means that a user that is logged into enterprise 100 will have different defaults applied to the items he enters than the person logged into enterprise 200. In each case, the item planning parameter will be created in all manufacturing enterprises, but the defaults applied will be different.

The most obvious application of this functionality is a company that has two plants, one that manufactures the items and the other that sells the finished goods. For example, when a user in the Selling plant enters a packaging item, that item is going to be of no concern to the Manufacturing plant. When a user in the Manufacturing plant enters a component item, it is going to be of no concern to those in the Selling plant. The log-in plant determines these parameters for each. For example:

- When the Selling user enters the item, the plant planning record for the selling plant will indicate that the packaging item entered is a reorder point item, and the Manufacturing plant record will not contain an order code for the item.
- When the Manufacturing user enters the item, the plant planning record for the manufacturing plant will indicate that the component item entered is an MRP item, and the Selling plant record will not contain an order code for the item.

This functionality can also be expanded to a multiple enterprise, multiple plant application. Additional examples and explanations of how to set up your defaults to get the desired results are available in the [NDS Online Help](#).

#### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

Pocket Xephx  
1.3 built for  
Windows  
Mobile 5 is  
now available  
on the Xephx  
download site.

### Need More Component Items? Why not Disassemble?

Got some shared component items? Need to take apart a stocked item to get to the component items for a different stocked items? Why not disassemble? Program ICDM, Inventory Disassembly Management, lets you enter a stocked item number and returns its component items to stock using the stocked item's bill of material. You can even scrap component items during this process.

When you enter the stocked item and the quantity to disassemble, the default component items from the item's bill of material are listed for you to select, remove, or add to. When you indicate that all of the appropriate component items have been entered, the disassembly process reduces the stock quantity of the disassembled item and increases the stocked quantity of the component items by the indicated amount, scrapping any indicated quantities.

Now you can use your shared component items for other assemblies, and all with a few taps on a keyboard. For more information about this and other features, contact your NDS Project Manager or see the [NDS Online Help](#) today.