Continuous License Reconciliation (CLR)^{TM}

Eracent's Continuous License Reconciliation (CLR) solution offers a broad set of license reconciliation and optimization capabilities that:

- Provide visibility into software license consumption and subscription utilization
- Minimize the risk and impact of publisher audits, and
- Significantly reduce any organization's software spend.

The solution dynamically calculates effective license position reports by comparing discovered product installations against purchased license entitlements. Product use rights are applied to provide the most accurate reporting possible. These may include upgrade and downgrade rights, secondary and home use rights, rules for development, test and DR environments, geographic restrictions, and more. The system also helps to optimize licensing and associated expenditures, including renewals, maintenance, and more.

ITMC Discovery™ data may be utilized as a source of installation data for reconciliation reporting. Eracent Data Extractors (EDEs) also enable data from third-party tools such as SCCM, ServiceNow Discovery, Altiris, HP-UD, ADDM, Casper and more to be normalized against the SCANMAN application recognition database and used as input for reconciliation.

Specialized Functionality

The Continuous License Reconciliation solution is comprised of several modules that provide coverage for almost any publisher, product, license model and platform:

- **CLR Base** provides reconciliation and license position reporting for any product that uses common license models like Per Device, Per User, Enterprise, and more. CLR Base provides reconciliation for many applications from Microsoft, Adobe and others.

- **CLR for Microsoft™** adds the ability to utilize Microsoft MLS and CDIC purchase transaction data to produce ELP and CDIR reports, respectively. This is in addition to using your own procurement records as a reconciliation data source. CLR for Microsoft also provides modeling and optimization functionality for SQL Server, Exchange Server and other capacity-based applications to help ensure that the most cost effective configurations are being utilized.

- **CLR for Adobe™** enables the reconciliation of both legacy licenses and Creative Cloud subscriptions. These two types of entitlements are reconciled and reported separately since upgrades and downgrades are not permitted between them.

- **CLR for IBM™** provides Processor Value Unit (PVU) and Sub-Capacity license reconciliation and reporting. It clearly displays the consumption of PVUs for each installation and calculates consumption and cost comparisons for full-capacity and sub-capacity-enabled environments. This enables organizations to make informed financial decisions on whether to enable servers to be eligible for sub-capacity licensing, with significant potential savings. CLR for IBM also adds the ability to reconcile variations of Resource Value Unit (RVU) licenses as well.

- **CLR for Oracle Applications™** provides Oracle License Management Services (LMS)-spec discovery and reporting for database products. It identifies and reports on installations with features, options and packs installed and in use since these can have an enormous impact on licensing costs. Reports include an overview in Oracle Worksheet (OWS) format and a report including all machines with Oracle database instances installed, which can be used as a target list for detailed scans. CLR for Oracle Applications also includes modeling and optimization functionality.

- **CLR for SAP Applications™- Advanced** provides specialized realization and optimization of SAP licenses and SAP engines, resulting in greatly reduced SAP licensing costs. CLR for SAP Applications looks at the actual utilization of each human and system user of SAP systems to provide an optimal licensing recommendation. This includes Indirect Usage analysis.

To learn more about how the Continuous License Reconciliation modules can help your organization gain control over your license portfolio and software spend, contact Eracent today.