

### **HOW IMPORTANT IS YOUR XBRL DATA?**

Making sure your XBRL data is accurate and consistent with your traditional filing is more important than ever before. Rely on the XBRL Consistency Suite to create the best quality, most accurate XBRL financial statements.

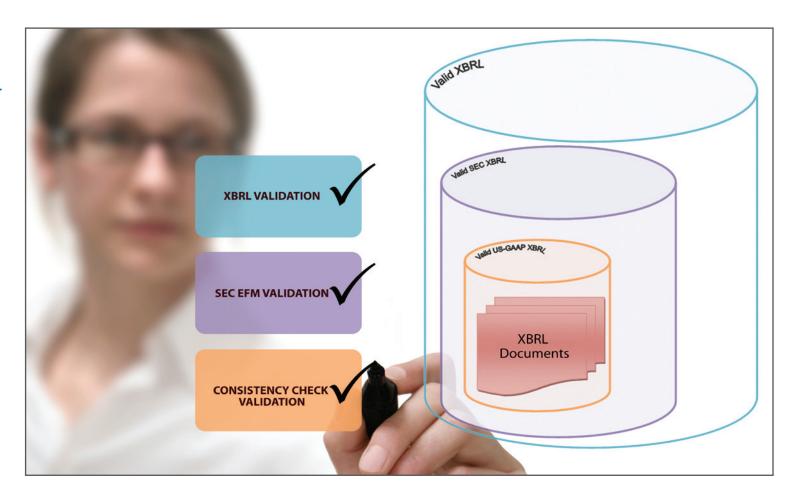
## **XBRL** Consistency Suite

Given the size and complexity of the US GAAP Financial Reporting Taxonomy, data quality issues in XBRL furnished documents are inevitable.

Every public company in the US has submitted XBRL data to the SEC, furnishing thousands of XBRL-formatted documents. On review of these documents, XBRL US has identified over half a million data quality problems in these company filings combined.

The consequence of these data quality errors is inaccurate data in your XBRL filing and inconsistencies compared to your traditional HTML filing.

Validate your filing using the three critical validation methods for the best way to guard against errors.



#### **STEP1: XBRL VALIDATION**

Compliance with the XBRL technical specification that looks at the structure and schema of your XBRL document. This is included in most XBRL creation tools/services.

#### **STEP 2: SEC EFM VALIDATION**

Checks conformance with the automated portions of the Edgar Filer Manual, e.g., document entity information. Also included in most tools and services, this validation ensures that your document is accepted to the EDGAR system.

#### **STEP 3: CONSISTENCY CHECK VALIDATION**

Runs over 12,000 automated data quality checks for a consistent and comprehensive test for errors that will result in incorrect data in your XBRL filing and inconsistencies versus your traditional filing. Only available through XBRL US.

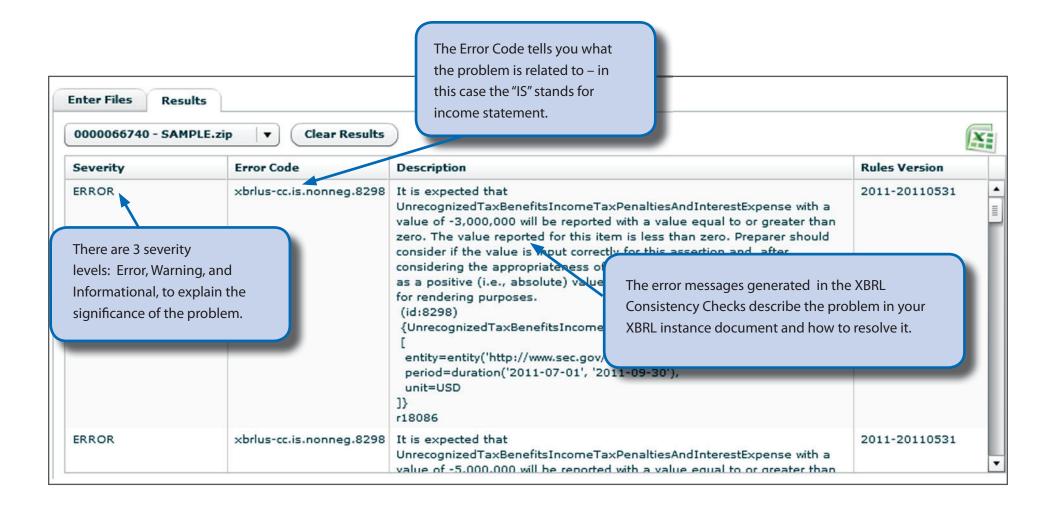
# What data quality errors does the XBRL Consistency Suite check for?

The XBRL Consistency checks reviews concepts and combinations of concepts in an instance document, **before it's filed with the SEC**, to identify the most common problems in XBRL filings such as:

- » Negative values
- » Inappropriate table structures
- » Missing disclosures
- » Inappropriate calculations
- » Deprecated concepts
- » Incorrect use of decimals
- » Inconsistency in facts reported
- » Incorrect use of future context date
- » Inappropriate units

In total, the tool runs over 12,000 rules that fall into over 30 categories of potential problems. The rules can be run automatically against an XBRL instance document to produce a report that identifies errors you can correct before SEC submission.

The XBRL Consistency Suite generates an error report by checking concepts and combinations of concepts in your XBRL instance document against the 12,000+ rules and can be run multiple times until you have resolved all issues.



# How were the Checks developed and how are they maintained?

XBRL experts who are CPAs, accountants and analysts, created and maintain the checks. These individuals developed the initial US GAAP taxonomy and the XBRL technical specification, and have years of experience in XBRL technology and accounting. They have extensively and meticulously researched XBRL filings, how they are created and how data from them is consumed. The US GAAP taxonomy concepts and combinations of concepts have been reviewed and analyzed for potential problems that can occur during XBRL financial statement preparation, and rules (checks) have been created to flag these potential errors.

The XBRL Consistency Checks allows you to establish a consistent, systematic quality check that is part of your XBRL controls process. The rules are updated every quarter through:

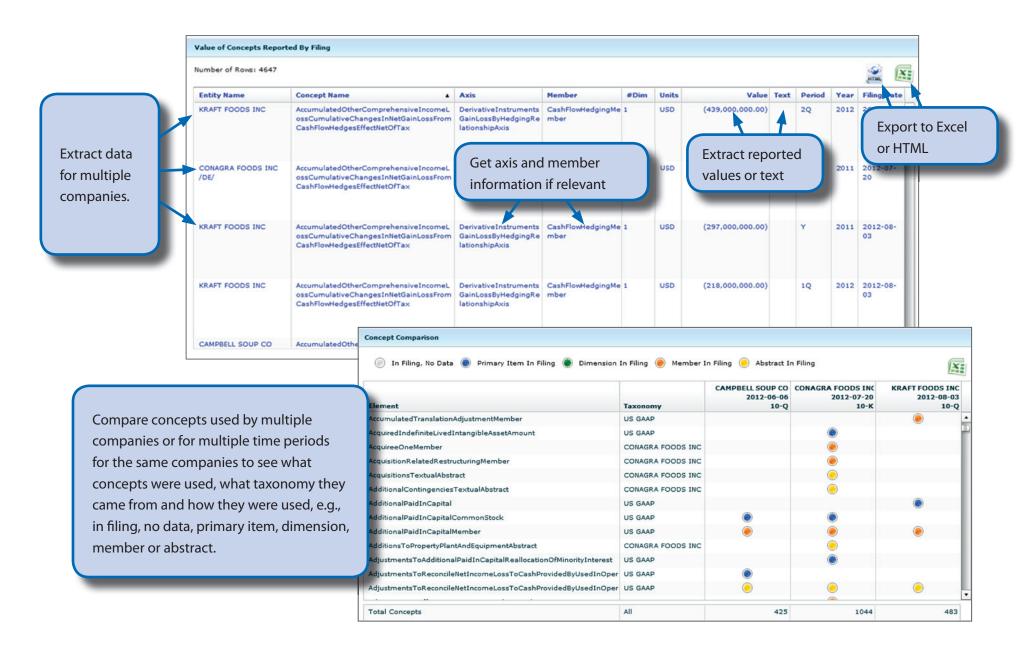
- » Continuous, intensive analysis of filings submitted to the SEC
- » Input from the XBRL US Best Practice Group, a team of accountants, XBRL tool and service providers, public company preparers, investors and analysts
- » Review and analysis of changes to the US GAAP Taxonomy to catch deprecated items, definition changes and other structural changes that can impact the way the taxonomy should be used



# What else is included in the XBRL Consistency Suite?

## **Company Filings Analysis**

Access to an XBRL database of all SEC XBRL submissions to see extensions created and concepts used by peers. The database is accessed by selecting from criteria including entity, filing, time period, and concept. The data is updated within minutes of posting to the SEC web site. Both text and numeric values can be extracted and exported to Excel for further analysis.

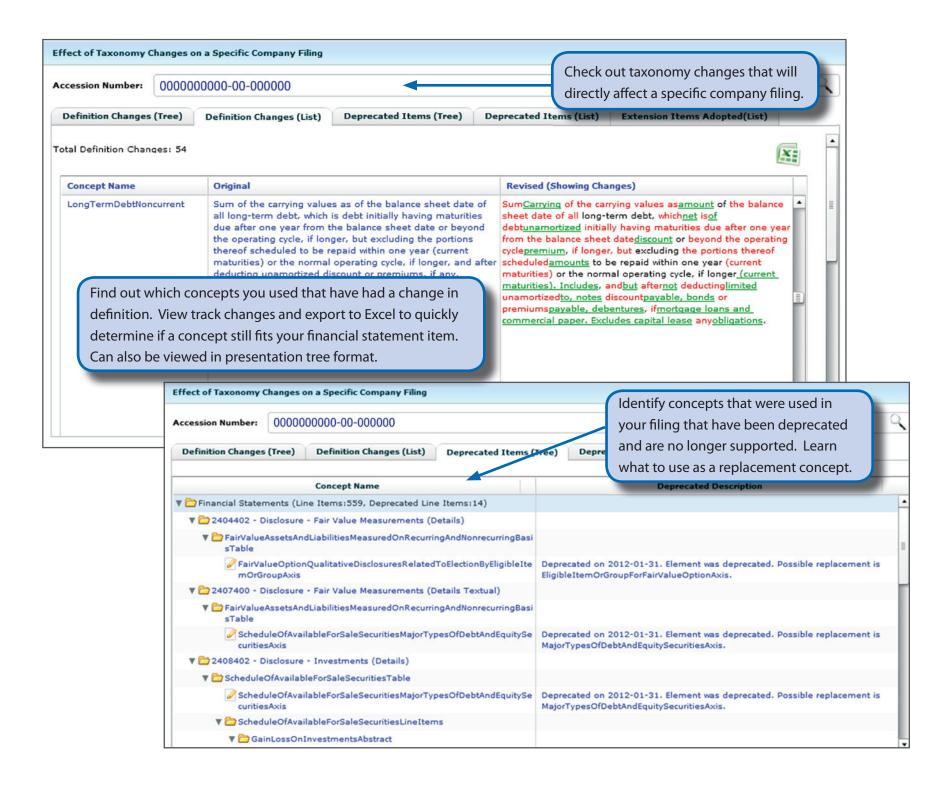


### **Other Core Functions found in Company Filing Analysis**

Company Filing Analysis also lets you review label use among your peers, find out what extensions were created and the context of those extensions and other types of analysis. Company Filings can be used for external reporting and XBRL work but can also be used for financial planning and investor relations throughout your company to extract the most current peer data within minutes of it being filed to EDGAR.

## **Taxonomy View and Compare**

A tool to identify changes from one release of the taxonomy to another that will directly impact your own XBRL document.



### What does the XBRL Consistency Suite cost?

\$2500 per year which includes:

- » Unlimited users throughout your company
- » Up-front training
- » Ongoing phone and e-mail support
- » New releases each quarter with updated functionality, additional checks
- » Discounts on XBRL US educational and training programs

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