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Introduction

Overview

The .net Accounts Receivable Customer Collection program was designed as a tool to use when performing collections on customers. It allows the user to see which customer accounts are past due, it provides an area to enter follow-up notes for future reference, it facilitates the generation of past due letters and it can also calculate finance charges.

Contact Information

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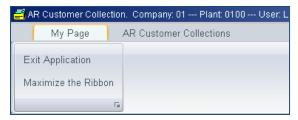
Overview

Taskbar

The My Page tab on the taskbar will provide the PrintStream standard toolbar.

- Exit Application This will close the program.
- Minimize the Ribbon Removes the band below the taskbar.

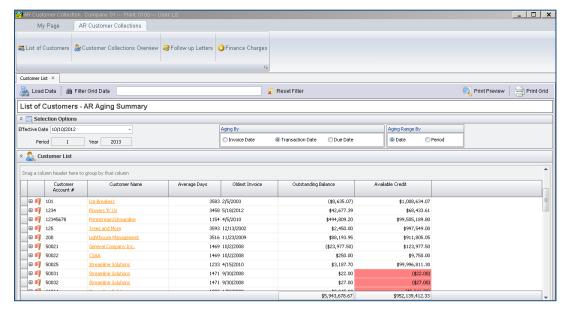
The AR Customer Collection tab option on the taskbar will provide the functions available within the program.



List Customers

Select the AR Customer Collections tab from the taskbar.

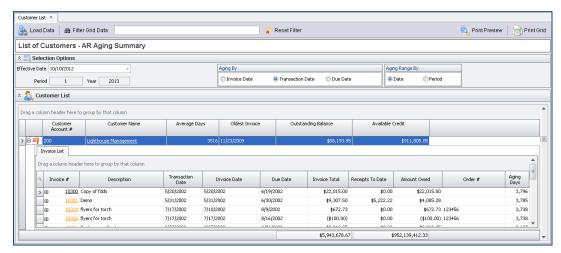
- 1. Click List of Customers.
 - List of Customers will display all customers with an outstanding balance in PrintStream.
- Select the Effective Date, the Aging By option (Invoice Date will load the data based on the date of the invoices, Transaction Date will load the data based on the Transaction/Batch date of the invoices, and Due Date will load the data based on the due date of the invoices).
- 3. Select the **Aging Range By** (Date will age the data by the actual date of the Aging By selected, and Period will age the data by the period as a whole based on the Aging By selected).
- 4. Click Load Data.



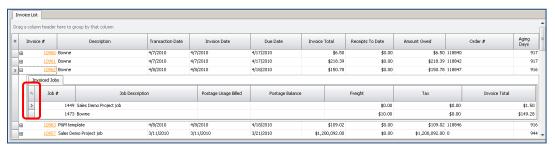
Based on the criteria selected, the grid will populate with customers carrying an outstanding balance, the average days past due the customer's account is, the date of the oldest invoice, the total outstanding balance and the available credit for the customer.

5. Clicking the plus (+) sign at the beginning of each row will provide a listing of the outstanding invoices for the customer.

The transaction date, invoice date, and due date is provided along with the invoice total, receipts applied to the invoice, the amount owed, the customer's order number and the average aging days for the account.



6. Clicking the plus (+) sign next to the invoice number will further drill down to the job level. Clicking the magnifying glass in any window provided will expand that window to full display.



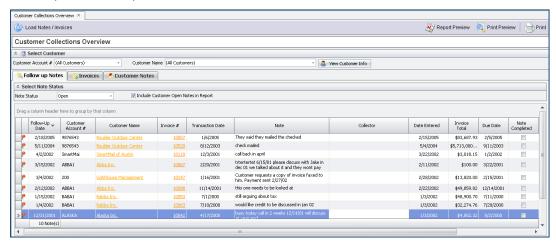
- 7. The **Filter Grid Data** field will allow you to key in data you are searching for within the List Customer screen. For example, if you wanted to search on the word PrintStream, entering **PrintStream** in the field provided and clicking the word **Filter Grid Data**, the program will locate each time PrintStream displays. **Reset Filter** will reset the grid back to original.
- 8. **Print Preview** will preview the data grid to the screen prior to printing it, and **Print Grid** will print the data grid.



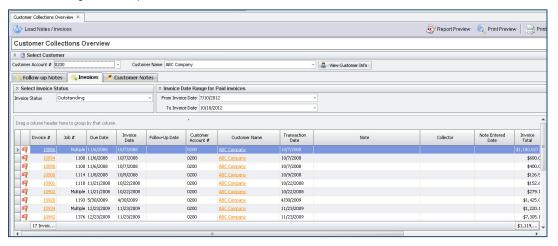
Customer Collection Overview

The Customer Collection Overview screen provides three functions: The ability to record Follow Up Notes, review invoices and record Customer Notes.

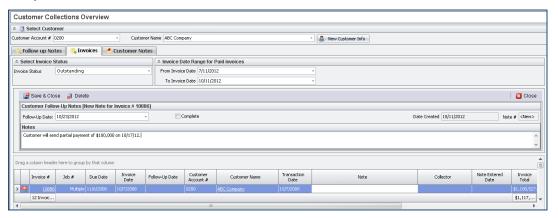
- The Follow Up Note tab allows notes to be reviewed against a customer's account, new notes can be created and existing notes can be edited.
- 2. Select the customer account number, select the customer name in the fields provided or leave the field blank to pull all follow up notes. Select the **Note Status** and click **Load Notes/Invoices**.



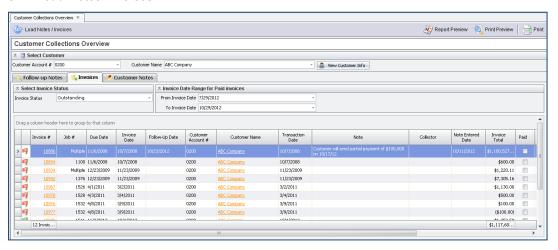
- 3. To review a note, double-click a row. The note will display for you to review or edit. If a new follow-up date is required, change the date in the field provided. If the note has been resolved, click the **Complete** box. Click **Save & Close**. Clicking the hyperlink for the customer name or invoice number will drill down and provide additional details relating to each option.
- 4. The Invoices tab will provide a listing of invoices for the customer account selected. You can filter on outstanding invoices, paid invoices or all invoices in the Invoice Status field. If Paid Invoices is selected, you can further filter to invoices paid within an invoice date range in the From/To Invoice Date Range fields.
- 5. Clicking the hyperlink for the invoice number or the customer name will drill down and provide additional details relating to each option.



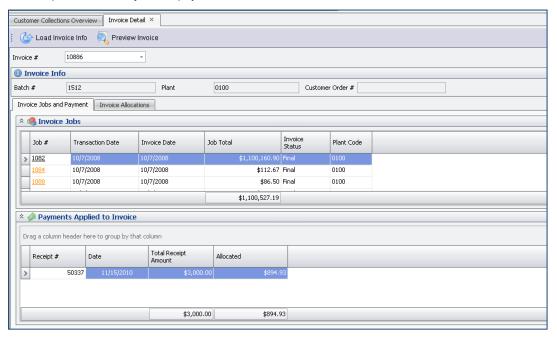
6. To add or edit a note, double-click the line item or right-click the line and select Edit Note. Add or edit the note, assign a Follow Up Note, and select Save & Close. To mark a note complete, select the Complete check box and click Save & Close.



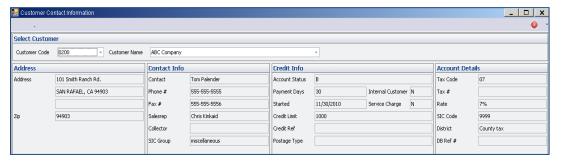
7. To review the invoices created to a customer's account, select the customer account number, select the customer name, or leave the field blank to pull all customer invoices. You can further refine your selection by selecting the Invoice Status as well as a From Invoice Date and To Invoice Date range. Click Load Notes/Invoices.



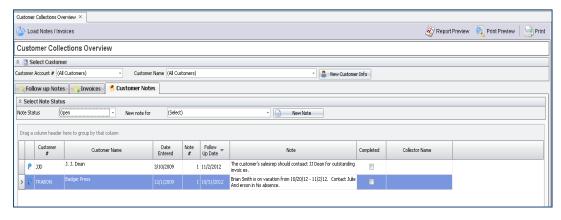
After the grid loads with the requested data, notes can be edited or created by double-clicking the
Notes cell or you can right-click and select Edit Note. Clicking the Invoice # hyperlink will provide drill
down capabilities to the job and payment level for the invoice.



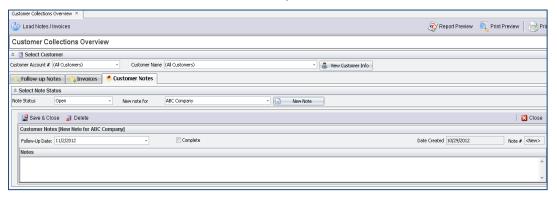
Clicking the customer name hyperlink will provide a window displaying the customer's contact information.



10. The Customer Notes tab will allow you to view notes entered that are specific to the customer's account overall. Enter the customer's account number or the customer's name, or leave the field blank to pull all customer notes. You can further refine your search by selecting the Note Status. Click Load Notes/Invoices.



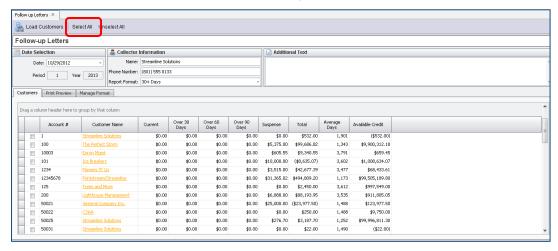
11. To edit a note, double-click the note or right-click and select **Edit Note**. Make the necessary changes and select **Save and Close**. To add a new note, select the customer account in the **New Note for** field and click **New Note**. Enter the note, select a follow up date, and click **Save and Close**.



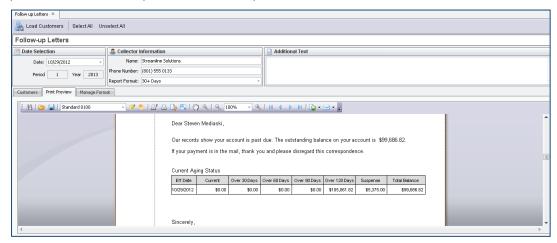
Follow Up Letters

Follow up Letters can be generated to inform the customer the current status of their account. PrintStream provides canned letters for each aging category or the user can define custom letters.

 Select the date for the letter, verify the collector information, and select the Report Format. Click Load Customers. Based on the report format selected, the grid will load with the requested data.



 Click the check box in the second column to select the customers you want to generate a follow up letter to, or click Select All. After the customers have been selected, click the Print Preview tab. To print the letters, click the printer icon on the report toolbar.



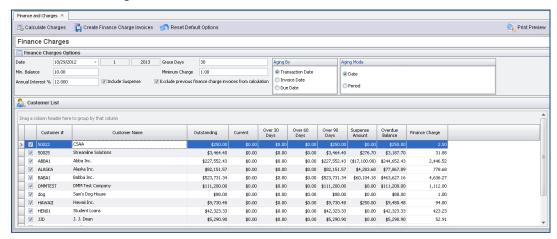
 To create custom follow up letters, click the Manage Format tab. You can select an existing report, save a copy, and rename it and make the necessary changes or click Create New format to design a letter from scratch.

Finance Charges

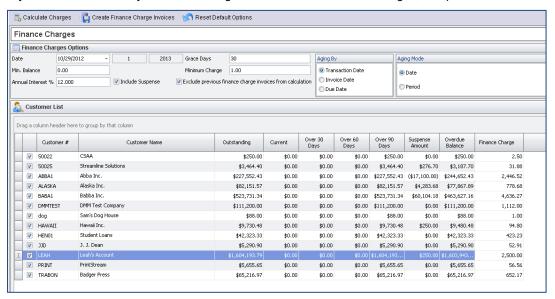
Finance charges can be generated from the .net Customer Collection program. If the **Service Charge** check box in the customer's master file is checked, the Finance Charge program will calculate finance charges for the customer.

- 1. In the **Date** field, select the cut-off date for finance charges to be calculated. Insert a minimum balance finance charges should be calculated against in the **Min. Balance** field, and insert the annual interest % rate used to calculate the finance charges in the **Annual Interest** %.
- 2. The number of grace days will default to the global setting defined, however this number can be overridden if needed. The number inserted into the Grace Days field will be added to the date of the transaction for extra grace time before an invoice is considered overdue. For example: If your customer's invoice is due October 1st and the grace days are defined as 30, finance charges will be assessed beginning November 1st. To define the global default grace days, please contact your PrintStream Accounting Support contact.
- 3. Insert the minimum dollar value a finance charge should be assessed in the Minimum Charge field. Next, select the Aging By option as well as the Aging Mode. If you want the program to account for AR suspense money on the customer's account in the finance charge calculation (total dollars past due less AR suspense money), select the Include Suspense check box. If you do not want the program to deduct AR suspense money from the past due balance, do not select this box.

4. If you do not want the program to factor unpaid finance charges into the calculation of the overdue amount, then select the Exclude Previous Finance Charge Invoices from Calculation check box. Click Calculate Charges.



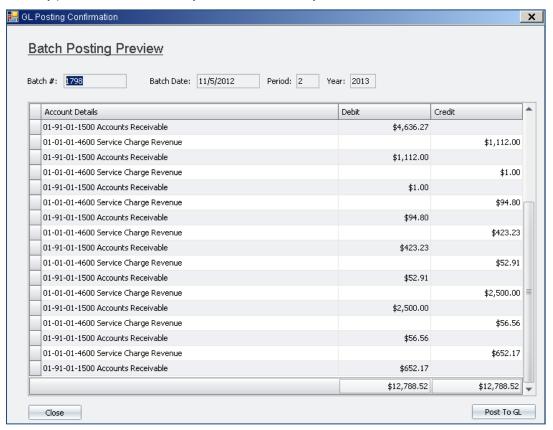
5. To unselect a customer from the selection, clear a check box to remove the customer from the selection. To edit the calculated finance charge, double-click the Finance Charge cell for the customer, key in the dollar amount you want to charge the customer for finance charges, and press Enter.



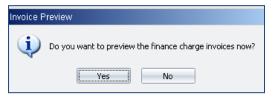
To create invoices for the calculated or edited finance charges, select Create Finance Charge Invoices at the top of the screen. The following confirmation window will appear. Click Yes to proceed with creating AR invoices for the finance charges calculated, or click No to not proceed.



7. Clicking Yes to the confirmation message will open the Batch Posting Preview window. This window will provide the DI batch number created, the batch date, the period the batch was created in, along with a posting summary for the batch. To post the batch to the GL, click Post to GL. Click Close if you want to manually post the DI batch manually from AR Invoice Entry.

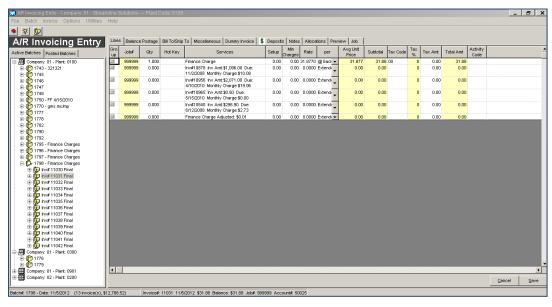


8. Clicking No will provide the following message:



Selecting **No** will close the message window, while selecting **Yes** will open the AR Invoice Entry program so you can view the AR Invoices created.

9. Below is a screenshot of one of the finance charge invoices created from the .Net Customer Collection program. Additional lines can be added, or any cell in white can be edited. When ready to post, single click the batch number in the tree to select the batch, then right-click and select **Post Batch**.

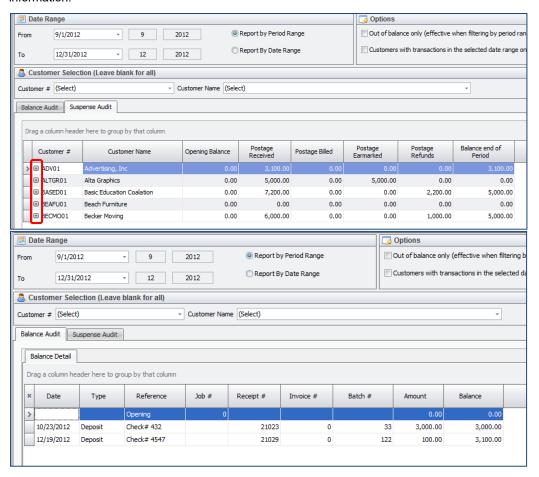


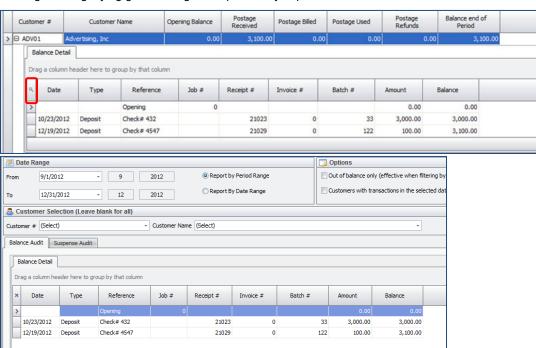
.Net Tools

The .Net programming provides many sorting and filtering tools as well as enhanced functionality within the data screens provided.

Grid Functionality

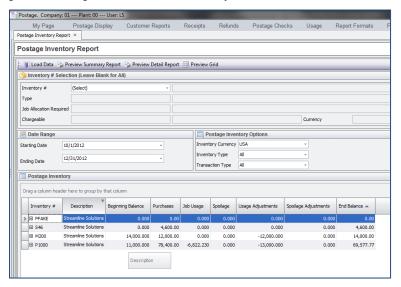
Grids that display a '+' sign at the beginning of a row indicates the record can be opened to display additional information.

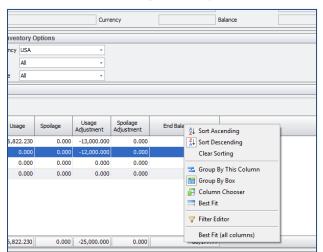




Clicking the magnifying glass enlarges the previously expanded record.

 To remove columns from the grid, click the column header you want to remove and drag it off of the grid. Removing columns will automatically save and remain when the module is re-opened.





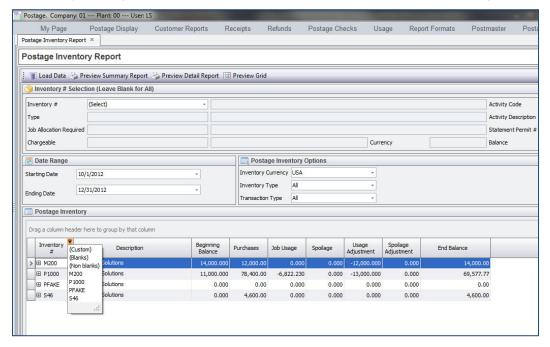
2. To add the column back, right-click any header and select Column Chooser.

3. The columns that have been removed from the grid will display in the Customization window. Click the column header you want to add back to the grid, and drag and drop it to the location in the grid you want to display it.

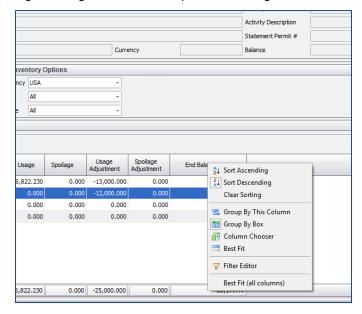


Sorting and Grouping

Each column header can be sorted by clicking it. The column header also contains a wizard which can be accessed by hovering the mouse within the column header. This wizard will provide sorting options available.

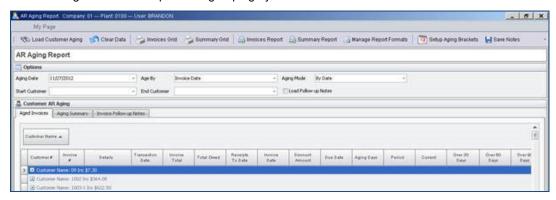


1. Right-clicking a column header provides a listing of additional sorting and filtering options.



To group by a particular column, simply click and drag the column header to the upper left area of the grid.

The following screen shot represents grouping by **Customer Name**.



3. You may also group by more than one column. An example would be to group by **Customer Name** and then group by **Period**, as shown below. This is accomplished by simply clicking and dragging the next column header to the section above the grid.



Resetting the Grid

Any formatting you do will automatically be saved and remain when the module is re-opened.

You can remove all groupings and reset the Grid to its original format by right-clicking in the grouping display area and then select the option to **Clear Grouping**.

