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ABOUT THIS MANUAL

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- ❑ Which applications your organization has purchased and installed
- ❑ Configuration settings that may turn features off or on
- ❑ Customization specific to your organization
- ❑ Security settings as they apply to the system and your user account

Where to Find Information

Consult the table below to find specific information from the relevant Agile PLM for Process information source.

Table 1: Agile PLM for Process documentation topics, by source

Information type	Supplier Portal User Guide	Admin. User Guide	Release Notes	Agile training	Help Desk	Agile sales rep
Administering Agile PLM for Process		●		●		
Approved registrations	●					
Cache management		●				
Core data management		●				
Custom data management		●				
Deactivated registrations	●					
Feature requests					●	●
Group management		●				
Installing Agile PLM for Process				●		●
Known issues			●			
Last-minute changes			●			
Managing registrations	●					
Rejected registrations	●					
Resolved issues			●			
System-based roles		●				
Technical support					●	
Using the Supplier Portal application	●					

Document Conventions

The following formatting elements appear in Agile PLM for Process documentation.

Element	Meaning
Helvetica Condensed, 9 pt. bold type	A user interface (UI) element that a procedure is instructing you to click, select, or type into. For example, buttons or text entry fields.
9 pt. monospace font	Code samples
10 pt. monospace font	File names or directory names
<i>Blue italic font</i>	The linked portion of a cross-reference. Click it to go to the referenced heading, table, or figure.
Minion Typeface, Title Case	A named UI element that a procedure is describing but not instructing you to click, select, or type into.
<hr/> Note Minion 11.5 pt, with faint blue bar over & under <hr/>	Alerts you to supplemental information.
<hr/> Caution! Minion 11.5 pt, with faint red bar over & under <hr/>	Alerts you to possible data loss, breaches of security, or other more serious problems.
<hr/> Important Minion 11.5 pt, with thick red bar over & under <hr/>	Alerts you to supplementary information that is essential to the completion of a task.

Introduction

This chapter presents an overview of Supplier Portal and Supplier Portal Administration. Topics in this chapter include:

- ❑ *Supplier Portal Overview*
 - ❑ *Supplier Portal Administration Overview*
 - ❑ *Touch Points with Other Applications*
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Supplier Portal Overview

Supplier Portal (SP) provides a central location for your company's supply chain partners to access specification data, review catalogs of procedural and standards documents, and manage contact information.

Refer to [Using Supplier Portal](#) on page 2-1 for more information on a supplier's use of Supplier Portal.

Supplier Portal Administration Overview

Administrators use the Supplier Portal Administration (SPA) application to manage Supplier Portal registrations.

Refer to [Using Supplier Portal Administration](#) on page 3-1 for more information on an administrator's use of Supplier Portal Administration.

For general information on using Agile Product Lifecycle Management for Process software, see the *Agile Product Lifecycle Management for Process Getting Started Guide*.

Touch Points with Other Applications

Supplier Portal and Supplier Portal Administration interface with several other Agile PLM for Process applications.

Global Specification Management

Suppliers can view specifications created in the Global Specification Management (GSM) application using Supplier Portal. Refer to [Viewing Specifications](#) on page 2-10 and [Supplier Actions](#) on page 2-14, or for more information, see the *Agile Product Lifecycle Management for Process Global Specification Management User Guide*.

Supply Chain Relationship Management

Suppliers can view sourcing approvals, documents, and contacts for select companies and facilities using Supplier Portal. Sourcing approvals and contacts for companies and facilities are set up and maintained using the Supply Chain Relationship Management (SCRM) application. Refer to page 2-18 through page 2-26 for more information, or see the *Agile Product Lifecycle Management for Process Supply Chain Relationship Management User Guide*.

Administrators control what information registrants see in Supplier Portal by assigning companies and facilities, which are set up in SCRM. Refer to [Assigning Companies or Facilities to a Supplier Portal User](#) on page 3-3 for more information.

Document Reference Library

Using Supplier Portal, suppliers can view documents and catalogs of documents stored in the Document Reference Library (DRL) application for their associated companies and facilities. Refer to [Viewing Document Reference Library](#) on page 2-19 for more information, or see the *Agile Product Lifecycle Management for Process Document Reference Library User Guide*.

eQuestionnaire

Suppliers can initiate questionnaires from Supplier Portal. Refer to the *Agile Product Lifecycle Management for Process eQuestionnaire User Guide* for more information on the eQuestionnaire (eQ) application.

Using Supplier Portal

This chapter describes how a company and its suppliers use Supplier Portal. It includes the following topics:

- ❑ *Overview of Supplier Portal*
 - ❑ *Accessing Supplier Portal—Registrants*
 - ❑ *Viewing Specifications*
 - ❑ *Publishing Specifications*
 - ❑ *Access Control and Visibility*
 - ❑ *Supplier Actions*
 - ❑ *Viewing Supplier and Facility Documents*
 - ❑ *Viewing Document Reference Library*
 - ❑ *Displaying Your Company and Facility Contacts to a Supplier*
 - ❑ *Managing Supplier Contact Information*
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Overview of Supplier Portal

Supplier Portal provides a central location for your company's supply chain partners to access specification data, review catalogs of procedural and standards documents, and manage contact information. It gives supply chain partners (such as vendors, suppliers, brokers, and distributors) the ability to:

- ❑ Obtain information regarding specifications that they have a sourcing relationship with
- ❑ Obtain guidance surrounding expectations of deliverables in the form of catalogs of documents from a managed library
- ❑ Manage contact data for personnel at their facilities
- ❑ View selected documentation related to suppliers' facilities, compliance, contracts, and specifications
- ❑ Approve or reject a specification
- ❑ Initiate questionnaires for specifications

Using Global Specification Management (GSM) and Supply Chain Relationship Management (SCRM), you can set restrictions that control the information that is visible to your suppliers.

This guide explains the use of:

- Supplier Portal (SP) from a *supplier perspective* in terms of functionality and information available. These topics are covered in this chapter, as well as a supplier requesting and receiving access to the Supplier Portal Web site.
- Supplier Portal Administrator (SPA) from a *company perspective* (granting access to Supplier Portal to a supplier). See [Using Supplier Portal Administration](#) on page 3-1 for this information.

Supported Specification Types

Supplier Portal supports the following specification types:

- Ingredient
- Product
- Printed packaging
- Packaging material
- Trade
- Equipment

Accessing Supplier Portal—Registrants

Note This chapter is written for a company’s suppliers who register for and use Supplier Portal.

When the supplier accesses the Supplier Portal site, the Welcome page is displayed, as shown in figure 2-1.

Figure 2-1: Welcome page



The supplier clicks on the language of preference. If the supplier selects **English**, the Login page will be displayed, as shown in figure 2-2.

Figure 2-2: Login page

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By entering this network, you agree to the following terms and conditions:

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User Name:

Password:

[I Agree to these Terms and Conditions](#)

[Click HERE if you have not registered with this site](#)

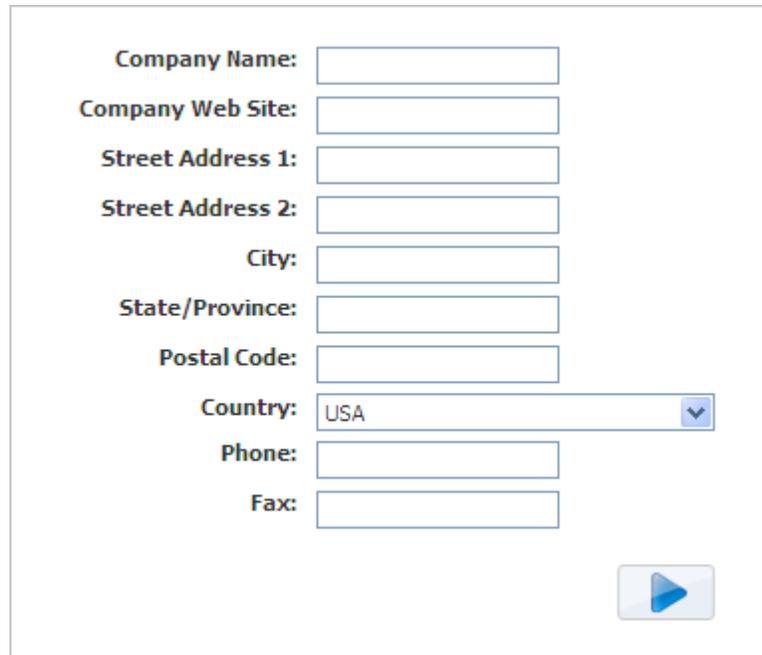
[Forgot Your Password?](#)

The supplier logs in using a user name and password. Or, if the supplier has not yet registered, the supplier clicks the **Click HERE if you have not registered with this site** link.

Note The user name is defined by the system based on the supplier's first and last name provided during the registration process. It is emailed to the user once approval has been granted. The user name can be changed by the Supplier Portal Administrator.

Clicking the **Click HERE if you have not registered with this site** displays the first step in the registration process, the Company Information page, shown in figure 2-3.

Figure 2-3: Company Information page



The screenshot shows a registration form with the following fields and controls:

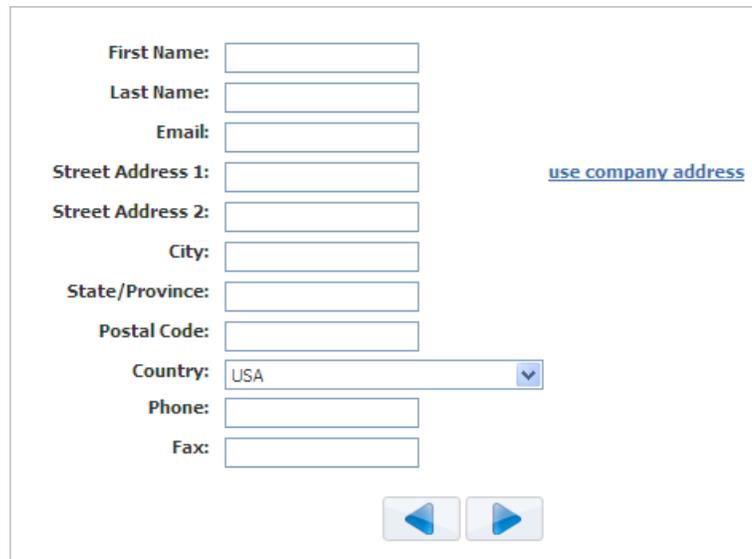
- Company Name:
- Company Web Site:
- Street Address 1:
- Street Address 2:
- City:
- State/Province:
- Postal Code:
- Country: (dropdown menu)
- Phone:
- Fax:
- A blue play button icon is located at the bottom right of the form area.

This is the first page where a supplier fills out company information. The following fields are required:

- Company Name
- Company Web Site
- Street Address 1
- City
- State/Province
- Postal Code
- Country
- Phone
- Fax

The supplier fills in the company information and clicks the next page icon (). The Contact Information page is displayed, as figure 2-4 shows below:

Figure 2-4: Contact Information page



The screenshot displays a registration form with the following fields and controls:

- First Name:
- Last Name:
- Email:
- Street Address 1: [use company address](#)
- Street Address 2:
- City:
- State/Province:
- Postal Code:
- Country:
- Phone:
- Fax:

At the bottom right of the form, there are two navigation buttons: a left-pointing arrow and a right-pointing arrow.

This is the second registration page where a supplier provides contact information. The following fields are required:

- First Name
- Last Name
- Email
- Street Address 1
- City
- State/Province
- Postal Code
- Country
- Phone
- Fax

The supplier fills in the fields and clicks the next page icon () to go forward, or clicks the previous page icon () to update information on prior pages. The supplier can click the **use company address** link and the system will populate the address fields from the previous page. Clicking the next page icon () displays the Username & Password page, shown in figure 2-5 below.

Figure 2-5: Username & Password page



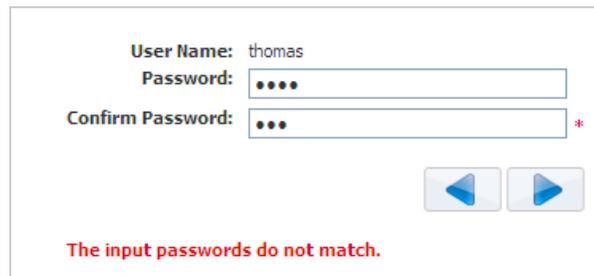
User Name: thomas
Password:
Confirm Password:
 

This is the third page of the registration process. The User Name field displays the system defined user name. The supplier enters a password in the **Password** field, and confirms it by typing it again in the **Confirm Password** field.

If the passwords do not match, an error message is displayed as shown in figure 2-6 below.

Once a valid user name and password is entered, the supplier can click the previous page icon () to update information on prior pages, or move forward by clicking the next page icon ().

Figure 2-6: Error message



User Name: thomas
Password:
Confirm Password: *
 
The input passwords do not match.

The Registration Summary page, shown in figure 2-7, is the final place for the supplier to review the information provided before submitting the registration request.

Figure 2-7: Registration Summary page

Please review the information below. If it is correct, click the submit button to submit your application for inclusion in the CPI Vendor Quality Program website.

Company Name: ABC Manufacturing	First Name: John
Company Web Site: abcmanuf.com	Last Name: Thomas
Street Address 1: 100 Main Street	Email: jthomas@abcmanuf.com
Street Address 2:	Street Address 1: 100 Main Street
City: Anytown	Street Address 2:
State/Province: TX	City: Anytown
Postal Code: 70000	State/Province: TX
Country: USA	Postal Code: 70000
Phone: 555-111-2222	Country: USA
Fax: 555-111-3333	Phone: 555-111-2222
	Fax: 555-111-3333



When the supplier clicks **Submit**, the request is sent to the Supplier Portal Administration (SPA) application. The Thank You confirmation page, shown in figure 2-8 below, is displayed. The Thank You page confirms that the request has been successfully sent. The supplier now waits for approval from the Supplier Portal administrator.

Figure 2-8: Thank You page

Thank you for registering with the CPI Vendor Portal Quality Program website. Your application will be reviewed for inclusion. If accepted, you will be notified electronically.

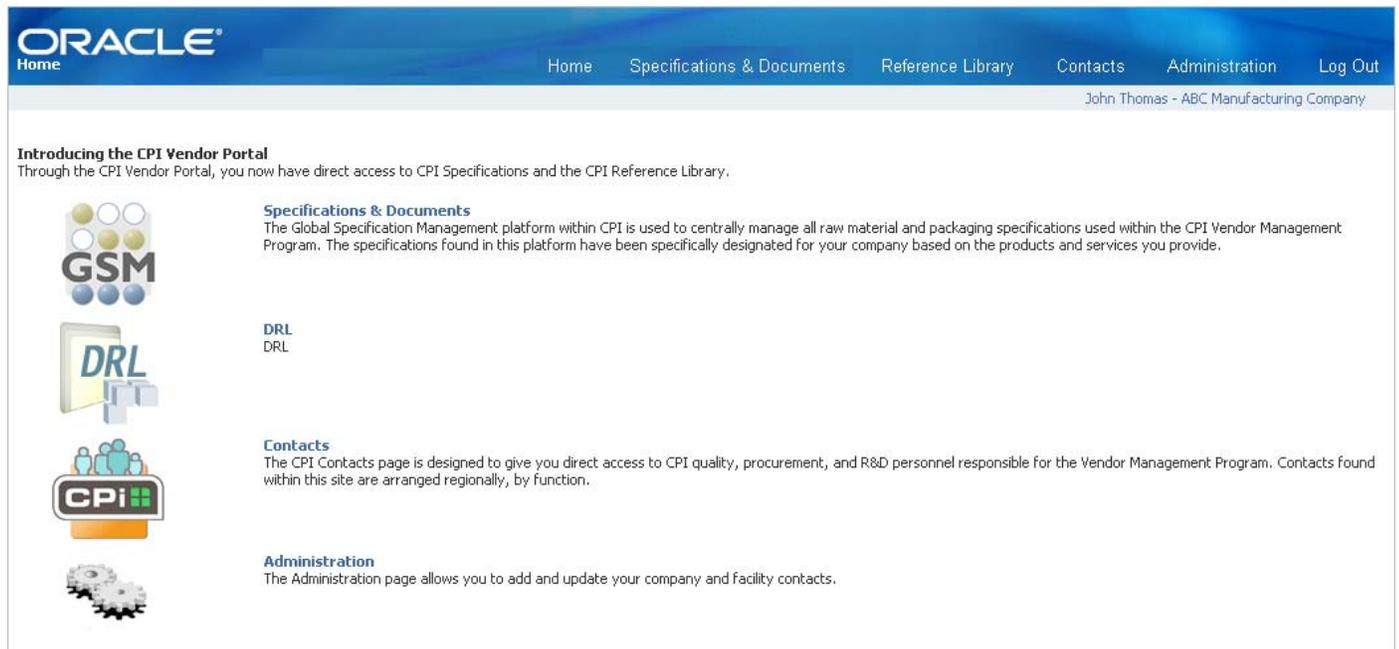
The administrator accesses Supplier Portal Administration (SPA) and views the registration request. The administrator can either grant or deny the request from the supplier. When the administrator approves the request from the supplier, the supplier will receive an email confirming that the request has been granted. The administrator will also associate the appropriate companies and facilities to the supplier, as this will determine the specification and contact information the supplier will see in Supplier Portal. Refer to *Using Supplier Portal Administration* on page 3-1 for more information.

When the administrator grants the request from the supplier, the supplier will be sent an email confirming that the request has been granted.

Once logged into Supplier Portal, the supplier will be able to view those specifications for which they have sourcing approvals. Several criteria are used to decide which specifications will be visible to the supplier. These are described in more detail later in this chapter.

On logging in, the supplier will see the page shown in figure 2-9. This is the Home page of Supplier Portal.

Figure 2-9: Home page



The supplier can perform the following tasks using Supplier Portal:

- View raw material specifications such as ingredient, product, printed packaging, packaging material, trade, and equipment specifications
- View public documents attached to these specifications
- View related specifications
- View sourcing approvals
- View public documents attached to the sourcing approvals
- Approve specifications by sending an electronic signature
- Submit changes to specifications by creating and sending a supplier-initiated questionnaire
- View selected documents in the Document Reference Library (DRL)
- View selected documents attached to the supplier
- View selected documents attached to facilities
- Manage contact information for companies and facilities that the supplier has been associated with

You can log out of Supplier Portal by clicking **Log Out** in the navigation bar. Supplier Portal displays the login page with a message verifying a successful logout.

Viewing Specifications

The supplier can view specification-related information by clicking **Specifications & Documents** from the Home page. The Action Items page only displays if the supplier has action items. This page contains specifications awaiting approval from the supplier, as figure 2-10 shows below. The Action Items page only displays specifications that contain the “Supplier Review” tag in their WFA template’s step.

Figure 2-10: Action Items tab

Action Items						
Specification(s) Documents						
Group By: Receiving Facilities Order By: Spec Name Refresh						
ABC - Dallas Results Per Page 20						
Spec Name	Source Company	Source Facility	Receiving Facilities	Sourcing Status	Supplier Item #	Sourcing Documentation
Steak Seasoning (5088299-001 - Review)	International Flavors & Spice Blending	International Flavors & Spice Blending - Carrollton	ABC - Dallas	Supplier Review	68946-65448	
1						
ABC Foods - Atlanta Results Per Page 20						
Spec Name	Source Company	Source Facility	Receiving Facilities	Sourcing Status	Supplier Item #	Sourcing Documentation
Crazy Salt Mix (5088292-001 - Review)	International Flavors & Spice Blending	International Flavors & Spice Blending - Carrollton	ABC Foods - Atlanta	Supplier Review	4587962-3247	
1						

The listing displays the name of the specification in addition to sourcing approval information.

The Action Items and Specifications tabs include two drop-down lists used to categorize the specification listing. By default, specifications are sorted by receiving facility and then ordered by specification name inside each facility grid.

- 1 **Group By**—Select a choice to group the specifications by:
 - Source Company
 - Source Facility
 - Receiving Facilities
 - Sourcing Approval Status
 - -- No grouping (The supplier would select this to only use the Order By option)

- 2 **Order By**—Select a choice to order the specifications by:
 - Spec Name
 - Source Company
 - Source Facility
 - Sourcing Approval Status
 - Supplier Item #

The supplier clicks the **Refresh** button after making selections from the drop-down lists. Each group is paged. Select the Results Per Page drop-down to control how many specifications are listed in each grid. The default value is 20.

Select the numbers in the footer of the grid to see the next page of specifications.
See figure 2-11 below.

Figure 2-11: Specification(s) tab

Select the number of specifications to view per grid. The default is 20.

Group By: Order By:

ABC - Dallas Results Per Page

Spec Name	Source Company	Source Facility	Receiving Facilities	Sourcing Status	Supplier Item #	Sourcing Documentation
Cajun Seasoning (5088286-001 - Review)	International Flavors & Spice Blending	International Flavors & Spice Blending - Carrollton	ABC - Dallas	Approved	4587962-6548	
Jamaican Jerk Seasoning (5088311-001 - Review)	International Flavors & Spice Blending	International Flavors & Spice Blending - Carrollton	ABC - Dallas	Approved	68946-3332	
Steak Seasoning (5088299-001 - Review)	International Flavors & Spice Blending	International Flavors & Spice Blending - Carrollton	ABC - Dallas	Supplier Review	68946-65448	

ABC Foods - Atlanta Results Per Page

Spec Name	Source Company	Source Facility	Receiving Facilities	Sourcing Status	Supplier Item #	Sourcing Documentation
Crazy Salt Mix (5088292-001 - Review)	International Flavors & Spice Blending	International Flavors & Spice Blending - Carrollton	ABC Foods - Atlanta	Supplier Review	4587962-3247	
Italian Seasoning (5088302-001 - Review)	International Flavors & Spice Blending	International Flavors & Spice Blending - Carrollton	ABC Foods - Atlanta	Approved	4587962-3452	

Each specification is listed with the following key information:

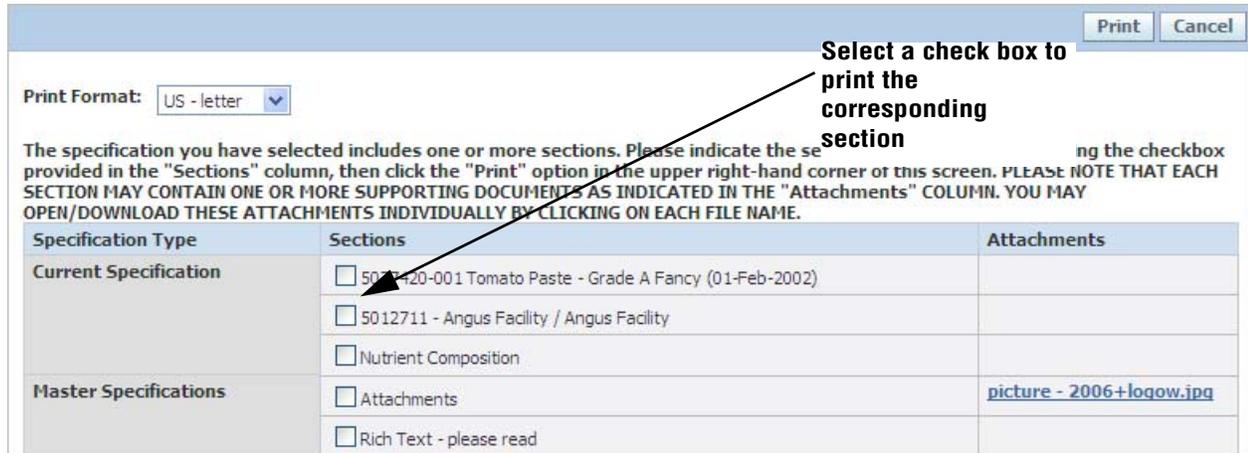
- **Spec Name**—The specification name
- **Source Company**—The company sourcing this specification
- **Source Facility**—The facility sourcing this specification
- **Receiving Facilities**—The facilities that receive this specification
- **Sourcing Approval Status**—The status of the sourcing approval (draft, approved, etc.)
- **Supplier Item #**—The unique material ID assigned by the supplier. The Supplier Item # is found on the sourcing approval.
- **Sourcing Documentation**—The field displays attachments associated with a sourcing approval. It does not include sourcing approval supplier documents.

Publishing Specifications

Printing and Viewing a Specification

The supplier can print a specification. From the Action Items tab or the Specifications tab, the supplier clicks on the Spec Name link to view details about the specification in the Print dialog box, as figure 2-12 shows below.

Figure 2-12: Print dialog box



Information printed from this dialog box reflects the data as it currently exists in GSM. The supplier can decide to print the details of the specification or details about related specifications. In the figure above, the primary specification has several related specifications.

The supplier can also print the shared documents and the associated sourcing approval attached to the specification. Only the sourcing approval that is tied to the supplier registrant will be accessible. The sourcing approval print includes:

- Company Name
- Sourcing Facility Name
- Receiving Facilities grid
- Sourcing Type
- Supplier Item #
- Supplier Signed Info
- Protocol ID
- Class
- Notes
- Cross References grid
- All Custom Data (Extended Attributes and Custom Sections)
- Sourcing Approval Status

Note Attachments and SDM will not be included in print out.

The supplier selects one of the following options from the Print Format drop-down list:

US - letter—Standard U.S. 8x11 inch paper (default)

Europe - A4—Standard international A4 sized paper

Once the supplier has made selections, clicking **Print** generates a document with the selected information from the Print dialog box. The supplier can then print the file as needed.

Access Control and Visibility

The visibility and access control of information in the Supplier Portal is managed at several levels.

Controlling Access

As described earlier in this chapter, a registrant must have an approved user name and a password to access Supplier Portal. In addition, the registrant can only see information about companies or facilities that he or she has been associated with by the Supplier Portal administrator. The registrant can not access information related to other partners and suppliers.

Controlling Visibility

Users working in Global Specification Management (GSM) and Supply Chain Relationship Management (SCRM) have the ability to control the information that the approved registrant can view in Supplier Portal. For GSM specifications to be visible to the supplier, the following criteria have to be met:

- The GSM specification must be in a workflow step on which the System Action is set to “Publish to Supplier” and
- The sourcing approval for that specification must be in a workflow step on which the System Action is set to “Publish to Supplier”

If either of the two conditions is not true, the specification will not be visible on the Supplier Portal.

For more information on workflow steps, refer to the *Agile Product Lifecycle Management for Process Administrator User Guide*.

The following objects’ visibility can be controlled through tags set in GSM:

- Attachments
- %Breakdowns
- Shelf Life
- Custom Sections
- Extended Attributes

See the *Agile Product Lifecycle Management for Process Global Specification Management User Guide* for more details.

Note The ingredient specification’s substitutes grid is not available to the supplier.

Supplier company contacts and facility contacts will be visible in Supplier Portal only if the **Publish to Supplier Portal** field is selected in SCRM. Documents attached to supplier company and facility will be visible in Supplier Portal only if the **Publish to Supplier Portal** field is selected in SCRM. See the *Agile Product Lifecycle Management for Process Supply Chain Relationship Management User Guide* for more details.

Notifying the Supplier

The supplier can be notified when the specification is published to the Supplier Portal. When the tag of “Send Notification to Sourcing Supplier” is added to the sourcing approval’s WFA step, an email will be sent to the supplier when the sourcing approval transitions. See the WFA chapter of the *Agile Product Lifecycle Management for Process Administrator User Guide* for more information.

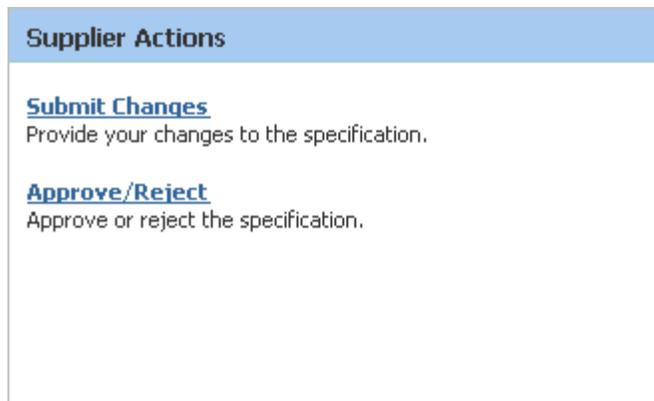
Supplier Actions

Suppliers can use Supplier Portal to approve specifications and initiate changes to a specification.

Approving Specifications

Suppliers can view the specification by clicking the hyperlinked Spec Name field, as described in [Printing and Viewing a Specification](#) on page 2-11. Suppliers can take action on a specification, providing an electronic signature, by clicking the supplier actions icon (). The Suppliers Action dialog box displays, as figure 2-13 shows below.

Figure 2-13: Supplier Actions dialog box



Suppliers can approve or reject a specification by selecting the **Approve/Reject** link. When the Approve/Reject link is selected, the Supplier Actions dialog box closes and the Specification Approval dialog box displays, as figure 2-14 shows below.

Figure 2-14: Specification Approval dialog box

The image shows a dialog box titled "Specification Approval". At the top, there is a blue header bar with the title. Below the header, the text "Approve/Reject" is displayed. A blue arrow icon pointing to the right is centered below this text. Underneath the arrow is a drop-down menu with "Approve" selected. Below the drop-down menu is a text area labeled "Your Comments:" with a vertical scrollbar on the right side.

The supplier enters any comments related to the approval or rejection of the specification in the **Your Comments** field (required), and then chooses from the options in the drop-down field. These options may vary based on your configuration. A simple example would be the following options:

Approve—Approves the specification

Reject—Rejects the specification

Note The name of these options are based on the WFA template step names that contain the tags 'supplier approved' and 'supplier rejected.' Refer to the *Agile Product Lifecycle Management for Process Administrator User Guide* for more information.

The supplier clicks the move step forward icon () to submit the approval or rejection. The specification no longer appears in the Action Items list. Based on the supplier action, the associated sourcing approval will be advanced in its workflow to the specified approved/rejected status. The supplier's comments and action will be captured on the sourcing approval's audit trail tab. If the supplier approved the specification, the sourcing approval's Supplier Signed Spec field will be checked and dated, and comments will be captured.

Sourcing Approval Owner Notification

When the supplier submits accept/reject, the owners of the sourcing approval will be notified by email informing them of the supplier’s actions. (If the owner is a group then all users of that group will be emailed.) The email is configurable and includes the following variables:

- <Approver First Name>
- <Approver Last Name>
- <Approved/Rejected Action>
- <specification Number>
- <specification version number>
- <Specification Name>
- <cross reference system name-equivalent number>
- <Date Stamp>
- < Time Stamp>
- <approver comments>

Note Emails are not sent until a workflow transition occurs.

Sample Email

Table 2-1 below shows a sample email.

Table 2-1: Sample email sent to owner of specification

SUBJECT:
 <Approved/Disapproved Action>: <Specification Name><specification Number>-<specification version number>, <cross reference system name-equivalent number>
 MESSAGE:
 <Approver Supplier First Name><Approver Last Name> <Approved/Disapproved> the specification <Specification Name><specification Number>-<specification version number>, <cross reference system name-equivalent number>) on <Date Stamp> at <Time Stamp>. They included the following comments:
 <comments>
 Sample:
 DISAPPROVED: Chicken Nuggets (50001232-001, SAP - 1254516-02341, ORC - 00034503.)
 John Supplier rejected the specification Chicken Nuggets (50001232-001, SAP - 1254516-02341, ORC - 00034503.) an May 5, 2008 at 3:42pm. They included the following comments:
 The peanut allergen is missing from the specification.

Access Control and Visibility

For the supplier to provide an electronic signature, the following conditions must be met:

- The sourcing approval must be in a status with the “Supplier Review” tag. The sourcing approval workflow template must contain the appropriate supplier approved and supplier rejected tagged statuses.
- Registrants receiving the email that the specification is ready for review must have a valid email address.
- The specification and sourcing approval status must contain the “Publish to Supplier Portal” tag.

For more information on workflow templates, refer to the “Using WFA to Manage SCRM Workflows” chapter in the *Agile Product Lifecycle Management for Process Administrator User Guide*.

Initiating a Questionnaire for a Specification

From the Action Items and/or Specifications tab(s), the supplier can initiate a questionnaire for the associated specification. The supplier clicks on the supplier action icon (). In the Supplier Actions dialog box, shown in figure 2-13, on page 2-14, the supplier clicks on **Submit Changes**.

When the Submit Changes button is selected, a new questionnaire is created, and the eQuestionnaire Welcome page is displayed. The supplier can now login to eQ and fill out the questionnaire. For more information, refer to the *Agile Product Lifecycle Management for Process eQuestionnaire User Guide*. At the same time, an email is sent to the supplier who initiated the questionnaire. This content of this email is configurable. This email contains a link to the questionnaire just created.

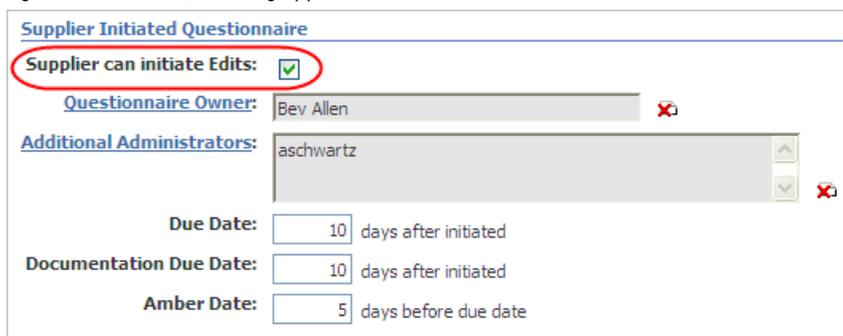
For more information, on questionnaires, refer to the *Agile Product Lifecycle Management for Process eQuestionnaire User Guide*. Refer to the *Agile Product Lifecycle Management for Process Supply Chain Relationship Management User Guide* for more information on sourcing approvals.

Access Control and Visibility

For the supplier to initiate a questionnaire, the following conditions must be met:

- The eQuestionnaire (eQ) application is installed.
- Supplier-initiated questionnaires must be configured on.
- The specification and sourcing approval status must contain the “Publish to Supplier Portal” tag.
- An eQ template needs to be created for each specification type.
- The “Supplier can initiate Edits” field is checked on the sourcing approval, as figure 2-15 shows below.

Figure 2-15: SCRM, sourcing approval



Supplier Initiated Questionnaire

Supplier can initiate Edits:

Questionnaire Owner: Bev Allen 

Additional Administrators: aschwartz  

Due Date: days after initiated

Documentation Due Date: days after initiated

Amber Date: days before due date

Refer to the *Agile Product Lifecycle Management for Process eQuestionnaire User Guide* for more information.

Viewing Supplier and Facility Documents

The Documents tab lists all the shared supplier documents and attachments that are included on company and facility profiles. Documents must be marked as “Publish to Supplier Portal” in SCRM to be displayed.

Figure 2-16 below shows documents attached to the supplier company and facilities.

Figure 2-16: Specifications & Documents page, Documents tab

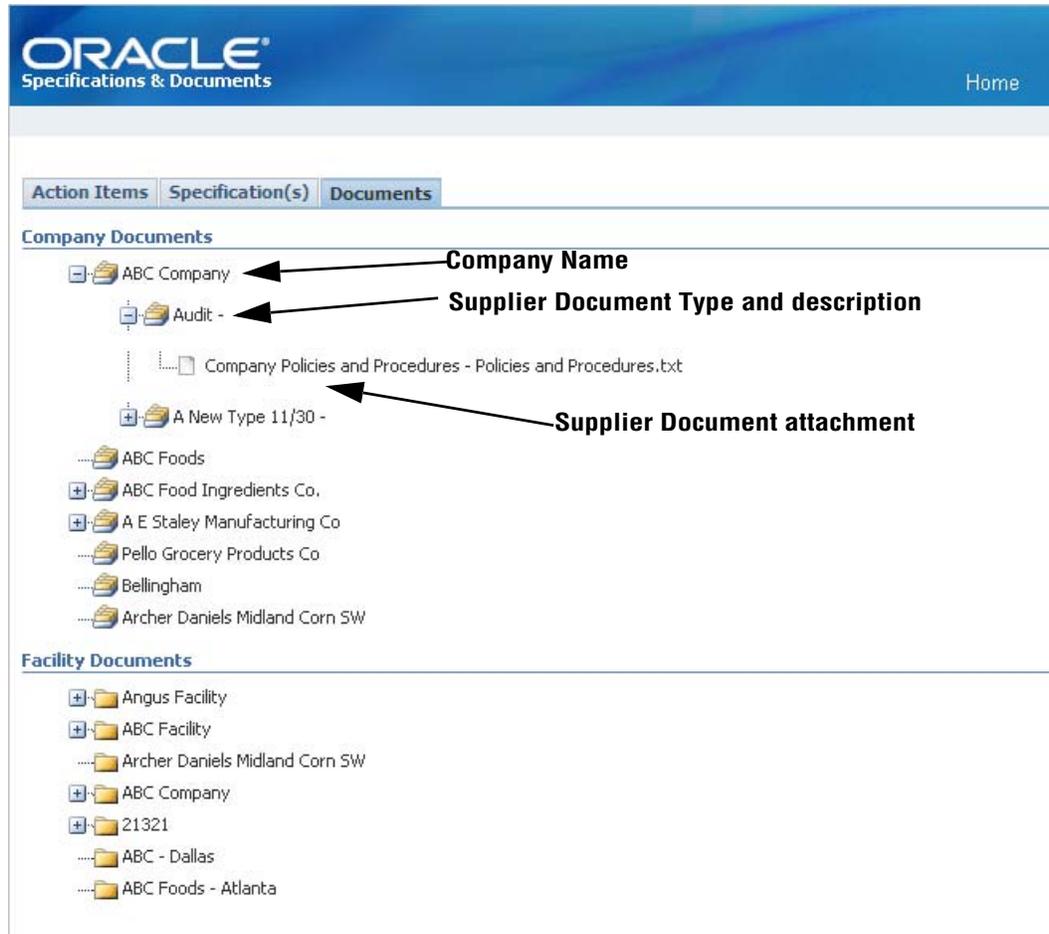


Figure 2-16 above shows the hierarchy of how the documents are stored. The Supplier Document Type feature works much like a folder in that it holds related files in one spot. You can click the expand node icon () to expand the listing, or “open” the folder. Files can be attached independently to a company or facility (as attachments) or can be included in a supplier document. The dashed lines show where the documents are attached. Click any linked file name to open the file.

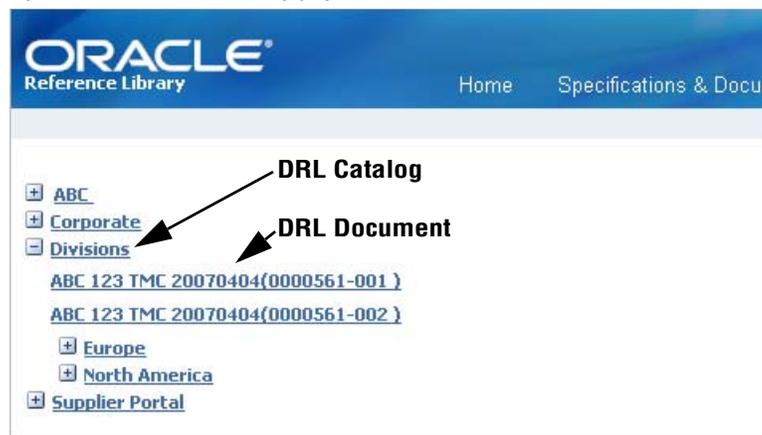
Viewing Document Reference Library

This page shows Document Reference Library (DRL) catalogs and documents available to the supplier. This visibility is set up in SCRM under the DRL Catalog tab on the company profile. The catalogs and documents are set up in DRL. The supplier has access to documents attached in DRL if:

- The document belongs to a document catalog that is associated with the supplier’s company, and
- The document is marked “Publish to Supplier Portal” in the DRL application

The supplier can view the DRL catalogs and the documents in the catalog by clicking the **Reference Library** link. Figure 2-17 below displays the Reference Library page.

Figure 2-17: Reference Library page



A DRL document can have one or more files called attachments. Clicking the DRL document name will display the DRL document’s identifying information and all of its attachments, as shown in figure 2-18 below.

Figure 2-18: DRL document detail

Document Name: ABC 123 20070404		
Document Number: 0000561-001		
Attachments		
Title	File Name	File Size
title	2.5k Character Document.doc	34816k

The supplier can click on an individual attachment to view or print it.

Refer to the *Agile Product Lifecycle Management for Process Document Reference Library User Guide* for more details on DRL. Refer to the *Agile Product Lifecycle Management for Process Supply Chain Relationship Management User Guide* for more details on SCRM.

Displaying Your Company and Facility Contacts to a Supplier

Clicking the **Contacts** link from the Home page displays the Contacts page shown in figure 2-19 below. This page displays all facilities tied to a business unit.

Note The Contact link displays on the Home page only if it is configured on. For more information on this feature, refer to the BUFacilitySearchPattern configuration key described in the *Agile Product Lifecycle Management for Process Configuration Guide*.

Select a business unit from the drop-down list and click **Search**. All facilities within that business unit are displayed.

Figure 2-19: Contacts page

Facility #	Facility Name	Company Name	City	State/Province	Country
5011700	ABC - Dallas	ABC Foods	Dallas	TX	USA
5012313	ABC Company	ABC Company	Dallas	Florida	USA
5011205	ABC Facility	ABC Company	Dallas	TX	USA
5011701	ABC Foods - Atlanta	ABC Foods	Atlanta	GA	USA
5010719	Anqus Facility	Pello Grocery Products Co			USA

Select a facility from the Facility Name column. Supplier Portal displays the Facility Information dialog box shown in figure 2-20 below.

Figure 2-20: Facility Information dialog box

Facility Information

Facility Information

Company Name: [International Flavors & Spice Blending](#)
Facility #: 5010684
Facility Name: International Flavors & Spice Blending - Carrollton
Street Address 1: 4620 W. Crosby
Street Address 2:
City: Carrollton
State/Province: TX
Postal Code:
Country: USA
Website:

Facility Contacts

Contact Name	Category	Phone	Fax	Email
John Smith	Shipping	555-234-4353		john@smith.com
Beverly Smith	R&D	555-111-2222	555-333-4444	beverlysmith@company.com

Company Contacts

Contact Name	Category	Phone	Fax	Email
Sally Company				salle@company.com

This page displays contact information for the facility as defined in SCRM. Click the linked company name to display the Company Information dialog box shown in figure 2-21 below.

Figure 2-21: Company Information dialog box

Company Information

Company #: 5010661
Company Name: International Flavors & Spice Blending
Street Address 1: 4620 W. Crosby
Street Address 2:
City: Carrollton
State/Province: TX
Postal Code: 75006-6656
Country: USA
Website:

Contacts for the facility and the facility's parent company are displayed in the Facility Contacts and Company Contacts sections. Click on any contact name to view contact information in the Contact Information dialog box, shown in figure 2-22 below.

Note Contacts have to be flagged as “Publish to Supplier Portal” in SCRM to be listed here.

Figure 2-22: Contact Information dialog box

The image shows a dialog box titled "Contact Information" with a light blue header. The dialog box contains the following fields and values:

First Name:	Beverly
Last Name:	Smith
Category:	R&D
Job Title:	Manager
Phone:	555-111-2222
Mobile/Pager:	555-222-3333
Fax:	555-333-4444
Email:	beverlysmith@company.com
Street Address 1:	4620 W. Crosby
Street Address 2:	
City:	Carrollton
State/Province:	TX
Postal Code:	
Country:	USA
Emergency Contact:	<input type="checkbox"/>

Managing Supplier Contact Information

Supplier contact information can be shared from the Supply Chain Relationship Management (SCRM) application. If the contact information is shared, the supplier can view and manage that information from Supplier Portal.

The manage contact feature enables suppliers to manage their contact information and keep it accurate on an ongoing basis.

Clicking the **Administration** link displays the Administration page shown in figure 2-23 below.

Note The Administration link displays only if the contact has at least one associated supplier. This association is made in Supplier Portal Administration (SPA).

Figure 2-23: Administration page, Manage Your Contact Information



In SCRM, contacts can be assigned at both the company and facility level. The supplier sees all the companies and facilities he or she has been assigned to. This page lists all of the contacts that are set to be published to the supplier. The contacts are listed by company and further filtered by facility.

The supplier selects the company name to see the company contacts located on the company profile, or selects the facility name to see the facility contacts located on the facility profile.

Refer to *Using Supplier Portal Administration* on page 3-1 for more information on how an administrator associates a supplier to a contact. The supplier can click on either a supplier's company or a facility name to view the associated contacts. Figure 2-24 below shows the summary page for the selected company or facility.

Figure 2-24: Summary page for selected company or facility

The screenshot shows the Oracle Administration interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the Oracle logo and the word 'Administration'. The navigation menu includes: Home, Specifications & Documents, Reference Library, Reference Library, Contacts, Administration, and Log Out. The user is identified as 'John Thomas - ABC Company' with a 'Done' button next to it.

The main content area is titled 'Company / Facility Info' and contains the following details for 'ABC Food Ingredients Co.':

- Name:** ABC Food Ingredients Co.
- Street Address 1:** P O Box 22360
- Street Address 2:** 55555
- City:** Sandia
- State/Province:** CA
- Postal Code:** 95333
- Country:** USA
- Website:** www
- Phone:** 555
- Fax:** 555
- Postal Address:**
- City:**
- State/Province:**
- Zip Code:** 95333
- Country:**

Below this information is a 'Contacts' section with a table:

Name	Title	Category	Phone	Mobile/Page	Email	
Jan Smith	Product Developer	Business Contact, R&D, Audit, Remittance, Corporate QA, A Test ABC	111-111-1111	888-888-8888	jan.smith@abceast.com	
Dan Tyler	VP of QA	Plant QA	555-123-4567		dan.tyler@abceast.com	

Below the table, there is a page indicator '1' and an 'Add New' button.

The supplier has several options for managing contacts:

- Clicking the name link displays the details about the supplier contact.
- Clicking the delete icon () deletes the contact.
- Clicking **Add New** displays the Contact Information page, shown in figure 2-25 below. The supplier creates a new contact using this page.
- Clicking the **Done** button saves changes made to the contact.

Note When a new contact is added to Supplier Portal, the contact is added to the corresponding company or facility in SCRM.

The Contact Information dialog box provides contact details, as shown in figure 2-25 below.

Figure 2-25: Contact Information page with contact information populated automatically

The screenshot shows a web form titled "Contact Information" with a header bar containing "Save", "Save & Close", and "Cancel" buttons. The form is divided into two sections: "Contact Information" and "Additional Notes".

Contact Information Section:

- First Name:** Jan
- Last Name:** Smith
- Contact Category:** Business Contact, R&D, Audit Remittance, Corporate QA, A Test ABC
- Job Title:** Product Developer
- Phone:** 111-111-1111
- Mobile/Pager:** 888-888-8888
- Fax:** 777-777-7777
- Email:** jansmith@prodika.com
- Street Address:** 1928 River Street. Below this is a sub-field containing "35 Floor". To the right of the main address field is a link labeled "« Import" with an arrow pointing to it from the text "Click here to display available addresses".
- City:** Sandia
- State/Province:** CA
- Postal Code:** 95333
- Country:** USA
- Emergency Contact:**
- Emergency Phone:** 444-444-4444

Additional Notes Section:

- Description:** Jan's the new manager

The address of the contact can be imported from other addresses stored in the system. Clicking the **Import** link displays the dialog box shown in figure 2-26. The dialog box displays addresses that are associated with this supplier. The supplier can click one of the addresses to use that address.

Figure 2-26: Contact addresses



Using Supplier Portal Administration

This chapter describes how an administrator uses Supplier Portal Administration. It includes the following topics:

- ❑ *Accessing Supplier Portal Administration*
- ❑ *Processing New Registration Requests*
- ❑ *Managing Approved Registrations*
- ❑ *Managing Rejected Registrations*
- ❑ *Managing Deactivated Registrations*

Accessing Supplier Portal Administration

Note This chapter is written for company administrators who use Supplier Portal Administration (SPA) to manage suppliers who register for and use Supplier Portal.

Company administrators use the Supplier Portal Administration (SPA) application to control access to Supplier Portal. The SPA menu choices represent administrative tasks associated with Supplier Portal registrations, as figure 3-1 shows below:

Figure 3-1: Menu choices



The following menu choices are available:

- **New Registrations**—Use this option to manage requests from users wanting to access Supplier Portal for the first time.
- **Approved Registrations**—Use this option to manage all approved users.

- **Rejected Registrations**—Use this option to manage all users who were not approved.
- **Deactivated Registrations**—Use this option to manage users who were once approved and are now deactivated.

Processing New Registration Requests

When a supplier requests access to Supplier Portal, a new registration request is created in SPA. The New Registrations page lists registrants waiting for approval, as shown in figure 3-2 below.

Figure 3-2: New Registrations page

New Registrations

Results Per Page ▼

Click any column heading to sort by that column

<u>Name</u>	<u>Company</u>	<u>Login</u>	<u>Registered</u>
Baker, Thomas	Walker Industries	tbaker	04/25/2008
Fredricks, Sally	Bridgeport Packing	sfredricks	04/21/2008
Cunningham, George	For the Season Spices	gcunningham	04/02/2008
Allan, Rodney	ABC Company	rallan	03/23/2008
Greg, Karee	ForrestRidge	kgreg	03/15/2008
Wells, Ginger	Tyson Foods, Inc.	gwells	02/12/2008
Walker, Angela	Walker Industries	awalker	02/08/2008
Simmons, Jack	Tyson Foods, Inc.	jsimmons	01/16/2008
Tucker, Joeseeph	Bridgeport Packing	jtucker	12/10/2007
Burton, Mitch	ABC Company	mburton	12/03/2007

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 ...

Supplier Representative Editor Page

Clicking the hypertext name link located in the gray shaded area displays the registration request on the Supplier Representative Editor page, as shown in figure 3-3 below.

Figure 3-3: Supplier Representative Editor page

[Edit](#)

Supplier Representative Editor

Company Information | **Contact Information** | **Status/Actions**

Company Information

Company Name: ABC Manufacturing
Website: abcmanufacturing.com
Street Address 1: 100 Main Street
Street Address 2:
City: Anytown
State/Province: TX
Postal Code: 70000
Country: USA
Phone: 555-111-2222
Fax: 555-111-3333

Associated Companies

Company (Prodika#)	Company Name
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Associated Facilities

Facility (Prodika#)	Facility Name	Company Name
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The administrator uses the three tabs on this page to review and approve the registrant.

Company Information Tab

The Company Information tab displays all the company information that the registrant supplied. The administrator can use this page to update the company information if necessary. Note that the new registrant is not yet associated with any company or facility in SCRM.

Associated Companies and Associated Facilities are key fields. The administrator uses these fields to tie a supplier to companies or facilities. Doing so affects what data the supplier will see inside Supplier Portal.

Click **Edit** to open the page in edit mode.

Assigning Companies or Facilities to a Supplier Portal User

For a registrant to be able to view specifications and contact information in Supplier Portal, he must be associated with one or more companies or facilities. The Associated Companies section contains a table with associated companies; the Associated Facilities section contains a table with associated facilities.

The administrator clicks **Add New** under either table to assign a company or facility to the registrant. This action displays the standard search page. The administrator selects one or more companies or facilities, then clicks **Done**.

Note If a facility is assigned to a registrant, only the specifications, documents and contacts for that facility will be available for viewing. If a company is assigned to the registrant, data for all facilities belonging to that company will be available for viewing.

Added companies and facilities are displayed in the Associated Companies and Associated Facilities sections, as shown in figure 3-4.

Figure 3-4: Company Information tab with associated company and facility

Supplier Representative Editor

Company Information
Contact Information
Status/Actions

Company Information

Company Name:
Website:
Street Address 1:
Street Address 2:
City:
State/Province:
Postal Code:
Country:
Phone:
Fax:

Associated Companies

Company (Prodika#)	Company Name	
5011204	ABC Company	✖

Associated Facilities

Facility (Prodika#)	Facility Name	Company Name	
5011701	ABC Foods - Atlanta	ABC Foods	✖

Clicking the delete icon (✖) removes the associated company or facility.

Contact Information Tab

The Contact Information tab, shown in figure 3-5, displays the contact information that the registrant has provided.

Figure 3-5: Contact tab with registrant information in edit mode

The screenshot shows a web interface for editing contact information. At the top right are three buttons: 'Save', 'Save & Close', and 'Cancel'. Below them is the title 'Supplier Representative Editor' and three tabs: 'Company Information', 'Contact Information' (which is selected), and 'Status/Actions'. Under the 'Contact Information' tab, there is a section titled 'Contact Information' with a 'Contact Search Enabled' checkbox checked. Below this are several input fields for personal and contact details.

First Name:	John
Last Name:	Thomas
User Name:	thomas
Email:	jthomas@abcmanuf.com
Street Address 1:	100 Main Street
Street Address 2:	
City:	Anytown
State/Province:	TX
Postal Code:	70000
Country:	USA
Phone:	555-111-2222
Fax:	555-111-3333

The user name is automatically generated by the system. The administrator can change the user name if needed.

Status/Actions Tab

The Status/Actions tab, shown in figure 3-6, displays the current status of the registrant. This tab has three sections:

- **Next Action**—Shows the actions possible on this user at this time. The administrator can either approve or reject a new request by clicking the appropriate button. The system sends an email if the registrant is approved.
- **Current Status**—Displays the time stamp when the request was made and the status of the user request.
- **Event History**—Displays events that have been performed.

Figure 3-6: Status/Actions tab

Supplier Representative Editor

Company Information
Contact Information
Status/Actions

Next Action

This action will approve the submitted application and enable the user to log into the Vendor Portal

This action will reject the submitted application and not allow the user to log into the Vendor Portal

Current Status

Registration Date: 10/1/2008 11:05 AM
Current Status: New

Event History

Event	User	Time
Added Company - ABC Company	Sarah Adams	10/7/2008 12:35 PM
Added Facility - ABC Foods - Atlanta	Sarah Adams	10/7/2008 12:38 PM

If the administrator clicks **Approve**, the current status will change to “Approved” and an event will be added to Event History. On approval, an email will be sent to the registrant, informing him that his account is now active.

At this point, the registration request will no longer be visible on the New Registrations page.

If the administrator clicks **Reject**, the current status will change to “Rejected” and an event will be added to Event History.

At this point, the registration request will no longer be visible on the New Registrations page and will be visible on the Rejected Registrations page.

The administrator must click **Save** or **Save & Close** for the changes to take effect.

Managing Approved Registrations

The Approved Registrations page displays all of the registrants that have been approved to access Supplier Portal, as figure 3-7 shows below.

Figure 3-7: Approved Registrations page

Approved Registrations			
Results Per Page <input type="text" value="10"/> <input type="button" value="v"/>			
Name	Company	Login	Approved
Zwick, Donna	Best Company	zwickd	5/28/2008 9:55:03 PM
Zimmerman, Robert	ABC	zimmermanr	5/28/2008 7:58:47 PM
Dennis, Rebecca	Right Foods, Inc.	dennisr	5/6/2008 2:27:21 PM
Jones, Rachel	RJ Singapore Pte Ltd	jonesrac	2/6/2008 2:17:53 PM
Peters, Scott	HF Company	peterss	2/6/2008 2:09:19 PM
Brown, Karen	XYZ Company	brownkar	2/6/2008 2:08:32 PM
Peters, Dan	LBK Oranges	petersd	2/6/2008 2:07:52 PM
Ramirez, Paul	KPJ Georgia Peanut Company	ramirezp	2/6/2008 2:06:15 PM
Anderson, Joy	Best Company	andersonj	12/20/2007 2:19:09 PM
Knight, Ben	Best Company	knightb	12/20/2007 2:17:07 PM
1 2 3 4			

To obtain more information about the registrant, the administrator can click on the first and last name link on the Approved Registrations page. The Supplier Representative Editor page displays, as described on pages page 3-2 through page 3-6. The administrator clicks **Edit** to edit information on this page. Figure 3-8 shows the page in edit mode.

Figure 3-8: Supplier Representative Editor page in edit mode

Supplier Representative Editor

Company Information
Contact Information
Status/Actions

Next Action

This action will deactivate the registered user and disable them from logging into the Vendor Portal

Current Status

Registration Date: 5/8/2006 2:51 PM
Current Status: Approved

Event History

Event	User	Time
Approved	John Smith	5/10/2006 6:14 PM
Added Company - ABC Company	John Smith	11/29/2007 10:17 AM
Added Company - ABC Foods	John Smith	11/29/2007 10:17 AM

To deactivate a registrant, the administrator clicks **Deactivate**, then **Save**. A deactivated user can no longer access Supplier Portal and will not be visible on the Approved Registrations page. The registrant will be visible on the Deactivated Registrations page.

Managing Rejected Registrations

The Rejected Registrations page displays all of the registrants who have been rejected access to Supplier Portal, as figure 3-9 shows below:

Figure 3-9: Rejected Registrations page

Rejected Registrations

Results Per Page

Name	Company	Login	Rejected
Wright, Kevin	BT Food Services	wrightke	2/4/2008 2:09:33 PM
Brown, Joe	ABC	brownj	9/6/2007 4:08:44 PM
Tucker, Mary	BT Food Services	tuckerm	9/5/2007 3:19:51 PM
Davids, Lisa	westview labeling	davidsl	8/24/2007 5:14:09 PM
1			

The administrator clicks on the first and last name link to view more information about the registrant. The Supplier Representative Editor page displays, as described on pages page 3-2 through page 3-6. The administrator clicks **Edit** to edit information on this page, as shown in figure 3-10 below:

Figure 3-10: Supplier Representative Editor page in edit mode

Supplier Representative Editor

Company Information
Contact Information
Status/Actions

Next Action

This action will approve the submitted application and enable the user to log into the Vendor Portal

Current Status

Registration Date: 8/31/2006 4:32 PM
 Current Status: Rejected

Event History

Event	User	Time
Rejected	John Smith	9/6/2007 4:08 PM

To activate the rejected registrant, the administrator clicks **Approve**, and then **Save**. Once approved, the registrant will be able to access the Supplier Portal site. The registrant will no longer be visible on the Rejected Registrations page and will be visible on the Approved Registrations page.

Managing Deactivated Registrations

The Deactivated Registrations page displays all of the registrants that have been deactivated. Deactivated registrants are users that do not have access to Supplier Portal. Deactivated registrants were active users at one time. Figure 3-11 shows the Deactivated Registrations page.

Figure 3-11: Deactivated Registrations page

Deactivated Registrations

Results Per Page

<u>Name</u>	<u>Company</u>	<u>Login</u>	<u>Deactivated</u>
Miller, Gary	Global Foods	gmiller	2/4/2008 11:57:30 AM

The administrator clicks on first and last name link to obtain more information about the registrant. The Supplier Representative Editor page displays, as described on pages page 3-2 through page 3-6. The administrator clicks **Edit** to edit information on these tabs, as shown in figure 3-12 below.

Figure 3-12: Supplier Representative Editor page in edit mode

Supplier Representative Editor

Company Information
Contact Information
Status/Actions

Next Action

This action will reactivate the registered user and enable them to log into the Vendor Portal

Current Status

Registration Date: 5/17/2007 3:29 PM
Current Status: Deactivated

Event History

Event	User	Time
Approved	John Smith	5/17/2007 3:32 PM
Added Company - ABC Foods	John Smith	5/17/2007 9:23 PM
Deactivated	John Smith	9/13/2007 10:26 AM
Reactivated	John Smith	9/13/2007 10:26 AM
Deactivated	John Smith	9/13/2007 10:26 AM

To activate the user, the administrator clicks **Reactivate**, then **Save**. Once reactivated, a user will be able to access the Supplier Portal site. The user will no longer be visible on the Rejected Registrations page and will be visible on the Approved Registrations page.