# PLM Sync

Solving the Problem of Syncing Data between PLM Systems

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**PRODUCT** 

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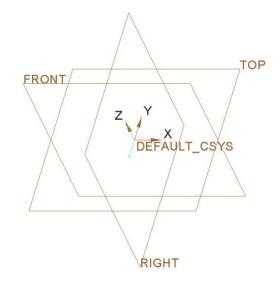
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#### Presenters Bio – David Pessin - Professional

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#### Professional

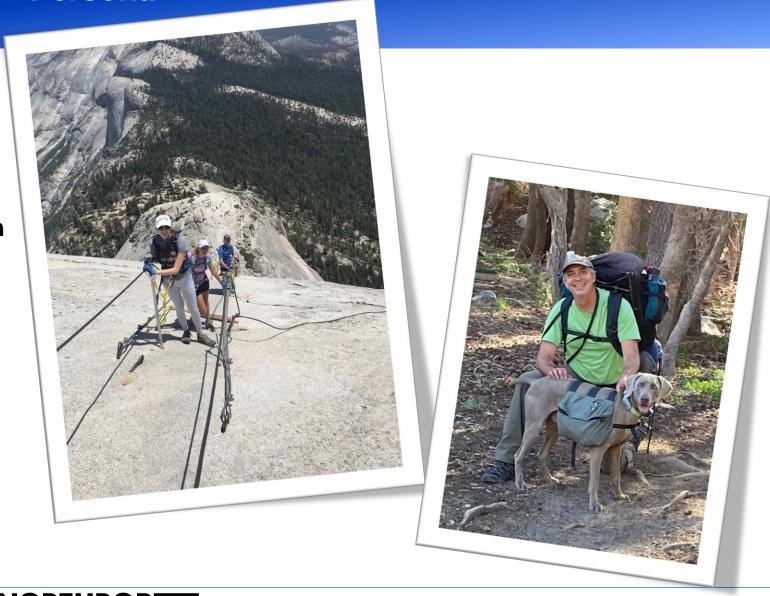
- Consulting Engineer with 20+ years at Northrop Grumman (NGC)
- Work in the Aeronautics Systems sector (NGAS)
- Specialized in Product Lifecycle Management (PLM)
- Former Design Engineer
- First NGC Program: Global Hawk
- Native CAD Tool: Pro/Engineer





**Presenters Bio – David Pessin - Personal** 

- Big things I am proud of
  - Son of Jim and Kathy Pessin
  - Married to Karen Pessin
  - Father of Maya and Alissa Pessin
- Cool things I have done
  - Ran a Marathon (once)
  - Climbed Half Dome (twice)
- Hobbies
  - Hiking & Camping
  - Playing Guitar and Bass
  - Brewing Beer and Cider
    - "Tasting" Beer and Cider!



#### **Outline**

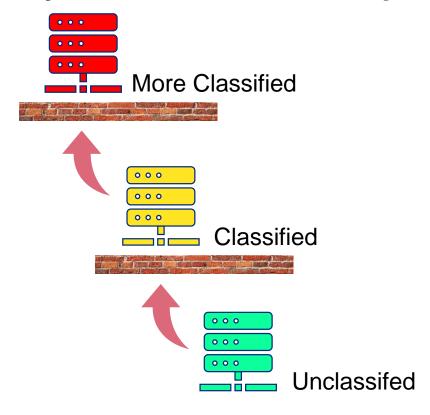


- 1. The Problem Keeping data synced between multiple PLM systems
- 2. NGAS/eQ Technologic "PLM Sync" Solution
  - How PLM Sync works
  - Extract Move Import
- 3. The Journey Isn't Over
  - Hurdles and Challenges
  - Production Status
  - Future Opportunities

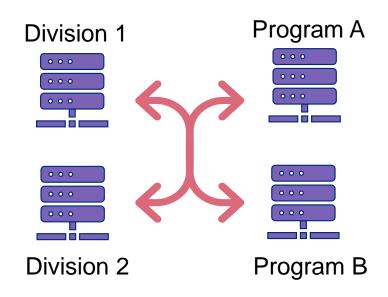


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#### Why would there be multiple PLM systems?



PLMs at different Classification Levels



Multiple PLMs from Legacy divisions or Programs



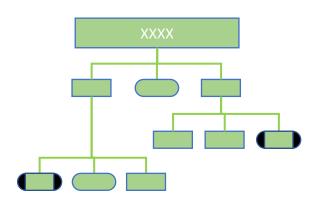
One PLM for Contractor...
One PLM for Customer





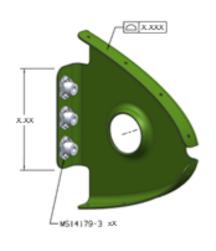
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#### What types of data need to be Sync?

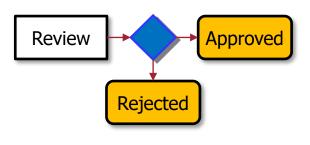


**Product Structure** 





CAD



**Workflow Data** 

### Need to Sync Objects, Relationships, and Files

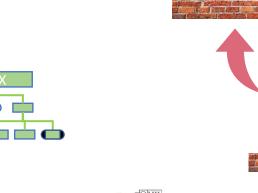


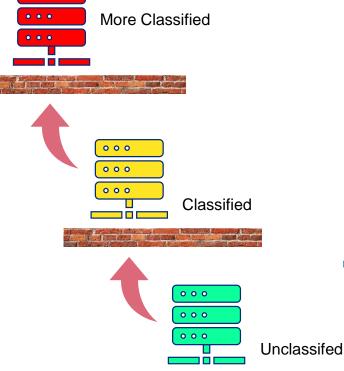


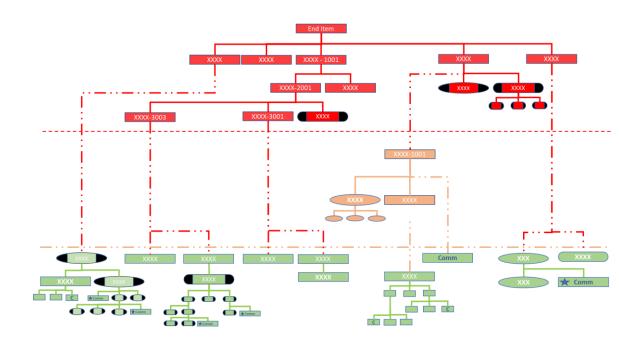
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#### **Scenarios that require PLM Sync**

"I need to consume my Unclassified Parts into my Classified Assemblies and keep the data in Sync



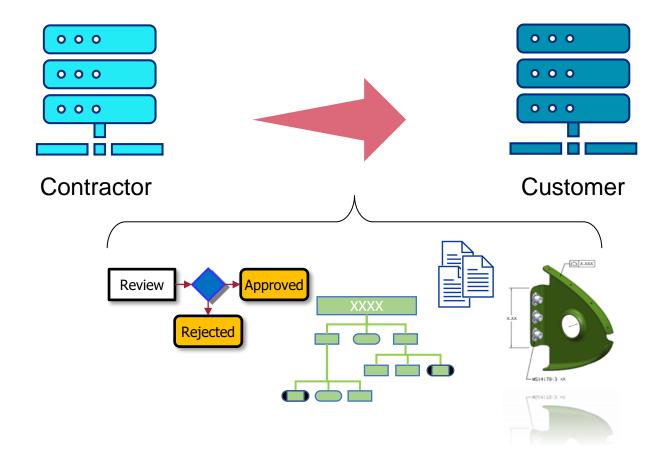




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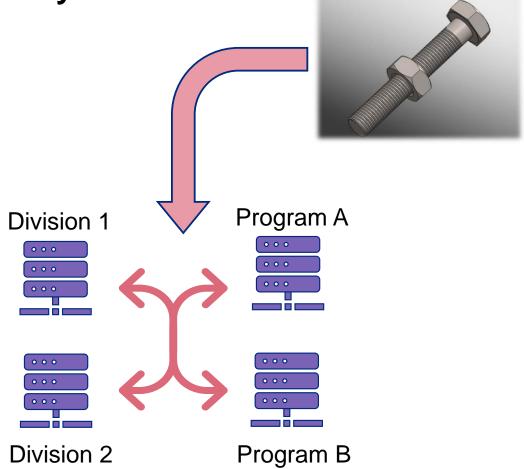
"I want send data to my customer and let them review in their system"



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#### **Scenarios that require PLM Sync**

"I want to share my Standards data among different databases and keep them in sync"





#### The Problem – Keeping data synced between multiple systems

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#### Other Considerations

- Is Digitally Connected?
  - Or... Is the Digital Thread Unbroken?
- Is there one Master?
  - Or... Is the ASOT clear?
- Can the Secondary data be modified independent of the Master?
- When the Master data gets updated, can the Secondary data get updated?
- Can I switch the Master?

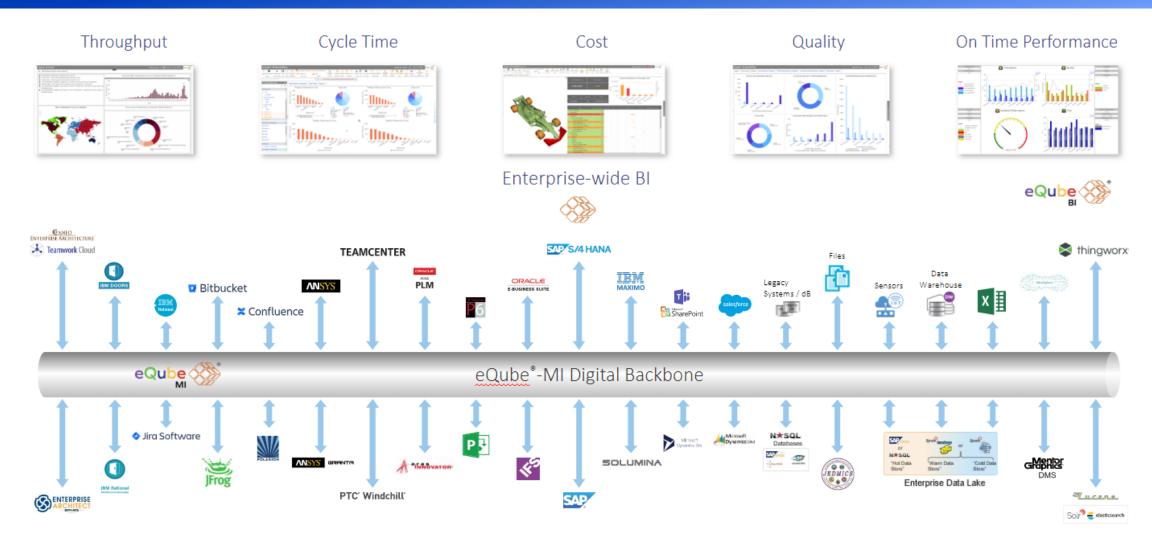




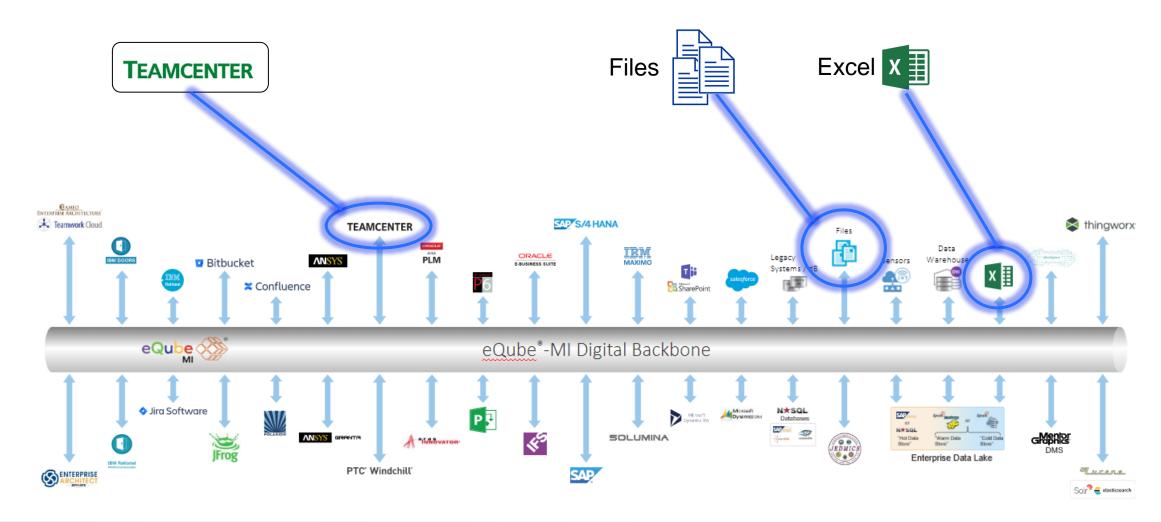
### NGAS's Solution: PLM Sync: A custom, eQube-MI based tool



#### eQube - MI

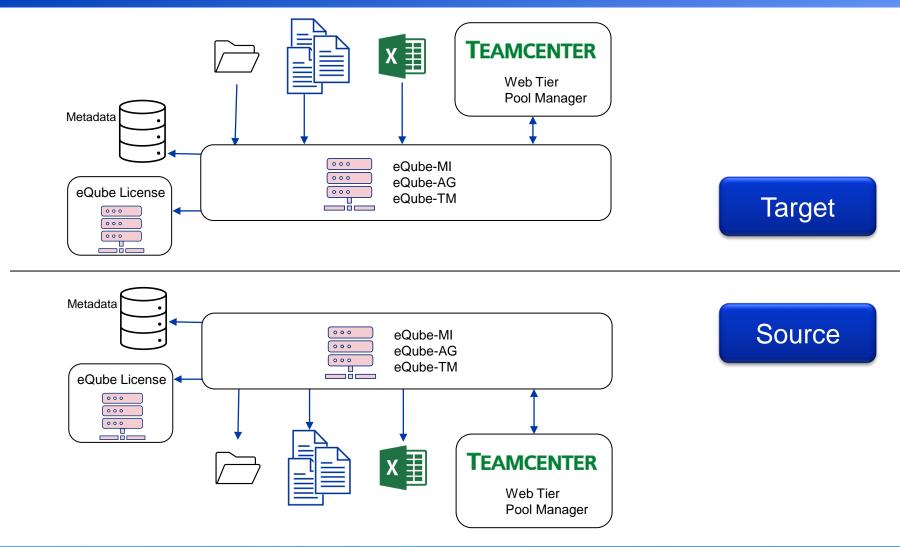


#### eQube - MI

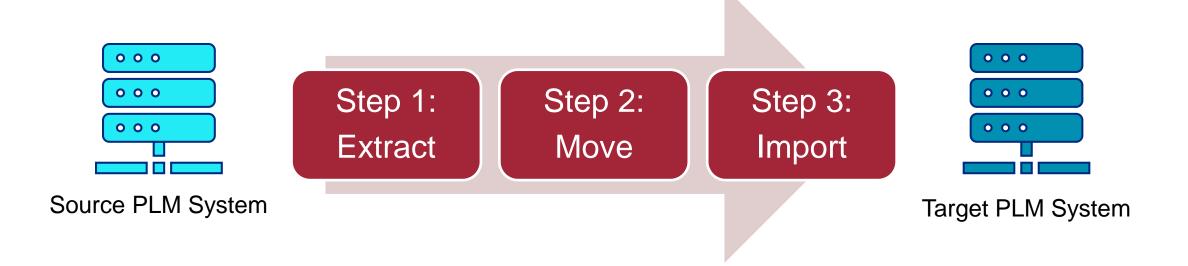




#### PLM Sync – eQube Deployment Architecture



#### PLM Sync – the Simple View

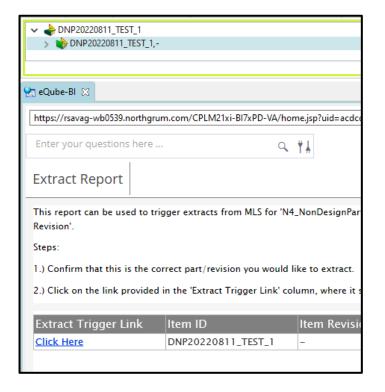


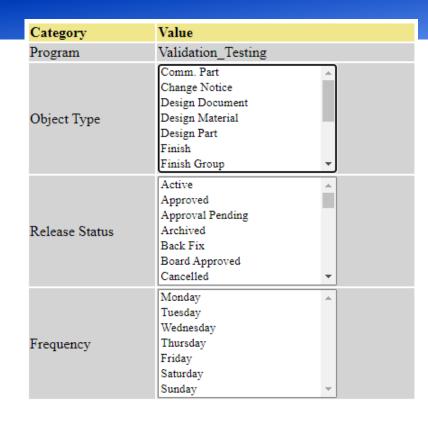
### **PLM Sync - Extract**

#### **CPLM Sync – 3 Triggers Extract**

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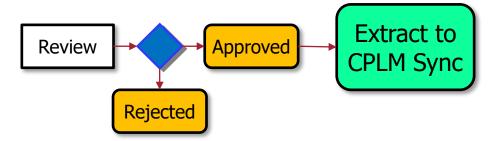
#### Adhoc



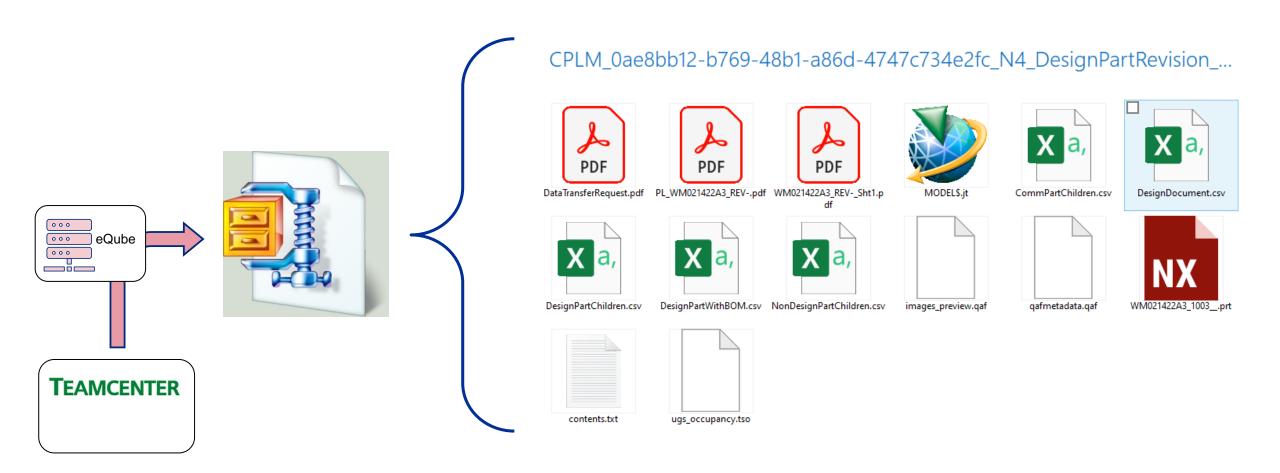


#### **Schedule**

#### Workflow



#### **PLM Sync - Extracted Data**

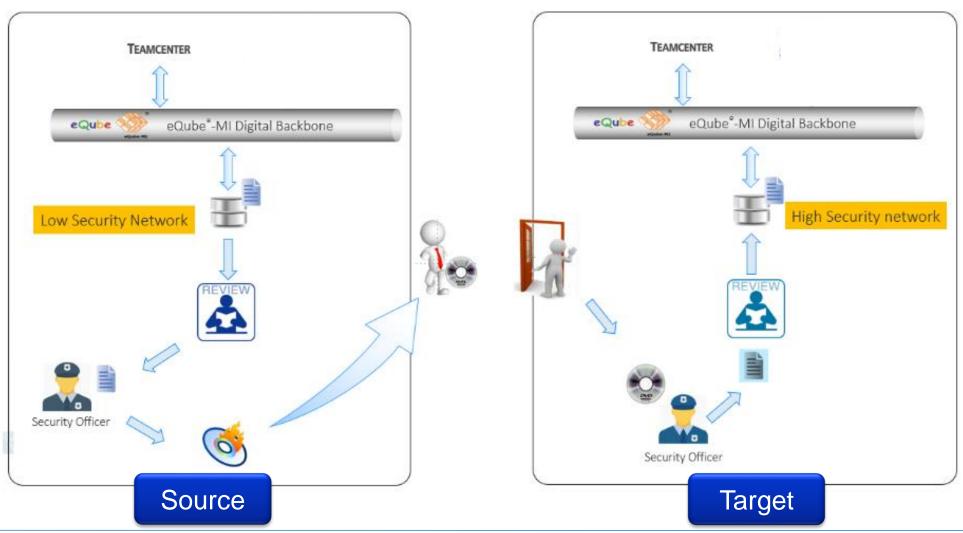


**PLM Sync - Move** 



It's Very Manual....

#### **Example Flow syncing across different security networks**

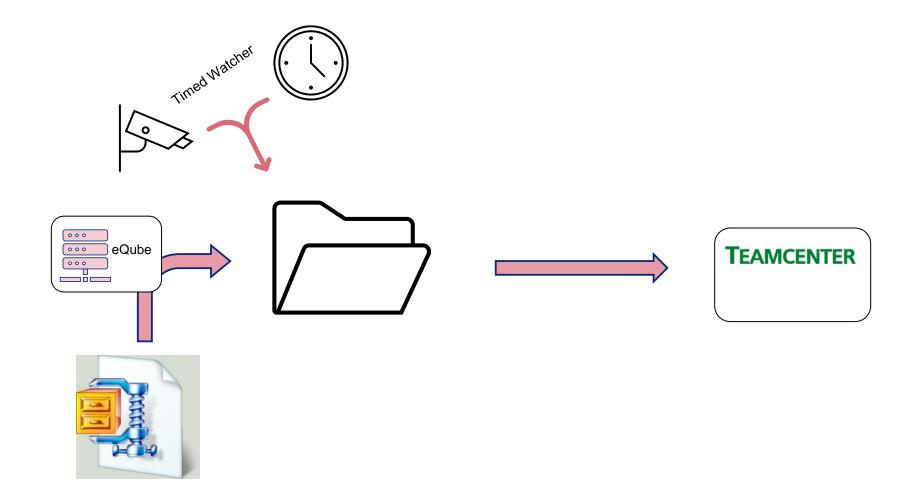




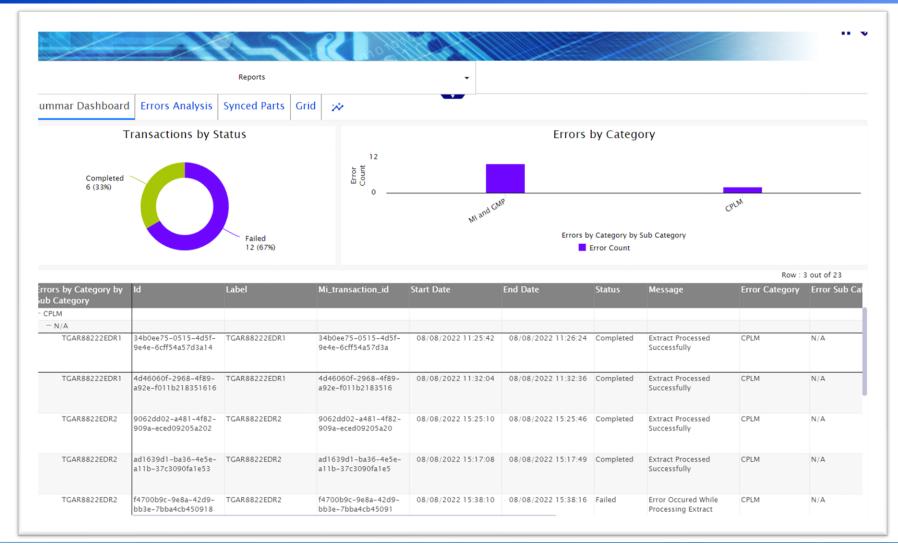
**PLM Sync - Import** 



#### PLM Sync – Import Data



#### **PLM Sync – Import Dashboard**



#### PLM Sync – Import Data



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#### Synced Data is same in Source System as Target System... Except:

 Synced data is owned by a different Group



Data is locked from editing in Target Environment

 The attribute "Owning Site" is populated with name of the Source System



Data is identified as "Non-Master" and identifies where the Master is

Normally Owning Site = null



### The Journey Isn't Over



#### **The Journey - Hurdles and Challenges**

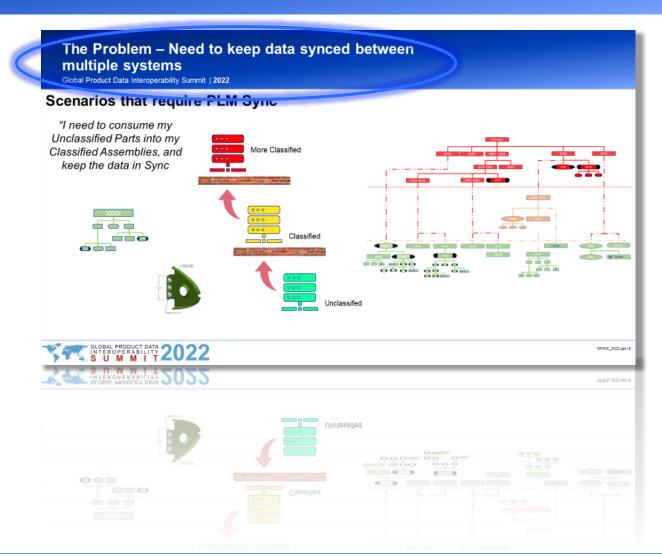
- Maintaining Environments for testing
  - "1 + 1 > 2"
- Evolving Requirements
- Complexity and idiosyncrasies of "real" data
- Working with Security to move lots of data often

#### **The Journey – Production Status**

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#### #1 Scenario

- Keep Data Synced between environment in different Classification Levels
- Deployed into Production
- Many of the expected struggles and hurdles are realized
- Working on improving stability and reducing errors
- Critically important to succeed
- It will succeed
- #2 Scenario
  - Sync data to Customer



#### The Journey – Future Opportunities

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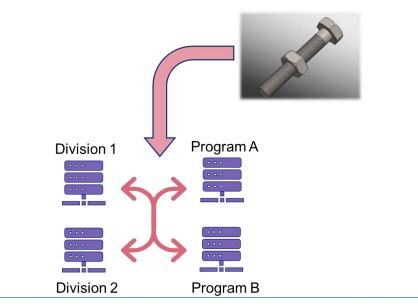
- Syncing of Standard Parts (and other standard data)
  - NGC has numerous production systems that all hold a lot of the same standards data
  - Managed by multiple teams

Part Status	Initiate Sync	Transaction Status					
Part Number		Nomenclature	Status in Instance (Master, Subject, Does Not Exist)				
		Nomenciatare	NGPLM	CPLM (U)	CPLM NGPCN (SC)	TcUA (U)	MPLM (I
NAS1149FN216P		WASHER, FLAT	M	S	S	S	S
NAS1150FN232P		WASHER, FLAT	M	S	S	S	DNE
NAS1151FN316P		WASHER, FLAT	M	DNE	DNE	DNE	DNE
NAS1152FN332P		WASHER, FLAT	M	S	S	M	DNE
NAS1153F	N416P	WASHER, FLAT	S	S	S	S	M

Vision...

Standards data from all PLM systems monitored, managed, and synced

A user-friendly dashboard that shows the status of data in each system and enables management of synced data









#### **Summary – PLM Sync**

- The ability to keep data in sync between PLM systems applies to many scenarios
- The NGAS / eQ Technologic solution is going to be awesome
- Never as simple as it seems



# Questions??

