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5. Introduction – Customer/Vendor File

The Customer/Vendor Update program provides the functions for maintaining the Customer/Vendor file. Included in the Customer file is the following information per customer account:

- Account number
- Name
- Accounts receivable
- Credit limit
- Billing terms
- Service charge totals
- PO Required
- Tax Percentage
- Salesman Code
- COD Status
- Report Codes
- Customer's pricing matrix
- Taxing status
- Sales analysis information (24 months)
- Billing & shipping addresses
- Phone numbers (3)
- Exception pricing matrix
- State Tax Code
- Vendor/Customer Status Code
- Backorder Status
- Statement Status
- Month On Systems

All customer records are instantly updated through point of sale invoicing and month end programs.

The vendor information available includes the following:

- Account number
- Name
- Billing & shipping addresses
- Phone numbers (3)
- Accounts payable
- Product lines supplied

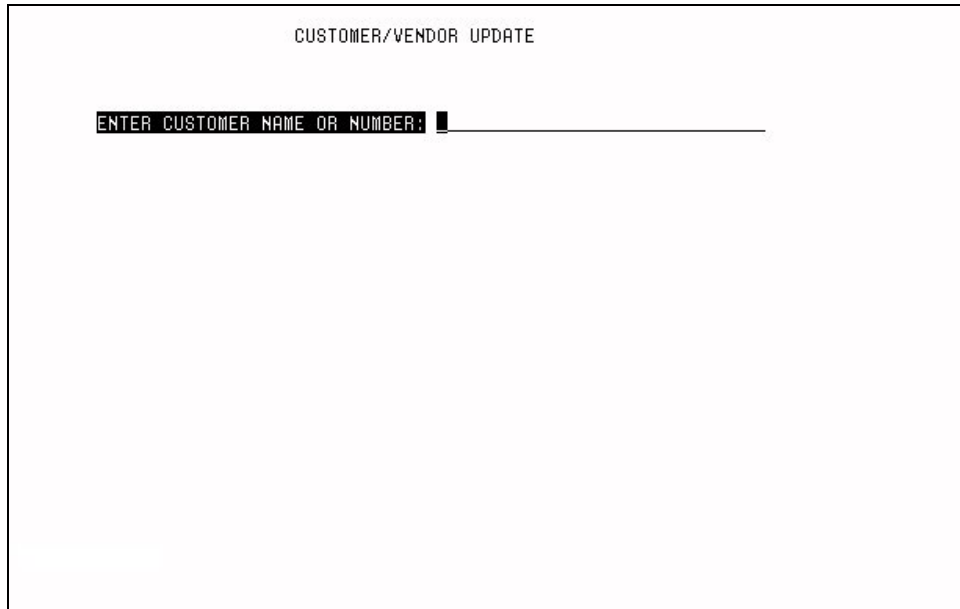
The vendor records are updated through the apply receipts mode within point of sale and also the purchasing program.

This chapter of the User's Manual will aid and instruct in the correct method of creating or modifying customer and vendor records. In addition, it explains the use and design of salesman codes, report codes, state tax codes, discounting terms and the customer's standard and exception pricing matrixes.

5.1 Accessing & Viewing A Customer Record

- From the *Autologue Main Menu*, enter **3** (*Customer/Vendor File*) and press **<Return>**.

The *Customer/Vendor Update* screen will now be displayed as shown:



CUSTOMER/VENDOR UPDATE

ENTER CUSTOMER NAME OR NUMBER:

The prompt **ENTER CUSTOMER NAME OR NUMBER** will now appear. To access a specific customer record, enter their account number or one of the words in their name (e.g. **AUTO**) and press **<Return>**. Entering a portion of the customer's name will display a sorted list of all customer names that have the entered string (letters) within any part of their name.

Example: Entering **AUTOMOTIVE** will display a selection list of all customers with the **AUTOMOTIVE** string within any part of their name as shown:



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- Use the ↑ and ↓ arrow keys to move the highlighted bar to the desired customer and press <Return>.

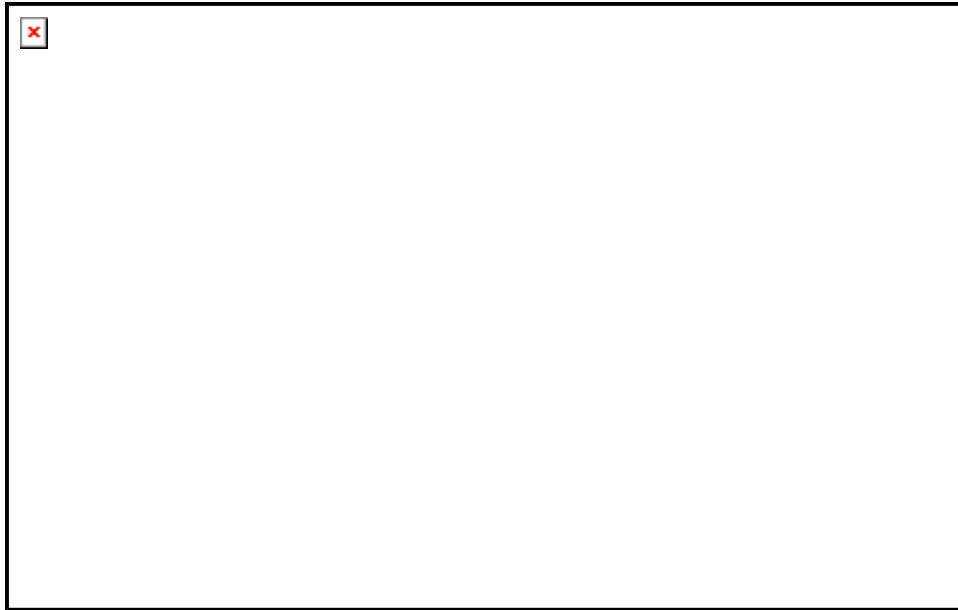
Note: User's can also enter the customer's number that is beside the customer's name and press <Return>. If there are many customers matching the entered string, the <F8> (Forward) and <F9> (Backward) keys can be used to scroll forward and backward a page at a time through the selection list window.

The Customer/Vendor Update screen will now be displayed as shown:

CUST 250		CUSTOMER/VENDOR UPDATE	
NAME AMERICAN ACRYLIC	ST CD 0	TAX% 10.123	POP% DISCNT
BILL 1257 ORANGETHORPE	V/C C SLSM A BKORD Y	EXC=X	%
BILL FULLERTON, CA 91775-2555	SRV CHG% 1.50	COD Y 0	100.00
BILL	SRV TOT 0.00	STMT Y 1	110.50
TEL (714)524-5888	DAYS 10	NET% 2.00	2 100.00
LAST PMT 0.00	CREDIT LIMIT 9999	3	100.00
RECEIPTS 0.00	PO REQ N	REPT CODES 2 4 K L U 0	4 100.00
CURR BAL 0.62	MTHS ON SYS 57	ACT(O/B) 0 MATRIX 1	5 100.00
OPEN BAL 0.62	CORE CUST 0	LIST PRICE 5	100.00
30 DAYS 0.00	60 DAYS 0.00	90+ 0.00	VENDOR ABC
0	PRICE LEVEL BY PRODUCT	LINE NUMBER	ENTER 0,1,2,3,4, OR 5
022222222	212222222	5000001132	2222231111 1000055551 2222233333 5555555000
70	80	90	100 110 120 130
2512341333	5555111023	3333333333	3333333333 3333333333 4333333333 3333333333
140	150	160	170 180 190 200
3333333333	3333333333	3333333333	3333333333 3333333333 3333333333 3333333333
210	220	230	240 250 TXBL SALES 0.00
3333333333	3333333333	3333333333	3333333333 333333 TAX COLLTD 0.00
F1 NEW CUSTOMER	F5 SHOW PAYMENT DETAIL	TAX ID 123409125	
F2 SALES ANALYSIS	F6 ENTER P/O NUMBER	F9 SHOW OTHER PHONE	
F3 SHOW STATEMENT DETAIL	F7 EXCEPTION PRICING	F10 RECORD CHANGES	
F4 SHOW COMMON CUSTOMERS	F8 SHOW OTHER ADDRESS	F11 EXIT PROGRAM	

5.2 Viewing A Customer's Sales History

- From the *Customer/Vendor Update* screen, press the <F2> (*Sales Analysis*) key and the *Customer Analysis* menu will appear as shown:



- With the cursor positioned next to the **SELECT DATA TO BE DISPLAYED** prompt, enter a number (1-8) that corresponds to the graph data to be displayed and press <Return>.

Graph information for the past 24 months of sales history will be displayed for the selection entered as shown:



- With the cursor positioned next to the **ENTER GRAPH # OR FUNCT.** prompt, enter a number (1-8) which corresponds the graph data to be displayed and press **<Return>** or press **<Return>** to return back to the *Customer Analysis* screen.

Below is a summary of the various sales graphs:

1-Net Sales	The invoiced value of all merchandise sold minus the value of inventory and warranty returns, less the invoice discounts given (Lab/Misc codes C and D). It does not include core charges, core returns or labor/freight charges.
2-Net Core Sales	The value of core deposits invoiced minus the value of core returns invoiced. A positive number means that a customer has purchased more dollars of cores than he returned and a negative value means that he has returned more cores than purchased.
3-Cost Of Sales	The cost of all merchandise sold minus the cost of all inventory and warranty returns.
4-Profit In %	The gross profit dollar amount divided by net sales (gross profit dollar amount equals net sales minus cost of sales).
5-No. Of Invoices	The number of all finalized cash and charge invoices printed. Pick ticket/interim invoices do not update this field.
6-Items/Invoice	The total number of all extended lines on all finalized invoices.
7-Product History	Tracks by customer sales history level (See <i>Product Line Update - Customer Sales History Level</i>) the value of merchandise purchased minus the value of inventory and warranty returns. Each level graphically displayed corresponds to the product line customer sales history level. The sales history level (1-24) is set for each product line (within Product Line Update) and allows for tracking the types of merchandise purchased by individual or groups of customers. This information can be printed using the Customer Sales Analysis Report.
8-Profit \$ Amount	The net sales minus cost of sales.

5.2.1 Clearing Product History

Information and sales totals will accumulate within each customer's product history until cleared by answering **Y** to the prompt **CLEAR GRAPH # 7 IN CUSTOMER FILE** during the month end closing procedure.

☞ **Note:** Most users clear this field monthly or quarterly.

5.2.2 Modifying A Customer's Sales History

- To make changes to a customer's sales graph, display the customer's record and press the **<F2>** (*Sales Analysis*) key to display the *Customer Analysis* menu.
- Press the **<F6>** key, enter the number (1-8) that corresponds to the graph data to be modified and press **<Return>**.
- Enter the new monthly values and press the **<F10>** (*Record Changes*) key to record all changes.

5.3 Customer's Statement/Payment Detail

Customer's statement detail tracks, by customer, all invoices finalized during the current month for balance forward type accounts and all invoice details that are still open (not paid) for open item type accounts. For balance forward accounts, statement detail information is stored until cleared through month end processing

(which rolls the total amount of the details into the 30 day balance). For open item accounts, invoice detail information is stored until completely paid.

The *Customer Statement Detail* screen displays the following information for each detail stored:

- Store number
- Date
- PO number
- Reference information
- Invoice number
- Dollar amount
- Check information
- Transaction code

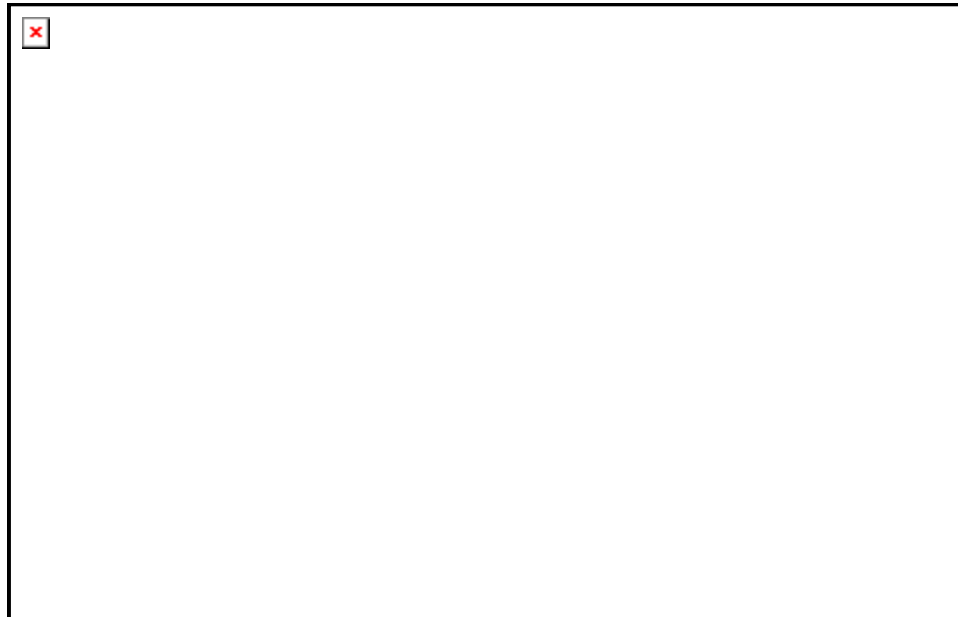
If there has not been any sales activity within the current month, the message **NO DETAILS** will be displayed for balance forward accounts or for open item accounts without any open details.

Customer's payment detail tracks, by customer, all payment details applied during the current month. Payment details accumulate until cleared through month end processing.

5.3.1 Viewing A Customer's Statement/Payment Detail

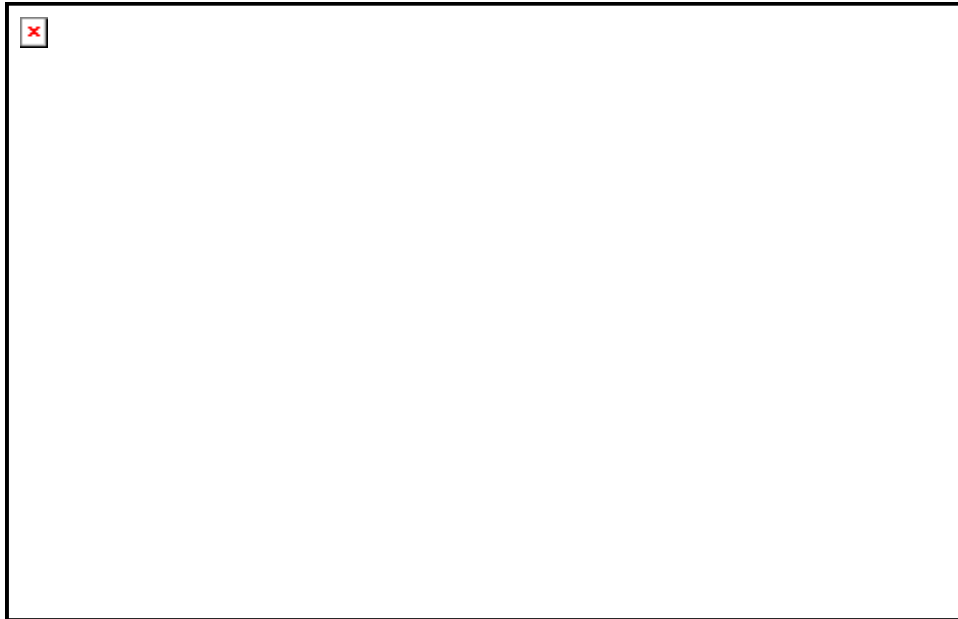
- To view a customer's statement detail information, display the customer's record and press the <F3> (*Show Statement Detail*) key.

The *Customer Statement Detail* screen will be displayed as shown:



- To view a customer's current month payment detail information, display the customer's record and press the <F5> (*Show Payment Detail*) key.

The *Customer Statement Detail* screen will be displayed as shown:



5.3.1.1 Modifying A/R Details

Users have the ability to modify the PO number, check information for a specific statement or payment A/R within the <F3> (*Show Statement Detail*) or <F5> (*Show Payment Detail*) screens. This gives management the flexibility to enter PO numbers assigned by municipal accounts after an invoice has been finalized.

To modify an A/R detail, perform the following steps:

- Within the <F3> (*Show Statement Detail*) or <F5> (*Show Payment Detail*) screen, use the ↑ and ↓ arrow keys to highlight the specific detail to be modified and press <Return>.

A pop up window will be displayed as shown:

CUST 401		CUSTOMER STATEMENT DETAIL			
NAME	169 AUTO COLLISION	TEL		OPEN ITEM	
OPEN BAL	176.69	RECEIPTS	0.00	CREDIT LIMIT	1000
CURR BAL	51.50	30 DAYS	0.00	60 DAYS	0.00
				90+	125.19

STR-INV	DATE	AMOUNT-PO-#	CHECK	REF	CODE
1 17	03/06/02	-19.44			INV -90
1 16	03/06/02	19.44			INV -90
1 18	03/06/02	19.44			INV -90
1 20	03/06/				INV -90
1 19	03/06/				INV -90
1 24	03/08/				INV -90
1 29	04/10/				INV -90
1 46	04/15/				INV -90
1 43	04/15/				INV -90
1 47	04/15/				INV -90
1 70	07/17/02	32.06			INV-CUR
1 73	08/12/02	19.44 ABCDEF		30	INV-CUR

F10 RECORD CHANGES
 F11 EXIT PROGRAM

- With the cursor positioned at the **PURCHASE ORDER #** prompt, enter up to 15 alphanumeric characters of purchase order number information and press **<Return>**.
- With the cursor positioned at the **CHECK #** prompt, enter up to 15 alphanumeric characters of check number information and press **<Return>**.
- Press the **<F10>** (*Record Changes*) key to save the entered information.

Continue entering modifications as described.

5.3.2 Customer Transaction Codes

Listed below are all possible transaction codes for a customer's statement/payment detail:

Transaction Code	Transaction Type
INV-CUR	Point of Sale Invoice - Current - Both Account Types
INV-30	Point of Sale Invoice - 30 days - Open Item Accounts Only
INV-60	Point of Sale Invoice - 60 days - Open Item Accounts Only
INV-90	Point of Sale Invoice - 90 days - Open Item Accounts Only
ROB	Payment to Old Balance
RCB	Payment to Current Balance
DIS	Statement Discounts Applied
PFC	Paid Finance Charges
SPE	Special Order Deposits
COR	Core Credits Issued - Through Core Bank Program

5.4 Vendor's Statement Detail

Vendor's statement detail tracks, by vendor, all purchases and payment details finalized during the current month. Statement details will accumulate until cleared during the month end procedure. If there has not been any activity within the current month, a *NO DETAILS* message will be displayed.

5.4.1 Vendor Transaction Codes

Listed below are all possible transaction codes for a vendor's statement/payment detail:

Transaction Code	Transaction Type
RPO	Purchase Orders Received
PCR	Cores Returned
PWR	Warranties Returned
ROB	Payment to Old Balance
RCB	Payment to Current Balance
DIS	Statement Discounts Taken
PFC	Paid Finance Charges

5.5 Type Of Accounts

The customer/vendor file creates and/or updates all customer and vendor records. There are four different types of accounts that can be set up and maintained:

1. Customer Zero (0)
2. Charge Customers: Balance Forward/Open Item
3. Vendor Records
4. Cash Customers

5.5.1 Customer Zero (0)

Customer zero (0) is a special account whose only purpose is to print the headings for tape receipt invoices, purchase orders and customer or core banking statements.

The store's name, address and telephone number information should be entered within this record and can be modified at any time. When using the prior month statement feature, customer zero is also stored at month end. If changes need to be made to customer zero and prior month statements are going to be printed, be sure changes are performed subsequent to running month end.

CUST 0		CUSTOMER/VENDOR UPDATE	
NAME	GENERIC AUTO PARTS	ST CD	0
BILL	8452 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE	TAX%	10.123
BILL	P.O. BOX 150	POP%	
BILL	BUENA PARK, CA 92001	DISCNT	%
TEL1	714-522-3551	V/C C	SLSM
LAST PMT	0.00	BKORD	Y
RECEIPTS	0.00	SRV CHG%	1.50
CURR BAL	0.00	COD N	0
OPEN BAL	0.00	STMT Y	1
30 DAYS	0.00	DAYS	10
60 DAYS	0.00	NET%	2.00
90+ DAYS	0.00	CREDIT LIMIT	1500
PRICE LEVEL	BY PRODUCT LINE NUMBER	REPT CODES	1 2 3 4 5
ENTER	0,1,2,3,4, OR 5	ACT(0/B)	B
0	10	MATRIX	NONE
4000000000	0000000000	LIST PRICE	5
70	80		
0000000000	0000000000		
140	150		
0000000000	0000000000		
210	220		
0000000000	0000000000		
F1	NEW CUSTOMER	F5	SHOW PAYMENT DETAIL
F2	SALES ANALYSIS	F6	ENTER P/O NUMBER
F3	SHOW STATEMENT DETAIL	F7	EXCEPTION PRICING
F4	SHOW COMMON CUSTOMERS	F8	SHOW OTHER ADDRESS
		F9	SHOW OTHER PHONE
		F10	RECORD CHANGES
		F11	EXIT PROGRAM

5.5.2 Vendor Records

Vendor records track which product lines are supplied by each vendor and as a result of purchasing, the accounts payable details and totals.

5.5.2.1 Creating A Vendor Record

To create a vendor record, enter the following information:

- Vendor name, address & telephone number
- A **v** within the **v/c** field
- The product lines supplied by the vendor

5.5.2.2 Product Lines Supplied By Vendor

To inform the system of product lines supplied by each vendor, values of 1 or 0 must be entered within the corresponding product line number under the **Price Level By Product Line Number** field columns within each vendor's record. Enter a 1 on all product lines supplied by this vendor and 0 for lines not supplied.

- From the *Customer/Vendor Update* screen, press the <F15> key twice to position the cursor under the 0 column beneath the **Price Level By Product Line Number** field heading.

The cursor position now represents product line 0 and each number there after represents product lines 1 through 9.

- Enter a 1 or 0 for each product line and press <Return>.

Continue entering this information for all product lines and the press <F10> (*Record Changes*) key to save the changes.



5.5.2.3 Vendor Pricing Matrix (Standard & Exception)

Vendor pricing is handled by two different methods:

The first and lowest priority method is the standard pricing matrix. This method works by multiplying each part number's **PRICE 0** (cost) by the **VENDOR NET %** percentage, setup within the *Product Line File*, to calculate the unit purchase price for each part. It will use the part's average cost, when the **USE AVERAGE COST FOR ALL COST CALCULATIONS** option is enabled through the *Specify System Setup Options - System Commands*.

The second and highest priority method is the exception-pricing matrix. This method is used to setup discount percentages for specific product lines or fixed prices for specific part numbers. Purchasing first checks for fixed prices or discount percentage's setup with a vendor's exception pricing matrix when calculating a part's cost price. If a part does not have a discount percentage or fixed price setup within the vendor's exception pricing matrix, it will use the standard pricing method as previously described.

5.5.3 Charge Customer Records

Charge customers differ from cash customers in that they have a credit limit greater than zero and can receive merchandise on credit. There are two types of charge customers, *balance forward* or *open item*.

A balance forward customer will track old balances by 30, 60 and 90+ day periods only. Payments can be applied against the old or current balances only. The system tracks the current month's statement detail of all charges, credits and payments.

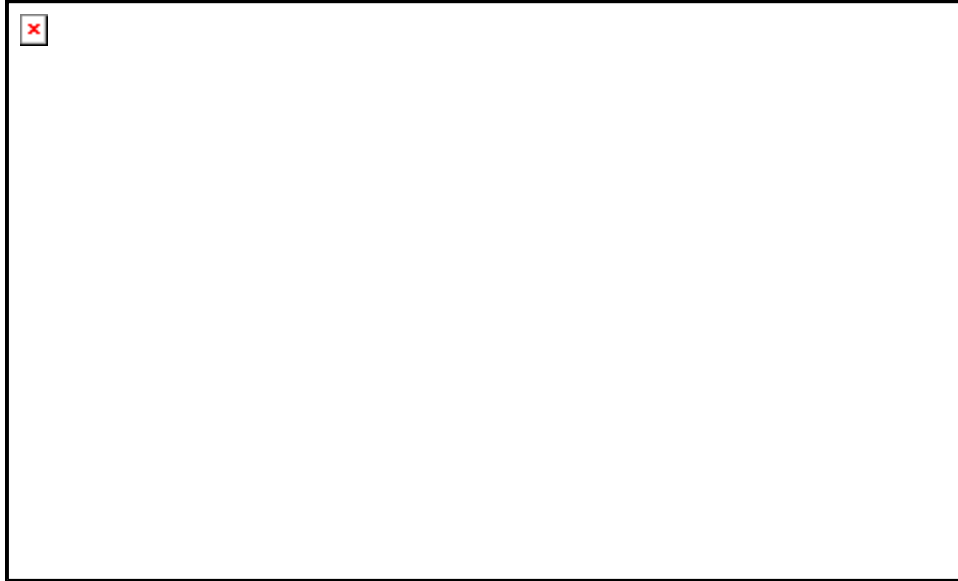
An open item customer will track old and current balances by invoice number and date. Payments can be applied against specific invoices or against the oldest invoice's first. Open invoices remain within the customer record until completely paid.

Sales history is accumulated by invoicing activity and includes all charge and cash sales.

5.5.3.1 Creating A Charge Customer Record

To create a charge customer record, enter the following information:

- Name, Address & Telephone Number
- PO Required Y/N ?
- State Tax Code
- **C** within the **V/C** field
- Salesman Code
- Option to Backorder Merchandise Y/N?
- Statement Discounting and Service Charge Percentage
- Print Statement Y/N?
- Credit Limit
- Report Codes
- Account Type (**B** for *balance forward* or **O** for *open item*)
- Pricing Matrix Information
- Tax ID Number (for non-taxable)
- Exception Pricing Information (optional)
- COD Account Y/N ?
- Customer Matrix Number



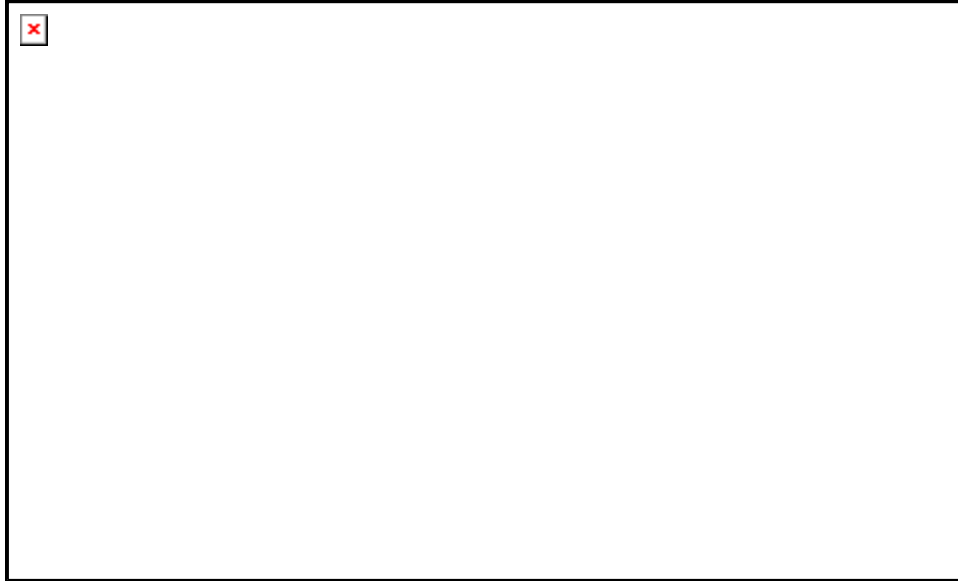
5.5.4 C.O.D. Customer Records

C.O.D. customers are identical to charge customers in that they have a credit limit greater than zero and can receive merchandise on credit. However the COD field needs to be set to Y. When this field is set, all invoices will need to be finalized as charge and will print “COD” on the invoice. This will alert drivers to collect when delivering merchandise to the customer account. When the money has been collected, a payment will need to be applied to the account.

5.5.4.1 Creating A C.O.D. Customer Record

To create a charge customer record, enter the following information:

- Name, Address & Telephone Number
- PO Required Y/N ?
- State Tax Code
- **C** within the **V/C** field
- Salesman Code
- Option to Backorder Merchandise Y/N?
- Statement Discounting and Service Charge Percentage
- Credit Limit
- Report Codes
- Account Type (**B** for *balance forward* or **O** for *open item*)
- Pricing Matrix Information
- Tax ID Number (for non-taxable)
- Exception Pricing Information (optional)
- **Y** within the **COD** field



5.5.4.2 Changing A Customer From Balance Forward To Open Item

To change a customer from a *balance forward* type account to an *open item* type, follow the steps outline below:

1. Print out a statement for the customer to be changed.
2. Zero out the 30, 60, and 90+ day balances.
3. Change the account type to an **O** for open item
4. Enter the outstanding invoice detail information by invoice number, date and period using the *Back Office Posting - Miscellaneous Functions* program.

 **Note:** This should only be performed just following a month end and before any payments have been applied!

5.5.5 Cash Customer Records

Cash customers differ from charge accounts in that they have a zero credit limit and therefore, cannot purchase merchandise on credit. Individual cash customer records can be setup for specific customers or a generalized “walk-in” cash account can be setup for invoicing merchandise to the general public (walk-in customers). Sales history is accumulated based upon all finalized invoices. Cash customers may have either a simple or complex pricing matrix as required.

5.5.5.1 Creating A Cash Customer Record

To create a cash customer record, enter the following information:

- Name, Address & Telephone Number
- Tax ID Number (for non-taxable)
- Report Codes
- **C** within the **v/c** field

- PO Required Y/N?
- Pricing Matrix Information
- State Tax Code
- Salesman Code
- Option to Backorder Merchandise Y/N?
- Exception Pricing (optional)

5.6 Modifying A Customer/Vendor Record

- To create or modify a customer/ vendor record, enter **3** (*Customer/Vendor File*) from the *Autologue Main Menu* and press **<Return>**.
- Next enter the account number or name and press **<Return>**.
- Using the **↑** and **↓** arrow keys, position the cursor within the field to be modified and enter the new information and press **<Return>**.

Continue entering changes within the record and press the **<F10>** (*Record Changes*) key to save the changes.

 **Note:** Always press **<Return>** after entering new information into a field. When a field is changed and the **<Return>** key is not pressed, the **<F10>** (*Record Changes*) will NOT save the modifications made to the field!

5.6.1 Customer/Vendor Record Fields Summarized

Outlined below is a summary table of the various fields within the Customer/Vendor record:

Field	Field Summary
NAME:	Stores the customer/ vendor name; stores up to 35 printable characters;
BILL:	Stores the customer/ vendor billing address information; stores 3 lines of up to 35 printable characters per line; This information prints on the customer's invoices within the <i>Bill To</i> header area and on the customer's statement;
SHIP:	Stores the customer/ vendor shipping address information; Stores 3 lines of up to 35 printable characters per line; This information prints on the customer's invoices within the <i>Ship To</i> header area; Press the <F8> (<i>Show Other Address</i>) key to access the shipping address lines; These 3 lines can also be used for notes information that will automatically pop up a window when invoicing to the customer; This can be useful to alert counterpeople of any special billing instructions, etc.; The AUTONOTES uservar setup option will need to be activated through the <i>Specify System Setup Options - System Commands</i> ; The first SHIP line must have an '*' character in the first position and NOT A SPACE right after it for point of sale to pop up the note's window!
TEL1:	Stores up to 3 different phone numbers for the customer/ vendor; Stores up to 35 printable characters per phone number; Press the <F9> (<i>Show Other Phone</i>) key to access the next phone number field;
PO REQ:	Defines whether this customer must have PO number on all invoices within point of sale; A value of Y tells point of sale to prompt the counterperson for PO number when finalizing any invoices for this account; If the customer issues a blanket PO number, This can be preset within the customer's record by using the <F6> (<i>Enter P/O Number</i>) key; This will automatically print this PO number on all invoices for the customer;

ST CD:	Defines a numeric character (0-255) which designates the taxing district/state code for this account; The system can track up to 256 different taxing totals of taxable sales and tax collected; The tax codes and rates need to be setup through the <i>Tax Table Maintenance - Utility Menu 3</i> .
TAX%:	Automatically assigns the tax rate percentage value corresponding to the state code entered;
V/C:	Defines whether this account is a vendor or customer; Accepts a V for vendor or a C for a customer record;
SLSM:	Defines a customer's salesman code for commission totals and report printing purposes; Accepts any single alphanumeric character; valid characters are A-Z or 0-9 ;
BKORD:	Defines whether this customer can backorder parts within point of sale; A value of Y tells point of sale to backorder merchandise not in stock for this customer; N disallows backordering merchandise;
SRV CHG%:	Defines a service charge percentage; accepts values up to 99.99% although 1.50% is standard; Service charges are calculated during month end processing on any unpaid old balances (30 days & older); To exclude a customer from being charged service charges, enter 0 for the service charge percent;
COD:	Defines whether this customer is a COD (Cash On Delivery) account; A value of Y tells point of sale to print "COD" on all charge invoices within point of sale; Otherwise it will print the normal "Cash" or "Charge" on the invoices;
SRV TOT:	Displays the total unpaid service charges owed; accepts values up to \$999,999.99 (updated through the month end procedure);
STMT:	Defines whether a statement is to be printed for this customer when running the Print Statements program; A value of Y tells the statement program to print a statement for this customer; N will not print a statement and your customer would need to print their statement through the ePaperless Office;
DAYS:	Defines the number of days the customer is allowed in order to take advantage of early payment discounting; A value of up to 999 days may be entered although 10 days is standard; Optionally defines the number of invoices are considered overdue when the CustDaysOverDue uservar option is enabled;
NET%:	Defines the early payment discount percentage offered when the current balance is paid within ? days; Example: 10 days net 2%, means that if the balance of the statement is paid within 10 days, the customer may take a 2% discount off of his current balance; Accepts a percentage of up to 99.99 although 2% is standard; The system automatically calculates and prints the discount allowed on the bottom of the customers statement;
CREDIT LIMIT:	Defines the maximum value of credit available to a charge customer; This field is limited to whole dollars and has a maximum value of \$999,999;
REPT CODES:	Accepts any printable character or number; up to six report codes can be entered per customer record for report, label, and statement printing; Useful for developing custom mailings by geographic area or customer type;
POP % EXC=X:	Allows a customer to be excluded from the effects of popularity percentage pricing; A value of X to the right of each price level excludes popularity pricing for the particular price level; for more information, See <i>Product Line Update - Popularity Pricing</i> ;
DISCNT %:	Defines the percentage at which the customer is to purchase merchandise based upon the inventory price level; 90% percent refers to a 10% discount; 115% refers to a 15% surcharge; The discount percent may range from 0.00 - 325.00% for each price level;
MTHS ON SYS:	Displays the number of months the customer has been active on the system; Automatically updated from the month end procedures; Has a maximum value of 255 months (21 years, 3 months);
ACT (O/B) :	Defines the type of account; O for open item accounting and B for balance forward accounting; If the account type is blank, the system defaults to balance forward;

MATRIX:	Defines a matrix number which corresponds to a particular customers exception pricing matrix; This allows multiple customers to share one specific matrix that was previously setup for a particular customer; Displays the customer's own number when a new exception pricing matrix is setup for itself; If no number is specified, the field will display NONE .
CORE CUST:	Defines a customer number that corresponds to a separate core customer number setup specifically for tracking all core sales; This allows all core sales to be charged to the customer number setup and not to the normal customer record; If no number is specified, the field will display 0 .
LIST PRICE:	Defines the list price level and percentage which is used to calculate the list prices within point of sale; The list price level field accepts price levels of 0-5 or SELL ; With a value of SELL , the list price will be calculated based upon the selling price; The list price percentage is entered after the price level; Valid percentages range from 0.00 - 325.00%; The list price is multiplied by this figure to produce the actual list price to be used;
VENDOR:	This field allows for the entry of a three (3) character WD / Transnet vendor identification code setup within the 6. <i>Warehouse and Transnet Vendor File</i> menu option within the <i>W/D Transmission Functions Menu</i> ; When you have a broadband internet connection and are signed up with Autologue Central internet connectivity, you can transmit orders to your suppliers within the <i>W/D Transmit</i> screen; It also allows for part inquiry within purchasing;
30 , 60 , 90+ DAYS:	The outstanding balances on charge accounts for each period; On balance forward accounts only, payments to old balance are not applied against these fields until the month end processing, but the open balance is adjusted!
LAST PMT:	The amount and date of the last payment made to the account; If several payments were made on this date, they will accumulate in the last payment dollar value as if there were one payment;
RECEIPTS:	The accumulated total of all payments made in the current month against old balances, statement discounts allowed, service charges paid, and special order deposits; Payments made to current balance are immediately deducted and are, therefore, not included; Maximum value accepted is \$65,535;
CURR BAL:	The current month balance of all charge and credit invoices this month less any payments to the current balance;
OPEN BAL:	For balance forward, the sum of service total and 30, 60, and 90+ day balances plus the current balance less receipts; For open item, the sum of service total and 30, 60, 90+ day balances plus the current balance less service charges paid;
PRICE LEVEL BY PRODUCT LINE NUMBER:	Defines the inventory price level the customer will be charged for each product line; Includes any discount at that price level as established under the DISCNT % column; Defines the product lines supplied for a vendor record;
TXBL SALES:	The accumulated total of taxable sales since last cleared through <i>Month End Processing - Zero Out All Tax Totals</i> ;
TAX COLLTD:	The accumulated total of tax collected since last cleared through <i>Month End Processing - Zero Out All Tax Totals</i> ;
TAX ID:	Defines the accounts tax exemption ID number; any account that has any character entered will be exempt from sales tax;

5.6.2 Sales Analysis Information Summarized

Outlined below is a summary table of the various sales analysis information tracked within the Customer/Vendor record:

Sales Information	Sales Information Summary
Net Sales:	The sum of merchandise sold less the merchandise value of warranty and inventory returns and invoice discounts; Maximum value to \$327,670 per month;
Net Core Sales:	The sum of core charges less core returns; Maximum value up to \$327,670 per month;

Cost Of Sales:	The inventory value of merchandise sold (price 0 x vendor net %); Maximum value to \$327,670 per month;
Profit In %:	Net exchange sales less cost of sales = net profit; Net profit divided by net exchange sales = profit % on sales;
No. Of Invoices:	Number of invoices finalized during the month;
Items/Invoice:	Average number of line items per invoice; number of line items divided by number of invoices;
Product History:	The sum of merchandise purchased in all product lines with a corresponding customer sales history level defined in Product Line Update; Maximum value is \$327,670 for each level;
Profit \$ Amount:	Net sales less cost of sales = net profit \$ amount;

5.7 Salesman/Report Codes

Salesman and report codes can be used to filter the following reports by salesman, customer type, geographic location or any other classification:

- Mailing Labels
- Index Cards
- Standard Customer Lists
- Customer Sales Analysis
- Statements
- Aged A/R Balance

5.7.1 Using Salesman/Report Codes

Utilizing these codes, report processing programs can print, sort and total information by salesman or report codes.

Example: Set up report code **3** to be all car dealerships in the area and report code **4** to be all weekly statement customers.

Generating one of the above mentioned reports by customer type is as easy as entering the report code to print by. Using salesman codes, the Customer Sales Analysis report will print and total sales and profitability of each salesman to help determine salesman performance and commission earning.

5.8 Standard Pricing Matrix

Point of sale determines the unit sell price of each part number based upon the following information within the customer's record:

- Customer price level for that product line
- Customer discount percent for that price level
- Customer popularity pricing status (include/exclude)

5.8.1 Creating A Customer's Standard Pricing Matrix

To create a customer's pricing matrix, enter the following information:

- A price level for each product line
- A discount percentage for each price level

- A popularity pricing status for each price level
- A list price level and percentage

Insert the discount percentage for each price level in the upper right corner of the customer record beneath the **DISCNT %** column heading. The discount percentage can range from 0 - 325.00%.

If the discount percentage is set to:

- 100%, the customer will buy at the straight inventory price level;
- 85%, the customer will buy at 15% off of the inventory price level;
- 110%, the customer will buy at the inventory price level plus 10%;

Determine and enter the price level at which the customer will purchase each product line under the **PRICE LEVEL BY PRODUCT LINE NUMBER** column. The product lines are grouped in multiples of ten (0-9, 10-19, etc.) and refer to the product line number within the product line file. Enter a **0** to sell a product line at a percentage of price 0. Enter the correct price level (0-5) for each product line.

- Enter the popularity pricing status for each price level in the upper right hand corner of the customer record (to the left of the discount percentage). Enter an **X** to exclude this customer from the effects of popularity pricing on all product lines purchased at this price level. To include popularity pricing in this customer's pricing matrix, leave this field blank. Popularity pricing is based upon the part number's popularity code and the pop pricing discount percentage setup within the product line file.
- Enter the list price level (**0-5** or **SELL**) and the list price percentage. **Example:** To have the list price for a customer always be 35% above their selling price, enter **SELL** as the list price level and **167.00** as the list price percentage. It defaults to list price level **5** and list price percentage of **100.00** within these fields.

5.8.2 Standard Pricing Matrix Flexibility

To sell specific product lines at a different discount percentage than the standard price sheet levels, use a different price level and calculate a discount percentage to arrive at the desired markup.

Example: Suppose most product lines are sold to a customer at 100% of price level 2 but on several lines the customer is allowed a 10% discount. This can be handled in one of two ways:

1. Use the automatic price adjustment program (see *Report Processing*) to adjust the price level 4 to be equal to 90% of price level 2 on the specific product lines.
2. Calculate a discount percentage of another price level in that line to be equal to 90% of price 2. **Example:** selling at 108.25% of price 3 or 65% of price 5 may be equal to 90% of price level 2. Check the markup percentage by price level with a Gross Margin Pricing report.

For greater flexibility, use the exception-pricing matrix.

5.9 Exception Pricing Matrix

In today's world, pricing merchandise to the customer has become more and more complex. Specialized pricing deals with the customer are becoming the rule, not the exception! To help in managing these special pricing schemes, we have designed the exception-pricing matrix. It's designed to be flexible enough to implement fairly complex pricing schemes.

The exception-pricing matrix takes precedence over the normal standard matrix discounting when selling parts within point of sale and when determining a part's cost through purchasing. Management has the ability to price a specific product line by a different percentage than is setup in the standard pricing matrix for a particular customer. Specific report coded parts within a product line can also have their own specific discount also. This is particularly useful when discounts are given for sub-lines. For example, if you wanted to give a special discount for only Borg Warner water pumps, but you wanted the rest of the product line to use a standard markup, then the water pump numbers would have to be report coded. The system also allows a specific part number to be given a special discount by percentage or a fixed price!

The following describes how the system works when determining how an exception price is determined. First the system will try to return the price from an exception that has an exact part number (not just the product line number) and a matching (non-blank) report code. It is important to note that the program references the **RepCdSens** uservar option setting. If an exception is not found, the system will then try to find an exception with an exact part number match and a completely blank report code. Exceptions with blank report codes are considered "wild cards" which means that they match all parts. If the system can't find a matching exception using the report code and the part number, it will look at the exceptions that apply to whole product lines. Second, the system will look for the product line and a matching report code. Lastly, the system will look for a product line exception price that has a completely blank report code. If the system cannot find any qualifying exceptions, the default price from the standard pricing matrix for that customer is returned without an exception.

5.9.1 Determining A Parts Selling Price Or Cost

Within point of sale, a part numbers price for a customer is now determined first by looking into the customer's exception pricing file. When the part number is found, pricing calculation stops! If an entry is not found, the item is priced using the standard pricing mechanism - looking at product line discounts, inventory pricing levels and discounts as setup in the standard pricing matrix.

Within purchasing, a part numbers cost for a vendor is now determined first by looking into the vendor's exception pricing file. If the part number is found there, it uses its fixed price or product line percentage setup. If an entry is not found, the part's cost is determined using the standard discounting mechanism - looking at product line vendor net percentage discounts.

Please note that the exception-pricing matrix overrides the standard pricing matrix! It is NOT in addition to the standard pricing matrix! This should give management complete control over how a particular customer is priced without the complexity of calculating through several discount levels (i.e. product line discount!).

5.9.2 Determining A Parts Core Selling Price

The exception pricing matrix screen allows user's to enter percentage entries based upon price level 7 (core sell) for a specific product line. The core-selling price will be calculated within point of sale accordingly.

5.9.3 Setting Up Exception Pricing

Exception pricing information can be setup for both vendor and customer account types. The following sections explain the setup procedures.

5.9.3.1 Using An Existing Customer's Exception Matrix

- With the customer/vendor account currently displayed, use the ↓ arrow key and position the cursor within the **MATRIX** field.
- Enter the exception matrix number that corresponds to the customer/vendor who has an exception-pricing matrix already setup and press <Return>.

Example: If an exception pricing matrix was previously setup in customer #100 and management wanted to use the same matrix for customer #250, simply enter **100** into the **MATRIX** field within customer #250's record and press <Return> then <F10> to save the information!

 **Note:** the exception matrix is *shared* between both customers and any changes to the matrix will affect both customers! Care should be taken when modifying!

5.9.3.2 Editing A New Or Existing Exception Matrix

- With the customer/vendor account currently displayed, press the <F7> (Exception Pricing) key within the Customer/Vendor Update screen to access the exception-pricing matrix.

A *Modify Exception Pricing* window will pop up allowing the entry or modification of the exception pricing information for the customer as shown:

CUST 250		CUSTOMER/VENDOR UPDATE			
NAME AMERICAN ACRYLIC	ST CD 0	TAX% 8.250	POP%	DISCNT	
BILL 1257 ORANGETHORPE	V/C C	SLSM A BKORD Y	EXC=X	%	
BILL FULLERTON, CA 91775-2555	SRV CHG% 1.50	COD Y	0	100.00	
BILL	SRV TOT 0.12		1	110.50	
TEL (714)524-5888	DAYS 10	NET% 2.00	2	100.00	
LAST PMT 0.00	CREDIT LIMIT 9999		3	100.00	

MODIFY EXCEPTION PRICING MATRIX : 250					
PROD-MFR-PART	TYPE	PRICE/%	LVL	RPTCD	NOTES
33	%	200.00	0		DBL COST FOR MOST
33	%	190.00	0	A	190 FOR A CODED ITEMS
33	%	180.00	0	1	180 FOR 1 CODED ITEMS
33	%	150.00	0	R	150 FOR 4 CODED ITEMS
33 ROY-14	\$	10.00	0		FLAT 10 PRICE ROY-14
33 ROY-15	\$	11.00	0		FLAT 11 PRICE ROY-15
33	%	300.00	0	1	TRIPLE FOR __1__ CODED
52	%	200.00	7		DOUBLE THE CORE COST
52	%	200.00	0		DOUBLE THE COST
52	%	180.00	0	A	180 FOR A CODED ITEMS

F4 DELETE/CHANGE F6 SORT F7 PRINT F8 FORWARD F9 BACKWARD F10 END F11 EXIT

The information is presented in blocks of twelve records. Each record can specify a product line percentage discount from a specific price level, a fixed price for a part number, a percentage discount from a specific price level for a part number. Product line discount records can also include specific report codes so different discounts can be applied. Optionally, a notes can be attached each entry. A discount *Type* code of \$ (Fixed Price) or % (Percentage) is displayed for each entry.

5.9.3.3 Cursor Movements

To advance to the next block of records, press the <F8> key (Forward). To go to the previous block of records, press the <F9> (Backward) key. The ↑ and ↓ arrow keys move the cursor from one line to the next. The → arrow key moves the cursor from one field to the next. To advance to the next field, without change, press the <Return> key.

5.9.3.4 Entering A Product Line Entry

- To enter a special pricing structure by product line, simply enter a valid product line number within the **PROD** field and press <Return>.

The screen will automatically put a % (Percentage) within the **TYPE** field because fixed pricing is not permitted for product line entries.

- With the cursor now positioned within the **PRICE/%** field, enter the percentage to charge the customer and press <Return>.

The software treats percentages as multiplication factors. This means taking the original price and multiplying the percentage by it.

Example: If a **FUD-12345** is priced at **\$22.12** in price level 3, and the percentage given is **150.00%** of 3, then the result will be (**\$22.12*1.50 = \$33.18**).

- With the cursor now positioned within the **LVL** (Price Level) field, enter the price level on which to base the percentage calculation and press **<Return>**.
- With the cursor now positioned within the **RPTCD** (Report Code) field, the user can optionally enter specific report codes to be based upon for this entry and press **<Return>**.
- With the cursor now positioned within the **NOTES** field, an optional note can be attached to this entry and press **<Return>**.

The **NOTES** field can be used to explain why a special discount is being setup.

The information will be saved and the cursor will automatically be positioned within **PROD** field of the next blank line ready for the next entry.

- If the new exception entry matches another entry, the screen will display a *Would you like to see the exceptions that match this?* pop up window. Enter **Y** or **N** and press **<Return>**.

If **Y** is entered, a *Conflicts* pop up window will be displayed showing the matching duplicate entries. Press **<Return>** and the screen will display a *Do you want to replace these conflicts?* pop up window.

If **N** is entered, the screen will display a *Do you want to replace these conflicts?* pop up window.

- With the cursor positioned within the *Do you want to replace these conflicts?* pop up window, enter **Y** or **N** and press **<Return>**.

Enter **Y** to replace the entry with the information entered or enter **N** to remove the information entered and thus leave the original entry intact.

The information will be saved and the cursor will automatically be positioned within **PROD** field of the next blank line ready for the next entry.

5.9.3.5 Entering A Percentage Part Number Entry

- To enter a percentage pricing structure by part number, simply press the **<Return>** key in the **PROD** field.
- With the cursor now positioned within the **MFR-PART** field, enter the manufacturer's code and part number and press **<Return>**.

A small *Pick Discount Type* selection window will now pop up allowing the user to choose from **Percent** or **Fixed Price**.

- Using the **↑** and **↓** arrow keys, highlight the **Percent** menu item and press **<Return>**.

The screen will automatically put a % (Percentage) within the **TYPE** field.

- With the cursor now positioned within the **PRICE/%** field, enter the percentage to charge the customer and press **<Return>**.
- With the cursor now positioned within the **LVL** (Price Level) field, enter the price level on which to base the percentage calculation and press **<Return>**.
- With the cursor now positioned within the **NOTES** field, an optional note can be attached to this entry and press **<Return>**.

The information will be saved and the cursor will automatically be positioned within **PROD** field of the next blank line ready for the next entry.

5.9.3.6 Entering A Fixed Price Part Number Entry

- To enter a fixed price pricing structure by part number, simply press the **<Return>** key in the **PROD** field.
- With the cursor now positioned within the **MFR-PART** field, enter the manufacturer's code and part number and press **<Return>**.

A small *Pick Discount Type* selection window will now pop up allowing the user to choose from **Percent** or **Fixed Price**.

- Using the **↑** and **↓** arrow keys, highlight the **Fixed Price** menu item and press **<Return>**.

The screen will automatically put a \$ (Dollar sign symbol denoting a fixed price) within the **TYPE** field.

- With the cursor now positioned within the **PRICE/%** field, enter the fixed price to charge the customer and press **<Return>**.

The screen will automatically skip past the **LVL** and **RPTCD** fields.

- With the cursor now positioned within the **NOTES** field, an optional note can be attached to this entry and press **<Return>**.

The information will be saved and the cursor will automatically be positioned within **PROD** field of the next blank line ready for the next entry.

5.9.3.7 Adding An Exception Entry

- To add an exception entry, simply position the cursor onto a blank line using the **↓** arrow or **<F10>** (**END**) key and add the information as previously described.

5.9.3.8 Deleting An Exception Entry

- To delete an exception entry, simply position the cursor onto the entry in which to delete and press the **<F4>** (**DELETE/CHANGE**) key.

A small *Change or Delete?* selection window will now pop up allowing the user to choose from **Delete**, **Percent** or **Fixed Price**.

- Using the **↑** and **↓** arrow keys, highlight the **Delete** menu item and press **<Return>**. The entry line will be deleted and the information will be saved.

5.9.3.9 Printing An Exception Report

- To print an Exception Report for a customer, simply press the **<F7>** (*PRINT*) key. The report will print out to the printer setup through *Flexible Printing*.

Below is a sample Price Exception Report:

Customer Matrix Report: Cust 250 - 250 Wed MM/DD/YY 14:15:56Page 1				
* * * Matrix Number 00250				
Prod Type	Mfr-Part Number	Pct/Price	Price Level	Notes
-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
1 Percent	-	151.00%	4	Example line of notes
2 Percent	-	153.00%	3	
3 Percent	-	163.00%	3	
4 Percent	-	142.00%	4	
5 Percent	-	93.00%	4	
6 Percent	-	97.00%	1	
7 Percent	-	10.00%	0	
8 Percent	-	135.00%	3	
32 Percent	-	135.00%	3	
50 Fixed	FRM-PH8A	\$ 2.54		
50 Percent	-	135.00%	2	
57 Fixed	CSP-RV8C	\$ 1.39		
58 Percent	BCA-A6	130.25%	3	
221 Percent	-	135.00%	4	
222 Percent	-	222.00%	3	
255 Percent	-	35.20%	5	

Sample Price Exception Report

5.9.3.10 Entering A Negative Price Level Percentage

When a negative percentage is entered within the **PRICE/%** field, the program automatically changes the value to a positive percentage based on the following:

New Percentage = 100 + Percentage Entered.

Therefore if **-15** was entered, **100 + (-15)** or **85.00** will be displayed. This helps when users enter **15%** off price level **1** as **-15** of **1**, yet it will display the familiar **85.00** of price level **1**.

5.10 Alternate Pricing Matrix

Management has the ability to sell to customers using two different pricing matrix schemes. This is useful when selling to customers in both wholesale and retail business environments. To sell to customers using two different pricing matrix schemes, the user must enter a customer number next to the Alternate Matrix field heading within the **<F4>** (*Show Common Customers*) screen.

5.10.1 Setting Up An Alternate Pricing Matrix

- From the *Customer/Vendor Update* screen, press the **<F4>** (*Show Common Customers*) key.

The *Common Customer Number* screen will be displayed as shown:

CUST250	COMMON CUSTOMER NUMBER
COMMON CUSTOMER NUMBER 0	
MATRIX	
STANDARD MATRIX	
ALTERNATE MATRIX	NONE
F1 NEW CUSTOMER	F3 SHOW STATEMENT DETAIL
F2 SALES ANALYSIS	F4 RETURN TO CHANGE DATA
	F10 RECORD CHANGES
	F11 EXIT PROGRAM

In addition to the normal **COMMON CUSTOMER NUMBER** prompt, the screen will display **STANDARD MATRIX** and **ALTERNATE MATRIX** label prompts as well as a field to enter an alternate matrix number.

- With the cursor positioned at the **COMMON CUSTOMER NUMBER** prompt, press the **<Return>** key.
- With the cursor positioned at the **STANDARD MATRIX** prompt, enter a new pricing matrix label (i.e. **RETAIL PRICING MATRIX**) and press **<Return>** or just press **<Return>** to leave the matrix label alone.
- With the cursor positioned at the **ALTERNATE MATRIX** prompt, enter a new pricing matrix label (i.e. **WHOLESALE PRICING MATRIX**) and press **<Return>** or just press **<Return>** to leave the matrix label alone.

The user has the ability to rename the label prompts to whatever they choose (i.e. **RETAIL PRICING MATRIX** and **WHOLESALE PRICING MATRIX**) as well as enter an alternate pricing matrix number to use for the **ALTERNATE MATRIX** label.

- With the cursor positioned on the **NONE** prompt, enter the customer number of the pricing matrix to be used for the alternate pricing matrix, press **<Return>** and then press the **<F10>** (*Record Changes*) key.

5.10.2 How Point Of Sale Interacts With An Alternate Pricing Matrix

When a customer that has an alternate pricing matrix setup is accessed through point of sale, a pop up selection window will be displayed. The window will contain the two separate pricing matrix labels that were setup in the customer's account. If the first menu item (**STANDARD MATRIX**) is selected, point of sale will calculate prices based upon the customer's standard pricing. If the second menu item (**ALTERNATE MATRIX**) is selected, point of sale will calculate prices based upon the customer's alternate matrix number setup.

5.11 Customer Backorder Status

The **BKORD** field controls the ability to backorder merchandise for a particular customer account. When **Y** is entered within this field, the customer will be allowed to backorder merchandise during point of sale invoicing. Otherwise merchandise is disallowed.

5.12 Setting A Customer Password For ePartConnection/ePaperless Office

To set up a customer password for ePartConnection purchasing capabilities or ePaperless Office through the internet, press the **<F12>** key within the customer/vendor record.

A window will pop up prompting for Customer Password.

- With the cursor positioned under the **Customer Password:** prompt, enter a password and press **<Return>**.
- Press the **<F10>** (*Record Changes*) key to save the entered password.

This is the password the customer will need to enter when logging into the ePartConnection website to purchase merchandise from your store or viewing their invoices and statement information through the ePaperless Office website.

5.13 Core Customer Account

When customers do not want core dollar amounts shown on invoices and charged to their account, setup a separate "core customer" account. Then within the customer's normal account, enter the new core account number within the **CORE CUST** field. When a part with core charge is charged to the customer within point of sale, the core charges are automatically charged to the "core customer" account number defined within the **CORE CUST** field when an invoice is finalized as a charge sale. Two separate invoices are generated. First the normal charge invoice and second an extra invoice. The second will have strictly the core dollars and be charged against the "core customer" account. It will print the invoice number of the first invoice within the *DOC #* invoice heading. The core eligibility quantity information is kept within the original customer account.

5.14 Available Customer Reports Summarized

Several reports are available that list various portions of customer/vendor record information. The customer sales analysis and aged A/R balance reports are two of the most valuable management tools used for reviewing sales and receivable activity.

Customer Report	Description Summary
Print Customer Reports	Allows mailing labels, index cards, standard lists, sales analysis, limited sales analysis, current month sales analysis and pricing matrix reports to be printed by customer number range, report codes or salesman codes;
Customer Backorder Report	Prints or screen displays customer backorder information;
Special Orders Report	Prints all outstanding special orders by customer;
Statements	Prints customer or vendor statements by account numbers, salesman codes or report codes;
Aged A/R Balance Report	Prints a report for customers or vendors, listing open, current, 30, 60, 90+ and service charge balances; report can be filtered using any combination of salesman code, report code, only current, only 30 days, only 60 days, only 90 days, only service charge, only customers that have not made a payment this month; reports can be spaced with up to 9 lines between each printed customer/vendor;
A/R Adjustment Report	Prints all adjustment transactions performed on customer accounts through Back Office Posting, Delete A/R Details, as well as totals of statement discounts applied, service charges paid or canceled and any manual adjustments made to the 30, 60 or 90 day balances;

5.15 Function Keys

Function Key	Action
F1	Returns to the ENTER CUSTOMER NAME OR NUMBER prompt
F2	Displays the Customer Analysis menu; Returns to the Customer/Vendor Update screen from the Customer Analysis menu;
F3	Displays statement detail information; Returns to the Customer/Vendor Update screen from the Customer Statement Detail screen;
F4	Displays the common customer number setup (used with multi-store software); Returns to the Customer/Vendor Update screen from the Common Customer Number screen; Displays the Price Type pop up selection window from the Modify Exception Pricing screen;
F5	Shows payment detail;
F6	Displays a pop up window used to enter a "blanket" p/o number; From the Customer Analysis menu, allows sales graph data modification;
F7	Prints a customer/vendor's Exception Pricing Report from the Modify Exception Pricing screen;
F8	Toggles between displaying the billing or shipping address information;
F9	Toggles between displaying the 3 different telephone numbers;
F10	Records changes to the file;
F11	Exits back to the Autologue Main Menu; Exits back to the Customer/Vendor Update screen from the Modify Exception Pricing screen;
F12	Displays a customer password pop up window; This password is to be used by the installer when logging into the ePartConnection website to order parts or the ePaperless Office website to view their invoices and statements;