Application Auditor

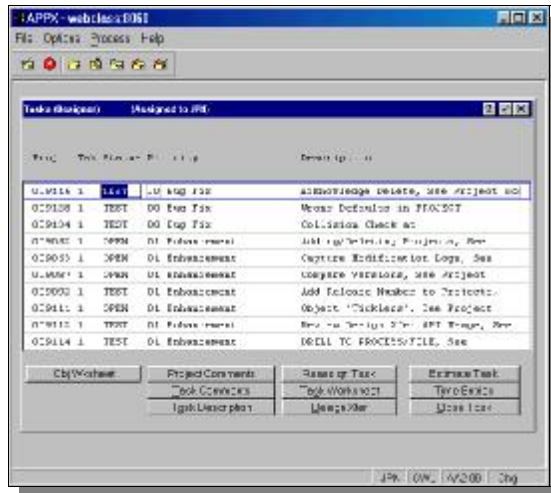## If you develop in APPX, you need *Application Auditor*

Managing software development in any environment can be a challenge, and APPX is no exception. Keeping track of who is working on what, and what stage they are at can be time consuming process for a manager. For the designer, keeping track of what they have changed poses another problem, not to mention the possibility of two designers changing the same process unintentionally.

Application Auditor addresses this from both sides, by providing a method for designers to track their work, and for managers to look at the 'big picture'. There is even a facility for users to submit requests for changes. Email is used as a mechanism to notify users, managers and designers of the status of a task as it is worked on.

For designers, Application Auditor provides a method for them to record their work, as they do it. This allows the system to warn them if another designer is also making changes to the same objects, and provides a much easier way for the changes to be design transferred from test to production. As a side benefit of this process, a complete record of changes to a process/file/field is built up over time, which gives a complete history of the object.

Changes in Release 2.0 include a full GUI environment, Object Ticklers to remind the designer of related changes that may be required, tighter integration with the Application Design environment and automatic assignment of Release numbers for package developers.

Even a single designer shop can benefit from using Application Auditor. Here we see a list of all the tasks the designer is currently working on, and the status of each. This allows the designer to focus on the high priority tasks, chase users to complete testing, and so on.

If you have made changes that the user does not want to put in production yet, but you have other changes to make and are concerned about accidentally transferring something that shouldn't be transferred, don't worry. Application Auditor will keep track of the first group of changes, and warn you if you are about to change something that would create a conflict.