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CYMA's Client Write-Up program is part of the company's CPA and Accountants Solution line, which provides a full suite of integrated accounting modules, import capabilities, broad customizable financial reporting options and support for any number of clients. The core CYMA Client Write-Up system includes traditional GL and After-the-Fact Payroll, with the ability to add AP, AR, bank reconciliation and live payroll. CYMA also offers a full range of accounting systems for mid-sized businesses and a version designed for non-profit organizations. The base Client Write-Up package starts at \$1,795 for a single-user license.

LEARNING CURVE & EASE OF USE – 4 Stars

The CYMA system is built upon the Pervasive SQL database, which provides greater customization, flexibility and the ability to manage very large datasets, but is a little more complex and requires more attention during initial setup and configuration. After installation, the eDesk serves as the central component of the user interface, allowing individual users to customize fields, links and menus, while providing pull-down menus as the primary means of accessing system modules and utilities.

Selection lists for clients, vendors, employees, banks and other data groups are well-designed and all support any number of entities, with multiple options for sorting, filtering and searching records. Data-entry screens are impressive, with multiple selection lists for accounts, dates, periods, descriptions, groups, batches and other options, while spreadsheet views are available for many tasks, such as when posting general journal entries, entering receipts and disbursements,

or creating adjusting entries. Journal entries can be made individually or by

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With the integration of CYMA's optional Live Payroll module, the system also provides extensive management and processing functions, including direct deposit, customizable pre- and post-tax deductions, accruals, departmental and location-based tracking, and extensive managerial reporting and compliance functions

such as wage and new hire reports, W-2s, and 1099s. Data import is offered from most time clock systems and spreadsheet formats, while a time entry function is also available through the Payroll module.

REPORTING & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – 5 Stars

CYMA Client Write-Up includes the F9 Report Writer, which provides a powerful tool for developing spreadsheet-based financial reporting, automatically extracting data from CYMA into Excel or Lotus Notes. The program also includes a full version of Crystal Reports, giving broad customization options for all of the system's standard financial report offerings. CYMA also offers compliance output tools for payroll compliance.

INTEGRATION, IMPORT/EXPORT – 4.5 Stars

As noted, CYMA's Payroll module imports from a variety of sources, while GL import functions are guided by the General Import utility, which enables users to pull data in from other accounting systems or spreadsheets in CSV format. This data can include allocations, banking information, terms codes, GL accounts and sub-types, budgets, transactions, and recurring transactions.

SUPPORT, TRAINING & HELP – 4 Stars

Within the CYMA system, the traditional Help utility offers index-based search and program use tips, step-by-step task and setup guides, an electronic user manual, and right-click options. The company also provides print-based manuals with the software. Online support options include access to a Knowledgebase

and program updates, as well as fee-based support and software maintenance plans.

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