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DATAFLEX REPORTS

PICKING USING TESTING

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BASIS FOR PICKING A REPORTING TOOL

HOW DID WE WIND UP HERE?

- Crystal Reports, Basic Report, WinReport
- Choices: VPE, List & Label, Crystal & Mertech, VRW
- Wanted WYSIWYG Design & Straightforward Integration
- Invest in the existing tool set
- World Class Support
- Rapid pace of progress

REASONS TO CONTINUE USING DR

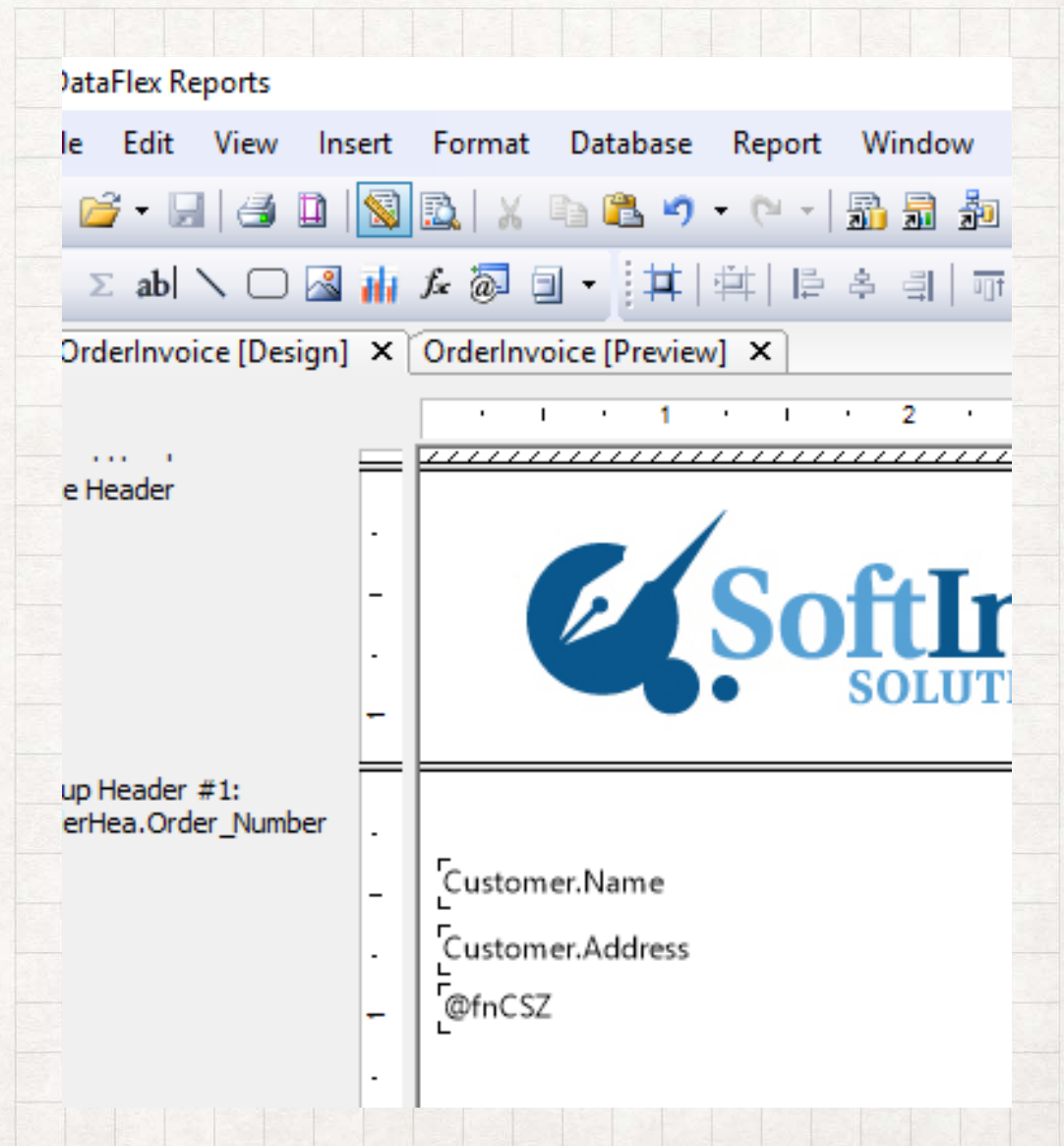
NEWTONS FIRST LAW

- Inertia
- If it ain't broke, Don't fix it
- It does it's job
- The tight integration with DF is getting tighter
- Joint Future
- Flexibility.

KILLER FEATURES

I'M SO HAPPY IT DOES THIS

- In-Line SQL in functions
- Auto Code Generation
- Barcodes
- Is External to the App
- Can be customized on the fly



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YAFR: YET ANOTHER FEATURE
REQUEST.

— *Some Random Dude On The Internet*

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TESTING REPORTS

DAMMIT MICHAEL THE SALES TAX REPORT IS BROKEN

- This is integration testing, not unit testing.
- The problem with upgrades.
- Demonstration mode.
- Scheduling
- Windows task scheduler
- Show And Tell

FOLLOW UP

SORRY, THE LIBRARY ISN'T FREE

- Library Demonstration, well you had to be there. 😊
- Code Availability
 - Will re-present the classes at EDUC
 - After EDUC the Testing classes will be available as a product.
- Features:
 - Automated Integration testing of reports.
 - Scheduled Reports.
 - Reports to Email (can be on schedule)

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