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Remark:

This document is intended to accompany the IF1 document. It is an intermediate working version, i.e. it includes the ''Representative Business Example'' chapters, but the ''Questions and Answers'' part is still under work.

This working version is not fully checked. However, to provide help in understanding the WPDL of the standard better the Working Group 1 decided to make this public in the version as-is.

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1. Introduction

This document complements the WfMC Process Definition Interchange documents: "Interface 1: Process Definition Interchange. Process Model. Document Number WfMC TC-1016-P" and "Interface 1: Process Definition Interchange. Organisational Model. Document Number WfMC TC-1016-O".

1.1. Purpose

The purpose of the WfMC Process Definition Interchange documents is to describe a common interface for the exchange of workflow process definitions. This interface is based on a standardised language - the Workflow Process Definition Language, "WPDL" - which can be supported by vendors of workflow management products to allow the exchange and documentation of workflow process definitions.

This document illustrates the WPDL by providing Questions and Answers and Examples. Its distributed is intended only for explanation purposes, i.e. it is not a standard.

1.2. Audience

The intended audience of this document includes all participants in the workflow industry. Comments should be addressed to the Workflow Management Coalition.

1.3. Overview

This document contains three parts:

- a section with questions and answers explaining different features of the WPDL definition and providing small examples,
- a Representative Business Example and its WPDL formulation,
- further examples for features of the WPDL not contained in the Representative Business Example.

1.4. Conformance

This document is not a specification to which conformance can be claimed, it is for illustrative purposes only.

A vendor can not claim conformance to any WfMC specification unless specifically authorised to make that claim by the WfMC. WfMC grants this permission only upon the verification of the particular vendor's implementation of the published specification, according to applicable test procedures defined by WfMC.

1.5. References

The following documents are associated with this document and should be used as a reference.

- WfMC Glossary
- WfMC Reference Model
- WfMC WPDL Process Model

2. Process Diagrams: Elements

In this document the following notation for the graphical representation of Process diagrams is used:

The notation consists of four types of elements: Rectangles for Activities, Lines for Transitions that connect Activities, Triangles for Process Start and End and Dots on Lines for Conditions of Transitions. There are two equivalent sets of symbols, one for a horizontal notation (direction left to right) and one for a vertical notation (top to bottom). In this paragraph the former is described; the latter has a corresponding layout.

The Activities are built up from a "body" and an "envelope". The "body" is characterised by a letter inside the Activity box. The body kind is either a ROUTE, characterised by 'R', or has an Implementation Application (N), NO (N), or subflow ('W'). A subflow has a box divided into two parts, permitting specificatio of the Workflow Identifier for the subflow.

The "envelope" of an Activity characterises the Transition restrictions (SPLIT-JOIN and Inline Block). AND restrictions are characterised by a semi-circle, XOR restrictions by default (no additional symbol). A JOIN is left of the Activity box, a SPLIT right. SPLITs have additional notations, the XOR SPLIT has a triangle to symbolise the sequence of evaluation, the ANDOR SPLIT has in addition to the semi-circlea DOT besides it to denote the OTHERWISE. To minimise the required number of symbols the XOR SPLIT sequence triangle is also present in case it is only a simple Transition without SPLIT.

Examples: 1. ROUTE R 2. IMPLEMENTATION ACTIVITY, NO, WORKFLOW A 3. AND JOIN and XOR SPLIT 4. XOR JOIN and AND SPLIT End of Process symbol End of Process symbol

Figure 2-1: Elements of SPLIT-JOIN Diagrams

3.	Questions & Answers < under revision>		

4. Representative Business Example

Preface

This section contains the methodology and results which will be used to verify that the standard being proposed for Interface 1 is in fact possible to implement.

The objective is to define a fictitious business case example containing most of the standard workflow entities and attributes (as defined in the Meta Model) for modelling a workflow process.

The Informal Description is provided in a form that is often employed by a user organisation. This especially means it does not fully use the terminology that normally is associated with a process-oriented description (e.g. Department names are used when a business process or function is referenced).

4.1. Informal Scenario Description

The FBN Sports Equipment Company, located in Luxembourg, manufactures a complete range of soccer, baseball, tennis and general athletic equipment. They only sell to European resellers, major sports outlets and North American Distributors. All sales are made by way of Purchase Orders.

The company has grown from a small organisation to the point where response to their customers is getting longer and longer. They have decided to employ a workflow management system in order to improve their business processes. In the existing environment all mail comes into the mail room and is then distributed as shown in Figure 4-1. Since the company receives 80% of its sales_order activity by mail and FAX, it has been determined to have an image scanner in the mail room as one of the methods to enhance the workflow system.

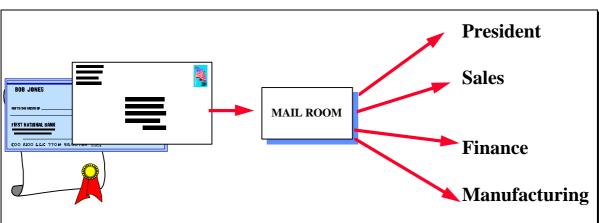


Figure 4-1: FBN Sports Equipment

4.1.1. New Business Process Rules

For this business case, we would like to build a representative model for streamlining the sales order entry and shipping process. The business case provides for workflow concepts which "flow" the work according to:

- · parallel paths
- · AND / OR routing conditions (SPLIT),
- · AND / OR rendezvous linkages (JOIN)

Activities can have states such as:

- · in process
- suspended
- · resumeable
- · completed

And, of course activities have roles or performers associated with them.

4.1.2. In The Mail Room:

The new business process involves giving a mandate to the mail room clerk to review all mail which will be scanned into the system and then to make decisions as to which routing process the mail documents should take. Only the mail to the President or marked "personal" will be sent directly and un-opened to the person.

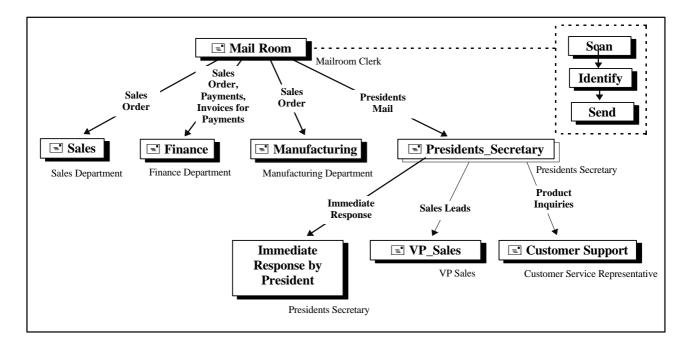


Figure 4-2: In the Mail Room

If the documents are a sales_order:

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Then all documents go to Sales, Finance and Manufacturing in parallel;

If the documents are invoices for payment:
    Then the documents go to Finance;

If the documents are addressed to the President:
    Then the documents go directly to the Secretary;
    The Secretary sorts mail for immediate response by President Sales leads go to Vice President, Sales
    Product inquiries go to Customer Support

If the documents are payments (or payment notices):
    Then the documents go to Finance;
```

4.1.3. At The Finance Department:

```
If the documents are for a sales_order:
      Then check if sales_order is from an existing customer:
             If an existing customer
                    Then Check Account Limits
                           If Account Limits OK
                                  Then Release to Manufacturing;
                                  Else refer to next manager level;
                                        If sales_order approved:
                                               Then Release to Manufacturing;
                                               Else decline sales_order;
                                                      Route to Sales Representative
                                                      Route to Manufacturing;
                                        End;
             If not an existing customer;
                    Then request Credit_Check:
                           If Credit_Check OK
                                 Then Release to Manufacturing
                                 Else decline sales_order
                                        Route to Sales Representative
                                        Route to Manufacturing;
                           End;
```

The rules for Check Account Limit are as follows:

- . If the customer has a good payment record for sales_orders which are within 20% of this sales_order then the sales_order can be accepted according to the limits of the signing authorities within the Finance Department.
- . If the sales_order is greater by more than 20% of the normal sales_order value, then a Credit Check can be requested or approval from the President. If the President approves, no Credit Check is performed. Or, the President can suspend approval until results from the Credit Check are returned to her for review.

Once a shipment has been completely shipped the Finance Department will issue an invoice to the customer. The FBN policy is to not invoice until the complete shipment has been made.

4.1.4. At The Manufacturing Department:

In our business example, we have elected to send all sales_order documents directly to Manufacturing - even before the sales_orders have been "released". Our rationale here is to allow Manufacturing to determine:

- · If there is sufficient stock in the inventory to ship immediately;
- · If there is "work-in-process" which can meet the delivery schedule;
- · What new materials will be needed to build out this order;
- · What the partial shipment plan could be.

The new business process has been defined as follows;

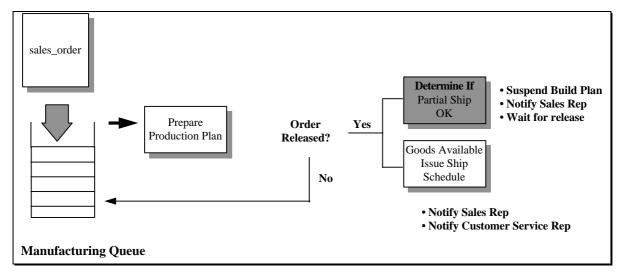


Figure 4-3: Schematic Definition of New Manufacturing Process

The new business process rules within Manufacturing will be as follows:

Determine the availability of stock or plan new production cycle. If sales_order is released and can be shipped:

- Then 1. prepare product order;
 - 2. issue shipping instructions and prepare forms
 - 3. notify sales, finance and customer service on ship date
 - 4. adjust inventory levels.

If sales_order is not released, place sales_order into suspend mode.

If sales_order is released but lack of product:

Then notify sales representative of partial ship plan.

Freeze parts and stock for 24 hours Suspend order for 24 hours

When the sales_order is released and the partial shipment program has been approved by the customer, then Manufacturing will:

- . Build and ship to the partial program;
- . Notify Finance on shipping
- . Expedite missing parts from suppliers
- . Suspend the sales_order until the parts arrive;
- . Complete the sales_order;
- . Issue notification to Finance, Sales and Customer Service

4.1.5. At The Sales Department:

In order to streamline the business and improve customer service, it has been decided to bring in a new position - Customer Service Representative. The objective of this new role will be to stay in touch with the customer:

- . during partial shipment periods, and
- . after the goods have been shipped to verify acceptance in good condition.

4.1.6. Company Organisation

FBN is a small company with a President and three (3) departments; Sales, Finance and Manufacturing. The organisation is presented in Tables 5-3 and 5-4. There should be sufficient detail to determine the roles for each activity, a deputy (when required) and the specific name of an actor if needed.

In the definition of the business case, constraints have been defined which may be used as Workflow Process Relevant Data or Transition Conditions.

Position	Name	Roles
President	Adelle Dastler	1. Approves Purchase Orders over \$100,000
		2. Release Sales Contracts over \$250,000
Sales Secretary	France Baroque	1. Schedules President's meetings
		2. Arranges Travel
		3. Deputy For Marketing Manager on Advertising
		4. Prepares & Sends All Sales Quotations
Vice-President, Sales	Dick Meadows	1. Approves sales commission bonuses
		2. Release Sales Contracts Less Than \$250,000
		3. Approves travel expenses less than \$10,000
		4. Can Approve Manufacturing Build Changes On Orders Greater Than \$250,000
Channal Managan	Mark Smith	1 Handles Advantising
Channel Manager	Mark Simun	 Handles Advertising Handles all USA Distributor Sales
C 1 M	T.1. C. 1C.11	3. Release All Distributor Sales Under \$250,000
Sales Manager	Jake Goodfellow	1. Deputy for Vice-President, Sales
		2. Release Sales Contracts Less Than \$100,000
		3. Approves travel expenses less than \$5,000
		4. Can Approve Manufacturing Build Changes On
		Orders Less Than \$100,000
		5. Handles All Other European Sales
Sales Representative	Patrick LaFleur	1. Deputy for Sales Manager

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Position	Name	Roles
		2. Release Sales Contracts Less Than \$50,000
		3. Can Approve Manufacturing Build Changes On
		Orders Less Than \$50,000
		4. Handles All Sales For UK & France
Sales Representative	Marlene Braun	1. Release Sales Contracts Less Than \$50,000
		2. Can Approve Manufacturing Build Changes On
		Orders Less Than \$50,000
		3. Handles All Sales For Germany
Customer Service	Joy Winter	1. Verifies Product Shipment Arrived & OK
Representative		2. Handles Direct Customer Inquiries

Table 4-1: FBN Organisation and Roles (part 1)

Position	Name	Roles	
Vice President,	John Hammer	1. Manages Product Cost	
Manufacturing		2. Expedites parts from suppliers	
		3. Plans Production Schedule	
Manufacturing Secretary	Heidi Werner	1. Prepares shipping & customs forms	
		2. Schedules transport	
Production Manager	Ralph Cramden	1. Plans Production Schedule	
		2. Expedites parts from suppliers	
		3. Deputy for Vice President, Manufacturing	
Production Operator	Norman Bates	1. Builds product line-A	
		2. Packages all product shipments	
		3. Prepares shipping & customs forms	
Production Operator	Dave Bennie	1. Builds product line-B	
		2. Schedules transport	
		3. Receives all returned goods	
		4. Receives & Stores all manufacturing materials	
Shipper	Theo Christensen	1. Packages all product shipments	
		2. Prepares shipping & customs forms	
		3. Schedules transport	
		4. Receives all returned goods	
		5. Receives & Stores all manufacturing materials	

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Position	Name	Roles
Purchasing Agent	Bob Cratchett	1. Purchases all parts
		2. Expedites parts from suppliers
		3. Can approve escalation payments up to \$10,000
Vice President, Finance	Rose Chutney	1. OK's Credit Approval on New Distributor Accounts
		2. Approves all sales_orders less than \$250,000 +20%
Finance Secretary	Elizabeth Blume	1. Handles all Human Resource functions
		2. Prepares Purchase Orders
		3. Prepares Invoices
Accountant	Anna Kopinski	1. Performs Credit Checks
		2. OK's Credit Approval on New Reseller Accounts
		3. Approves Invoices for Mailing
		4. Deputy for Vice President, Finance
		5. Approves all sales_orders less than \$100,000 +20%
Finance Clerk	Jim Samson	1. Approves all sales_orders less than \$50,000 +20%
		2. Deposits customer payments
		3. Handles customer interface
		4. Deputy for Accountant
Mail Room Clerk	Tim White	1. Opens and distributes all mail
		2. Operates company FAX distribution

Table 4-2: FBN Organisation and Roles (part2)

4.2. Representative Business Example in WPDL Notation

The WPDL formulation of the Representative Business Example takes into account that the original formulation is rather department oriented. The corresponding process definition can be handled in two ways,

- departmental-oriented processes as the original formulation,
- more process oriented, taking department relationships only into account at the performer level.

The two approaches relate to different type of process interworking (see IF4 document).

In the sequel examples for both approaches are outlined to some extent. For simplicity both approaches are combined in one Workflow Model which incorporates the common Workflow Participant, Application and Workflow Relevant Data definitions.

4.2.1. Workflow Model

Remark: Elements listed in "// <insert ...>" have to be replaced by the corresponding chapters.

```
MODEL
                             'Representative_Business_Example'
                             "7.0 Beta"
  WPDL_VERSION
  VENDOR
                             "Vendor: Product: Release"
  CREATED
                             1998-07-15
                            "Representative Business Example"
  NAME
  DESCRIPTION
                            "WPDL-Notation of Representative Business Example"
  AUTHOR
                            "WG/1B"
                            UNDER REVISION
  STATUS
  EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                             'VENDOR_A_SPECIFIC' STRING
                            "This is vendor A's attribute!"
  // Workflow Participant List
     PARTICIPANT
                             'France_Baroque'
                             "France Baroque"
       NAME
       DESCRIPTION
                            "President's Secretary"
                            HUMAN
     END_PARTICIPANT
     PARTICIPANT
                            'Tim White'
                            "Tim White"
       NAME
       DESCRIPTION
                            "Mail Room Clerk"
                            HUMAN
     END_PARTICIPANT
     PARTICIPANT
                            'Presidents_Secretary'
       NAME
                             "Presidents Secretary"
       DESCRIPTION
                             "handles presidents mail"
                            ROLE
     END_PARTICIPANT
     PARTICIPANT
                             'Mail_Room_Clerk'
       NAME
                             "Mail-Room Clerk"
       DESCRIPTION
                             "handles incoming mail"
     END_PARTICIPANT
     PARTICIPANT
                             'VP_Sales'
```

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NAME "VP Sales"

DESCRIPTION "Vice president; handles sales leads"

TYPE ROLE

END_PARTICIPANT

PARTICIPANT 'Sales_Department'
NAME "Sales Department"

DESCRIPTION "is involved in handling sales orders"

TYPE ORGANISATIONAL_UNIT

END_PARTICIPANT

PARTICIPANT 'Manufacturing_Department'
NAME "Manufacturing Department"

DESCRIPTION "is involved in handling sales orders"

TYPE ORGANISATIONAL_UNIT

END_PARTICIPANT

PARTICIPANT 'Finance_Department'
NAME "Finance Department"

DESCRIPTION "is involved in handling sales orders,

TYPE ORGANISATIONAL_UNIT

invoices for payments and payments"

END PARTICIPANT

PARTICIPANT 'Customer_Support'
NAME 'Customer Support'

DESCRIPTION "handles product inquiries"

TYPE ORGANISATIONAL_UNIT

END_PARTICIPANT

// <Workflow Application List>

APPLICATION 'scan_document'

NAME "scan document"

TOOLNAME "winscan.exe"

OUT_PARAMETERS 'scanned_document'

END_APPLICATION

APPLICATION 'identify_document'

NAME "identify document"

IN_PARAMETERS 'scanned_document'

OUT_PARAMETERS 'document_type'

END_APPLICATION

APPLICATION 'send_document'

NAME "send document"

TOOLNAME "abcmail.exe"

IN_PARAMETERS 'scanned_document'
'document_type'

END_APPLICATION

APPLICATION 'handle_document'

NAME "handle document"

IN_PARAMETERS 'scanned_document'
'document_type'

END_APPLICATION

// <Workflow Process Relevant Data List>

DATA 'document_type'

TYPE STRING

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```
NAME
                          "document type"
    DEFAULT_VALUE
                          "Sales Order"
  END_DATA
  DATA
                         'scanned_document'
                         REFERENCE
    TYPE
    NAME
                         "scanned document"
  END_DATA
// <insert Workflow "In the Mail Room">
// <insert Workflow "At the Finance Department">
// <insert Workflow "At the Manufacturing Department">
// <insert Workflow "At the Sales Department">
// <insert Workflow "Sales Order Processing">
```

END_MODEL

4.2.2. Departmental Processes

4.2.2.1.In the Mailroom

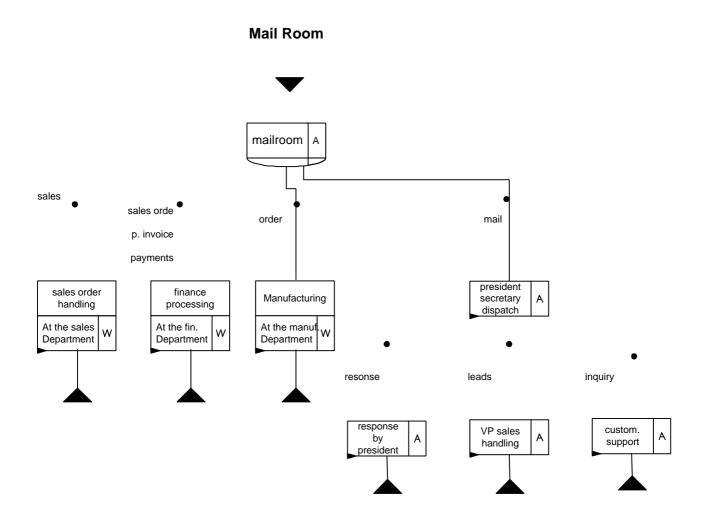


Figure 4-4: In the Mail Room

```
WORKFLOW
                           'In_the_Mail_Room'
  CREATED
                           1998-07-15
  NAME
                           "In the Mail Room"
// <Activity List>
  ACTIVITY
                           'MailRoom'
                           "Mail Room"
     NAME
     IMPLEMENTATION
                           APPLICATIONS
                             TOOL_LIST
                               'scan_document'
                               'identify_document'
                               'send_document'
                               DESCRIPTION "sequential execution"
                             END_TOOL_LIST
     PERFORMER
                           'Mail_Room_Clerk'
     SPLIT
                           AND
  END_ACTIVITY
```

```
ACTIVITY
                        'Sales_Order_Handling'
    NAME
                        "Sales Order Handling"
    IMPLEMENTATION
                      WORKFLOW SYNCHR 'At_the_Sales_Department'
    PERFORMER
                        'SALES_DEPARTMENT'
    END_ACTIVITY
  ACTIVITY
                        'Finance_Processing'
    NAME
                        "Finance Processing"
    IMPLEMENTATION WORKFLOW SYNCHR 'At_the_Finance_Department'
    PERFORMER
                        'Finance_Department'
  END_ACTIVITY
  ACTIVITY
                        'Manufacturing'
    NAME
                        "Manufacturing"
    IMPLEMENTATION WORKFLOW SYNCHR 'At_the_SManufacturing_Department'
    PERFORMER
                        'Manufacturing Department'
  END ACTIVITY
  ACTIVITY
                        'Presidents_Secretary_Dispatch'
    NAME
                        "Presidents Secretary Dispatch"
    SPLIT
                        XOR 't_5' 't_6' 't_7'
  END_ACTIVITY
  ACTIVITY
                        'Immediate_Response_by_President'
                        "Immediate Response by President"
    NAME
    IMPLEMENTATION
                        APPLICATIONS 'handle_document'
    PERFORMER
                        'Presidents_Secretary'
  END_ACTIVITY
  ACTIVITY
                        'VP_Sales_handling'
                        "VP Sales handling"
    NAME
    IMPLEMENTATION
                        APPLICATIONS 'handle_document'
    PERFORMER
                        'VP_Sales'
  END_ACTIVITY
  ACTIVITY
                        'Customer_Support'
                        "Customer Support"
    NAME
                        APPLICATIONS 'handle_document'
    IMPLEMENTATION
    PERFORMER
                        'Customer_Support'
  END_ACTIVITY
// <Transition Information List>
  TRANSITION
                        't_1'
    FROM
                        'MailRoom'
    TO
                        'Sales_Order_Handling'
    CONDITION
                        'document_type'="Sales Order"
  END_TRANSITION
  TRANSITION
                        't_2'
    FROM
                        'MailRoom'
    TO
                        'Finance_payment_processing'
                         'document_type'="Sales Order" OR
    CONDITION
                         'document_type'="invoices_for_payment" OR
                         'document_type'="payments"
  END TRANSITION
```

't_3'

TRANSITION

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FROM 'MailRoom'
TO 'Manufacturing'

CONDITION 'document_type'="Sales Order"

END_TRANSITION

TRANSITION 't_4'
FROM 'MailRoom'

TO 'Presidents_Secretary'

CONDITION 'document_type'="Presidents Mail"

END_TRANSITION

TRANSITION 't_5'

FROM 'Presidents_Secretary_Dispatch'
TO 'Immediate_Response_by_President'
CONDITION 'document_type'="Immediate Response"

END_TRANSITION

TRANSITION 't_6'

FROM 'Presidents_Secretary_Dispatch'

TO 'VP_Sales_handling'

CONDITION 'document_type'="Sales leads"

END_TRANSITION

TRANSITION 't_7'

FROM 'Presidents_Secretary_Dispatch'

TO 'Customer_Support'

CONDITION 'document_type'="Product_Inquiry"

END_TRANSITION

END_WORKFLOW

4.2.2.2.At the Finance Department

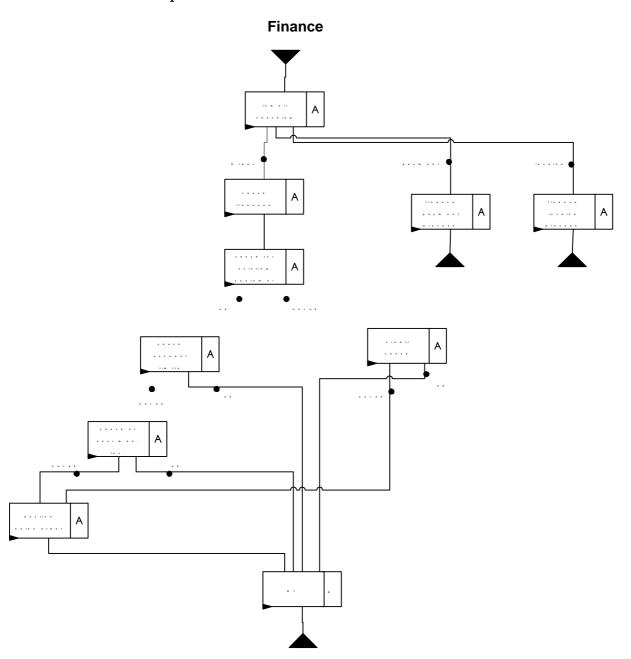


Figure 4-5: At the Finance Department

```
WORKFLOW
                           'At_the_Finance_Department'
                           1998-07-15
  CREATED
  NAME
                           "At the Finance Department"
// <Activity List>
  ACTIVITY
                           'Inmail_Checking'
     NAME
                           "Inmail Checking"
     IMPLEMENTATION
                           NO
     PERFORMER
                           'Finance_Department'
     SPLIT
                           XOR 'T_1' 'T_2' 'T_3'
  END_ACTIVITY
```

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```
// <Transition Information List>
  TRANSITION
     FROM
                           'Inmail_Checking'
                           'Check_Finances'
                           'document_type'="Sales Order"
  END_TRANSITION
                           't_3'
     FROM
                           'Finance_payment_processing'
     TO
                           'document_type'="payments"
  END_TRANSITION
                           't_2'
     FROM
                                 l_Checking'
     ТО
     CONDITION
                           'document_type'="invoices_for_payment"
  TRANSITION
                           't_4'
                           'Check_Finances'
     TO
  END_TRANSITION
  TRANSITION
     FROM
                           'Check
     TO
                           'Check_Account_Limit'
                           'account_ok'=TRUE
  END_TRANSITION
                           't_6'
     FROM
                           'Credit_Check'
     TO
  END_TRANSITION
  TRANSITION
     FROM
                           'Check_Ac
     ТО
                           'Check_at_next_magagement_level'
  END_TRANSITION
  TRANSITION
     FROM
                           'Check_Account_Limit'
                           'R_1'
     CONDITION
  END_TRANSITION
  TRANSITION
     FROM
                           'Credit_Check'
                           'Decline_Sales_Order'
  END_TRANSITION
  TRANSITION
     FROM
                           'Credit_Check'
                           'R_1'
```

CONDITION

END_TRANSITION

```
TRANSITION
                         't_11'
    FROM
                         'Check_at_next_magagement_level'
     TO
                         'Decline_Sales_Order'
    OTHERWISE
  END_TRANSITION
                         't_12'
  TRANSITION
    FROM
                         'Check_at_next_magagement_level'
                         'R_1'
    CONDITION
                         'management_ok'=TRUE
  END_TRANSITION
  TRANSITION
                         't_13'
    FROM
                         'Decline_Sales_Order'
                         'R_1'
    TO
  END_TRANSITION
// <Workflow Application List>
  APPLICATION
                         'customer_check'
                        "customer check"
    NAME
    DESCRIPTION
                         "sets 'customer_ok'"
  END_APPLICATION
  APPLICATION
                         'credit_check'
                          "credit check"
    NAME
    DESCRIPTION
                         "sets 'credit_ok'
  END_APPLICATION
  APPLICATION
                         'management_check'
    NAME
                          "management check"
    DESCRIPTION
                          "sets 'management_ok'
  END_APPLICATION
  APPLICATION
                         'account_check'
    NAME
                         "account check"
    DESCRIPTION
                         "sets 'account_ok'
  END_APPLICATION
// <Workflow Process Relevant Data List>
  DATA
                          'customer_ok'
    NAME
                          "customer ok"
    TYPE
                         BOOLEAN
  END_DATA
  DATA
                         'credit_ok'
    NAME
                          "credit ok"
    TYPE
                         BOOLEAN
  END_DATA
  DATA
                         'account_ok'
    NAME
                          "account ok"
    TYPE
                         BOOLEAN
  END_DATA
```

'management_ok'

DATA

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NAME TYPE BOOLEAN

END_WORKFLOW

At the Manufacturing Department

description details are left as an exercise to the reader.

Manufacturing check for availability no yes finance prepare payment prod. plan process not released released not released e_ released wait for release wait for release - produce - ship suspend til suspend til released released check f. partial shipment Customer Service Request not ok ok initate ship & produce produce ship direct ship later inform later inform direct shipment shipment Customer Customer Service Service Request Request

Figure -6

WORKFLOW

'At_the_Manufacturing_Department' 1998-07-15

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```
NAME
                          "At the Manufacturing Department"
  // <Insert Activity List>
  // <Insert Transition Information List>
END_WORKFLOW
WORKFLOW
                         'Suspend_until_Release'
  CREATED
                         1998-07-15
                          "Suspend until Release"
  NAME
  DESCRIPTION
                         "The workflow - after some delay
                          - polls for release, using an automatic Activity"
  // <Activity List>
  // <Transition Information List>
END_WORKFLOW
```

4.2.2.4.At the Sales Department

The business process definition for the sales department is split into two different processes, the general process (e.g. for processing new orders) which is not further defined in this section, and the Customer Service Request process.

General sales processing

```
WORKFLOW
                           'At_the_Sales_Department'
  CREATED
                           1998-07-15
  NAME
                           "At the Sales Department"
  DESCRIPTION
                           "Process for e.g. new orders -
                           not further described here"
  // <Insert Activity List>
  // <Insert Transition Information List>
END_WORKFLOW
```

Customer service processing

check for request shipping notification

Customer Service

partial shipment request check check quantity notification partial shipment final sipment contact customer notify custome notify manufact suspend til delivered check good arrival

Figure 4-7: Customer Service Processing

The WPDL description details are left as an exercise to the reader.

WORKFLOW 'Customer_Service_Request' CREATED 1998-07-15

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```
NAME "Customer Service Request"
DESCRIPTION "Process handled by the Customer Service"

// <Insert Activity List>
// <Insert Transition Information List>
```

END_WORKFLOW

4.2.3. Common Process for Sales-Order

This paragraph gives a feeling for the WPDL formulation of a central cutout of the Representative Business Example in a common process.. However, it demonstrates only one possible solution. It represents the processing of a sales order, leaving out some details of the example but including all details relevant to synchronization, both within the manufacturing section and between manufacturing and finance. The process is also described in WPDL (again leaving out details).

This example is to demonstrate the possibility of describing processes that involve synchronization. It uses And-Joins to provide the synchronization, and end-of-activities to represent asynchronous events. In regards to the use of an activity and And-Join in this example to handle specification of a maximum-24-hour delay: notifying the customer is a real workflow activity that takes real time. The fact that it's restricted to a maximum of 24 hours is not that important, and is left to the activity implementation.

Sales Order Processing

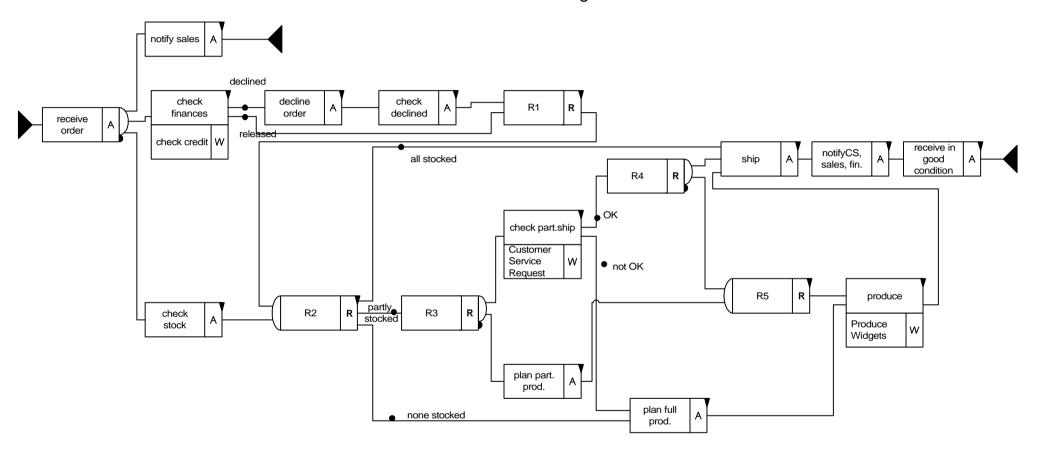


Figure 4-8: Sales Order Processing

In WPDL notation (for simplicity only subflow implementations of an Activity were taken into account, and the performers described in the previous chapters are omitted; also Definition of Workflow Releveant Data is omitted):

```
WORKFLOW
                    'SALES ORDER PROCESSING'
        CREATED
                   1998-07-15
                    "Sales Order Processing "
// <Activity List>
      ACTIVITY 'RECEIVE_ORDER'
        DESCRIPTION "In the mailroom.
                      When sales order comes in, send copies to Sales, Finance, and Mfg."
        IMPLEMENTATION NO
        SPLIT AND
      END_ACTIVITY
      ACTIVITY 'NOTIFY_SALES'
        DESCRIPTION "Track sale, keep customer happy"
       IMPLEMENTATION NO
      END_ACTIVITY
      ACTIVITY 'CHECK_FINANCES'
        DESCRIPTION "Credit-checking process"
        IMPLEMENTATION WORKFLOW SYNCHR 'CHECK_CREDIT'
        SPLIT XOR 'T_5' 'T_4'
      END_ACTIVITY
      ACTIVITY 'CHECK_STOCK'
        DESCRIPTION "First step in manufacturing"
        IMPLEMENTATION NO
      END_ACTIVITY
      ACTIVITY 'DECLINE ORDER'
        DESCRIPTION "Tell customer they haven't credit for order"
        IMPLEMENTATION NO
      END_ACTIVITY
      ACTIVITY 'CHECK_DECLINED'
        DESCRIPTION "Check the stock for declined"
        IMPLEMENTATION NO
      END ACTIVITY
      ACTIVITY 'R1'
        ROUTE
        DESCRIPTION "Proceeed as credit permits"
        JOIN XOR
      END ACTIVITY
      ACTIVITY 'R2'
        DESCRIPTION "Wait for both stock to be checked and order released before
       shipping and production"
        ROUTE
        JOIN AND
        SPLIT XOR 'T_10' 'T_11' 'T_12'
      END ACTIVITY
      ACTIVITY 'R3'
        DESCRIPTION "For partial shipments, check with customer and plan production in
      parallel"
```

```
SPLIT AND
END_ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY 'CHECK_PART_SHIP'
 DESCRIPTION "Ask customer if OK to partial-ship (24 hrs)"
  IMPLEMENTATION WORKFLOW SYNCHR 'Customer_Service_Request'
  SPLIT XOR 'T_15' 'T_16'
END_ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY 'PLAN_PART_PRODUCTION'
 DESCRIPTION "Make plan assuming OK to partial-ship"
  IMPLEMENTATION NO
END_ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY 'R4'
 DESCRIPTION "For partial shipments, partial shipment and production in parallel"
 ROUTE
  SPLIT AND
END_ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY 'R5'
 DESCRIPTION "For partial production, wait until check with customer"
  ROUTE
 JOIN AND
END ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY 'PLAN_FULL_PRODUCTION'
 DESCRIPTION "Either out-of-stock condition or rejection of partial ship can
start full-order planning. Make plan to produce entire order'
 IMPLEMENTATION NO
 JOIN XOR
END_ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY 'PRODUCE'
 DESCRIPTION "Assemble parts, execute plan"
 IMPLEMENTATION WORKFLOW SYNCHR 'PRODUCE_WIDGETS'
 JOIN XOR
END_ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY 'SHIP'
 DESCRIPTION "Ship from stock or production"
  IMPLEMENTATION NO
  JOIN XOR
END ACTIVITY
// In case of partial shipping the 'SHIP' Activity is executed twice.
ACTIVITY 'NOTIFY_SALES_ET_AL'
 DESCRIPTION "Notify Finance on shipping, Sales and CS on
   order fulfilment"
  IMPLEMENTATION NO
END ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY 'RECEIVED_IN_GOOD_CONDITION'
 DESCRIPTION "Notify Finance on shipping, Sales and CS on
    order fulfilment'
  IMPLEMENTATION NO
```

END_ACTIVITY

```
// <Transition Information List>
      TRANSITION 'T_1'
        FROM 'RECEIVE_ORDER'
        TO 'NOTIFY_SALES'
      END_TRANSITION
      TRANSITION 'T_2'
        FROM 'RECEIVE_ORDER'
        TO 'CHECK_FINANCES'
      END_TRANSITION
      TRANSITION 'T_3'
        FROM 'RECEIVE_ORDER'
        TO 'CHECK_STOCK'
      END TRANSITION
      TRANSITION 'T_4'
        DESCRIPTION "Finance did OK the customer's credit"
        FROM 'CHECK_FINANCES'
        TO 'R1'
        OTHERWISE
      END_TRANSITION
      TRANSITION 'T_5'
        DESCRIPTION "Finance did not OK the customer's credit"
        FROM 'CHECK_FINANCES'
        TO 'DECLINE_ORDER'
        CONDITION CreditStatus = "NOT OK"
      END_TRANSITION
      TRANSITION 'T 6'
        FROM 'DECLINE_ORDER'
        TO 'CHECK_DECLINED'
      END_TRANSITION
      TRANSITION 'T_7'
        FROM 'CHECK_DECLINED'
        TO 'R1'
      END_TRANSITION
      TRANSITION 'T_8'
        DESCRIPTION "Sales order released, allow full or partial shipment to proceed"
        FROM 'R1'
        TO 'R2'
      END TRANSITION
      TRANSITION 'T 9'
        FROM 'CHECK_STOCK'
        TO 'R2'
      END_TRANSITION
      TRANSITION 'T_10'
        DESCRIPTION "Ordered items all in stock"
        FROM 'R2'
        TO SHIP
        CONDITION StockedStatus = "All"
      END_TRANSITION
      TRANSITION 'T_11'
        DESCRIPTION "Ordered items partly in stock"
        FROM 'R2'
        TO 'R3'
        CONDITION StockedStatus = "Partial"
      END_TRANSITION
```

```
TRANSITION 'T_12'
 DESCRIPTION "Ordered items not in stock"
 FROM 'R2'
 TO 'PLAN_FULL_PRODUCTION'
 OTHERWISE
END_TRANSITION
TRANSITION 'T_13'
 DESCRIPTION "After wait for both stock to be checked and order released ask
customer about partial ship"
 FROM 'R3'
 TO 'CHECK_PART_SHIP'
END_TRANSITION
TRANSITION 'T_14'
 FROM 'R3'
 TO 'PLAN_PART_PRODUCTION'
END_TRANSITION
TRANSITION 'T_15'
 DESCRIPTION "Partial ship is approved"
  FROM 'CHECK_PART_SHIP'
 TO 'R4'
 CONDITION PartialShipStatus = "OK"
END_TRANSITION
TRANSITION 'T_16'
 DESCRIPTION "Partial ship is not approved"
 FROM 'CHECK_PART_SHIP'
 TO 'PLAN_FULL_PRODUCTION'
 OTHERWISE
END_TRANSITION
TRANSITION 'T_17'
 FROM 'PLAN_PART_PRODUCTION'
 TO 'R5'
END_TRANSITION
TRANSITION 'T_18'
 FROM 'PLAN_FULL_PRODUCTION'
 TO 'PRODUCE'
END_TRANSITION
TRANSITION 'T_19'
 FROM 'R4'
 TO 'SHIP'
END_TRANSITION
TRANSITION 'T_20'
 FROM 'R4'
 TO 'R5'
END_TRANSITION
TRANSITION 'T_21'
 FROM 'R5'
 TO 'PRODUCE'
END TRANSITION
TRANSITION 'T_22'
 FROM 'PRODUCE'
 TO 'SHIP'
END_TRANSITION
TRANSITION 'T_23'
 DESCRIPTION "After shipping, always notify other departments"
  FROM 'SHIP'
```

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TO 'NOTIFY_FINANCE_ET_AL'
END_TRANSITION

TRANSITION 'T_24'

 ${\tt DESCRIPTION}$ "Customer Service is to be checking good receipt of partial and full shipping"

FROM 'NOTIFY_FINANCE_ET_AL'
TO 'RECEIVED_IN_GOOD_CONDITION'

END_TRANSITION

END_WORKFLOW

5. Further Examples

5.1. Subflow Example

The following example demonstrates the implementation of a refinement as an Inline Block. In addition the example demonstrates the use of Extended Attributes.

The "native" notation of the vendor who provided this example, although somewhat relating to WPDL, differs especially in the formulation of the Activities. The example in the native description uses the vendor's notion of subflows to represent a refinement. In WPDL for this feature the inline block notation is provided. Pre- and Post-Conditions in fact are a redundant listing of pre- and successor nodes in the flow.

5.1.1. Description and native Flow Definition

5.1.1.1. Cutout of top level process

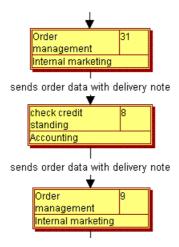


Figure 5-1: Sample Top-level Process

Native notation describing this process:

```
ACTIVITY
                                   "Order_management.9"
NAME
                                    "Order management.9"
DESCRIPTION
                                                 "V_Order_management.9"
IMPLEMENTATION
                                   WORKFLOW
CHARACTERISTIC
                                   NORMAL
DOCUMENTATION
                                   "( check_credit_standing.8 )"
PRE CONDITION
POST_CONDITION
                                    "( general_paper_work.11 )"
PARTICIPANT
                                    "Internal_marketing"
START_MODE
                                   MANIJAL
FINISH_MODE
                                   MANUAL
WAITING_TIME
                                   Λ
DURATION
                                   3600
```

```
COST
                          0.00
                                           44.391972
EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE
                          X_POS
                         Y_POS
                                           62.630359
EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE
                          QUANTITY
                                                 0
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
END_ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY
                               "check_credit_standing.8"
NAME
                               "check credit standing.8"
DESCRIPTION
IMPLEMENTATION
                               WORKFLOW
                                          "V_check_credit_standing.8"
CHARACTERISTIC
                               NORMAL
DOCUMENTATION
                               "( Order_management.31 )"
PRE_CONDITION
                               "( Order_management.9 )"
POST CONDITION
PARTICIPANT
                               "Accounting"
                               MANUAL
START_MODE
FINISH_MODE
                               MANUAL
WAITING_TIME
                               3600
DURATION
COST
                         0.00
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                         X_POS
                                          41.676505
                                          56.604867
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                          Y_POS
                          QUANTITY
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                 0
END_ACTIVITY
// ----- TRANSITION
TRANSITION
NAME
DESCRIPTION
                               "Order_management.31"
FROM
TO
                               "check_credit_standing.8"
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                          TRANS_TYPE
                                       INFO_TRANS
                                                 "order_data"
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                          INFORMATION
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                        VARIABLECOSTS
                                                0.00
EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE
                        FIXEDCOSTS
                                                0.00
                                              600
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                         TRANSPORTTIME
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                         ITEMCOUNT
                                                 1
EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE
                          DESTINATIONCOUNT
END_TRANSITION
TRANSITION
NAME
DESCRIPTION
FROM
                          "check_credit_standing.8"
                          "Order_management.9"
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                        TRANS_TYPE
                                                INFO_TRANS
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                         INFORMATION
                                                "order_data"
                                                0.00
                         VARIABLECOSTS
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                0.00
600
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                          FIXEDCOSTS
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                          TRANSPORTTIME
                         ITEMCOUNT
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                1
                         DESTINATIONCOUNT
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
END_TRANSITION
```

5.1.1.2. Refinement of the activity 'check credit standing'

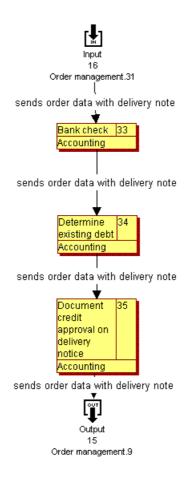


Figure 5-2: Refinement of the activity 'check credit standing'

Native notation describing this refinement:

```
// ======= Workflow
WORKFLOW
                            "V_check_credit_standing.8"
NAME
                            "V: check credit standing.8"
DESCRIPTION
// ----- ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY
                            "Input.16"
                            "Input.16"
NAME
DESCRIPTION
IMPLEMENTATION
                            ATOMIC
CHARACTERISTIC
                            BEGIN
DOCUMENTATION
                            "( Bank_check.33 )"
POST_CONDITION
                            0
PRIORITY
DURATION
                      X_POS
Y_POS
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                      96.629213
EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE
                                      7.874016
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                      BEGIN
                                      0
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                      END
                                       0
EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE
                      JOBS
END_ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY
                            "Document_credit_approval_on_delivery_notice.35"
                            "Document credit approval on delivery notice.35"
NAME
DESCRIPTION
```

```
IMPLEMENTATION
                                 ATOMIC
CHARACTERISTIC
                                 NORMAL
DOCUMENTATION
                                 "( Determine_existing_debt.34 )"
PRE_CONDITION
                                 "( Output.15 )"
POST_CONDITION
PARTICIPANT
                                 "Accounting"
START_MODE
                                 MANUAL
FINISH_MODE
                                 MANUAL
WAITING_TIME
DURATION
                                 90
COST
                           0.00
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                             99.625468
                           X_POS
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                           Y_POS
                                             75.590551
EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE
                           QUANTITY
                                                   0
END_ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY
                                 "Determine_existing_debt.34"
NAME
                            "Determine existing debt.34"
DESCRIPTION
IMPLEMENTATION
                                 ATOMIC
CHARACTERISTIC
                                 NORMAL
DOCUMENTATION
                                 "( Bank_check.33 )"
PRE_CONDITION
                                 "( Document_credit_approval_on_delivery_notice.35 )"
POST_CONDITION
PARTICIPANT
                                 "Accounting"
START_MODE
                                 MANUAL
                                MANUAL
FINISH_MODE
WAITING TIME
DURATION
                                 450
                           0.00
COST
EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE
                                            100.000000
                           X_POS
                          Y_POS
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                            55.118110
                          QUANTITY
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                   0
END_ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY
                                 "Bank_check.33"
NAME
                            "Bank check.33"
DESCRIPTION
IMPLEMENTATION
                                 ATOMIC
CHARACTERISTIC
                                 NORMAL
DOCUMENTATION
                                 "( Input.16 )"
PRE_CONDITION
POST_CONDITION
                                 "( Determine_existing_debt.34 )"
                                 "Accounting"
PARTICIPANT
START_MODE
                                 MANUAL
FINISH_MODE
                                 MANUAL
WAITING_TIME
DURATION
                                 1620
                           0.00
COST
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                           X_POS
                                             99.625468
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                           Y_POS
                                             32.480315
                           QUANTITY
EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE
                                                   Ω
END_ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY
                                 "Output.15"
NAME
                            "Output.15"
DESCRIPTION
                                 ATOMIC
IMPLEMENTATION
CHARACTERISTIC
                                 END
DOCUMENTATION
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                           X_POS
                                             97.378277
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                            Y_POS
                                             100.000000
END_ACTIVITY
// ----- TRANSITION
TRANSITION
```

```
NAME
DESCRIPTION
                            "Input.16"
FROM
                            "Bank_check.33"
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                   INFO_TRANS
                            TRANS_TYPE
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                            INFORMATION
                                                    "order_data"
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                    0.00
                            VARIABLECOSTS
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                           FIXEDCOSTS
                                                   0.00
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                           TRANSPORTTIME
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                           ITEMCOUNT
                                                    1
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                           DESTINATIONCOUNT
                                                    1
END_TRANSITION
TRANSTITION
                            11 11
DESCRIPTION
FROM
                            "Document_credit_approval_on_delivery_notice.35"
                            "Output.15"
                            TRANS_TYPE
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                    INFO_TRANS
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                           INFORMATION
                                                    "order_data"
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                          VARIABLECOSTS
                                                   0.00
                          FIXEDCOSTS
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                   0.00
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                            TRANSPORTTIME
                           ITEMCOUNT
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                    1
EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE
                                                  1
                           DESTINATIONCOUNT
END_TRANSITION
TRANSITION
NAME
DESCRIPTION
                            "Determine_existing_debt.34"
FROM
TO
                            "Document_credit_approval_on_delivery_notice.35"
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                            TRANS TYPE
                                                   INFO_TRANS
                                                    "order_data"
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                            INFORMATION
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                            VARIABLECOSTS
                                                   0.00
                          FIXEDCOSTS
EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE
                                                   0.00
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                           TRANSPORTTIME
                                                  3600
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                           ITEMCOUNT
                                                    1
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                            DESTINATIONCOUNT
END_TRANSITION
TRANSITION
NAME
DESCRIPTION
FROM
                            "Bank_check.33"
                            "Determine_existing_debt.34"
                                       INFO_TRANS
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                           TRANS_TYPE
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                           INFORMATION
                                                    "order_data"
                                                   0.00
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                           VARIABLECOSTS
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                            FIXEDCOSTS
                                                    0.00
                                                   3600
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                            TRANSPORTTIME
                           ITEMCOUNT
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                    1
EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                          DESTINATIONCOUNT
END_TRANSITION
```

5.1.2. WPDL Description

```
// ======== Model

MODEL 'Inline_Block_Example'

WPDL_VERSION "7.0 Beta"

VENDOR "..."

CREATED 1998-07-15

NAME "Inline Block Example"
```

```
DESCRIPTION
// ======== Workflow
WORKFLOW
                              'Order management'
                               "Order management"
    NAME
    DESCRIPTION
// ----- ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY
                               'Order_management.31'
    NAME
                               "Order management.31"
    IMPLEMENTATION
                               NO
END_ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY
                               'Order_management.9'
                               "Order management.9"
    NAME
    DESCRIPTION
    IMPLEMENTATION
                               NO
                               'Internal_marketing'
    PERFORMER
    START_MODE
                              MANUAL
    FINISH_MODE
                              MANUAL
    WAITING_TIME
                               Ω
    DURATION
                               3600
                               "0.00"
    COST
    DOCUMENTATION
    INLINE_BLOCK_BEGIN
                               'V_Order_management.9'
    INLINE_BLOCK_BEGIN
END_INLINE_BLOCK_BEGIN
                               'X_POS' FLOAT 44.391972
'Y_POS' FLOAT 62.630359
'QUANTITY' INTEGER 0
    EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                              'X_POS'
    EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
    EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
END_ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY
                               'general_paper_work.11'
                               "general paper work.11"
    NAME
    IMPLEMENTATION
                               NO
    INLINE_BLOCK_END
                               'V_Order_management.9'
END_ACTIVITY
                               'check_credit_standing.8'
ACTIVITY
    NAME
                               "check credit standing.8"
    DESCRIPTION
                               NO
    IMPLEMENTATION
    PERFORMER
                               'Accounting'
    START_MODE
                               MANUAL
    FINISH_MODE
                               MANUAL
    WAITING_TIME
                              3600
    DURATION
    COST
                               "0.00"
    DOCUMENTATION
    INLINE_BLOCK_BEGIN
                               'V_check_credit_standing.8'
    END_INLINE_BLOCK_BEGIN
                               "Y_POS' FLOAT
                              'X_POS'
    EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                       41.676505
                                          FLOAT 56.604867
    EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                               'QUANTITY' INTEGER
    EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
END_ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY
                               'check_credit_standing_last'
                               "check credit standing_last"
    NAME
    ROUTE
    INLINE_BLOCK_END
                              'V_check_credit_standing.8'
END_ACTIVITY
             Inline Block 'V_check_credit_standing.8'
//
ACTIVITY
                               'Input.16'
```

"Input.16"

NAME

```
11 11
     DESCRIPTION
     IMPLEMENTATION
                                 NO
     PERFORMER
                                 'Somebody'
                                                          // added
                                 0
     PRIORITY
     DURATION
                                 Ω
                                 11 11
     DOCUMENTATION
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                'X_POS'
                                             FLOAT
                                                          96.629213
                                'Y_POS'
                                             FLOAT
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                          7.874016
     EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE
                                'BEGIN'
                                             INTEGER
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                'END'
                                            INTEGER
                                                          0
                                            INTEGER
                                                          0
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                'JOBS'
END_ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY
                                'Document_credit_approval_on_delivery_notice.35'
                                 "Document credit approval on delivery notice.35"
     NAME
     DESCRIPTION
     IMPLEMENTATION
                                NO
     PERFORMER
                                 'Accounting'
     START_MODE
                                MANUAL
     FINISH_MODE
                                MANUAL
     WAITING_TIME
     DURATION
                                90
     COST
                                 "0.00"
     DOCUMENTATION
                                --_ros' FLOAT
     EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE
                                'X_POS'
                                                         99.625468
                                'Y_POS' FLOAT
'QUANTITY' INTEGER
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                         75.590551
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                          Λ
END ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY
                                 'Determine_existing_debt.34'
                                 "Determine existing debt.34"
    NAME
                                 11 11
     DESCRIPTION
     IMPLEMENTATION
                                NO
     PERFORMER
                                 'Accounting'
                                MANUAL
     START_MODE
     FINISH_MODE
                                MANUAL
     WAITING_TIME
                                0
     DURATION
                                450
     COST
                                 "0.00"
                                ....
     DOCUMENTATION
                                            FLOAT
FLOAT
                                'X_POS'
                                                          100.000000
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
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     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
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                                'QUANTITY' INTEGER
                                                          0
END_ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY
                                'Bank_check.33'
    NAME
                                "Bank check.33"
                                ....
     DESCRIPTION
     IMPLEMENTATION
                                NO
     PERFORMER
                                 'Accounting'
     START_MODE
                                MANUAL
     FINISH MODE
                                MANUAL
     WAITING_TIME
     DURATION
                                1620
     COST
                                "0.00"
     DOCUMENTATION
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FLOAT
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                                'Y_POS'
                                                          32.480315
     EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE
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     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                          Ω
END_ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY
                                 'Output.15'
    NAME
                                 "Output.15"
     DESCRIPTION
     IMPLEMENTATION
                                NO
                                                          // added
     PERFORMER
                                 'Automatic'
     DOCUMENTATION
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FLOAT

97.378277

'X POS'

EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE

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FLOAT
     EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE
                                   'Y_POS'
                                                             100.000000
END ACTIVITY
//
              Inline Block 'V_Order_management.9'
ACTIVITY
                                   'Order_management.9.body'
                                   "Order management.9.body"
     NAME
     DESCRIPTION
                                   NO
     IMPLEMENTATION
     PERFORMER
                                   'Somebody'
                                                             // added
     PRIORITY
                                   0
     DURATION
                                   Ω
     DOCUMENTATION
                                   11 11
                                 'X_POS'
'Y_POS'
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     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
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     EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE
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                                  'BEGIN'
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                                  'END'
                                               INTEGER
                                                             Ω
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
     EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE
                                  'JOBS'
                                               INTEGER
                                                             0
END_ACTIVITY
// ----- TRANSITION Information
                                   'Transition 1'
TRANSITION
     NAME
                                   'Order_management.31'
     FROM
                                   'check_credit_standing.8'
     TO
     DESCRIPTION
     EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE
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                                                      STRING
                                                                    "INFO_TRANS"
                                 'INFORMATION'
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                      STRING
                                                                    "order_data"
                                 'VARIABLECOSTS' FLOAT
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
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'TRANSPORTTIME' INTEGER
'ITEMCOUNT' INTEGER
'DESTINATE'
                                'FIXEDCOSTS'
     EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE
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     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE

TOTAL BUTE
                                                     INTEGER
                                                                   600
                                  'DESTINATIONCOUNT' INTEGER
END_TRANSITION
TRANSITION
                                   'Transition 2'
     NAME
     FROM
                                   'check_credit_standing_last'
     TO
                                   'Order_management.9'
     DESCRIPTION
                                  'TRANS_TYPE' STRING
'INFORMATION' STRING
'VARIABLECOSTS' FLOAT
'FIXEDCOSTS' FLOAT
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                                   "INFO_TRANS"
                                                                    "order_data"
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
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                                 'FIXEDCOSTS'
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                                    0.00
                                 'TRANSPORTTIME' INTEGER
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                                   600
                                  'ITEMCOUNT'
     EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE
                                                     INTEGER
                                  'DESTINATIONCOUNT' INTEGER
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
END_TRANSITION
//
              Inline Blocks Connect
TRANSTITON
                                   'Block_connect 1'
NAME
                                   'Order_management.9'
     FROM
     TO
                                   'Order_management.9.body'
     DESCRIPTION
                                   "Connection Begin"
                                   'TRANS_TYPE' STRING
'INFORMATION' STRING
                                                                    "INFO_TRANS"
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                  'INFORMATION'
                                 'INFORMATION'
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'FIXEDCOSTS' FLOAT
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'ITEMCOUNT' INTEGER
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     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
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     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
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EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE
                                  'DESTINATIONCOUNT' INTEGER
END_TRANSITION
TRANSITION
                                  'Block_connect 2'
    NAME
     FROM
                                  'Order_management.9.body'
     TO
                                  'general_paper_work.11'
     DESCRIPTION
                                  "Connection End"
     EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE
                                 'TRANS_TYPE'
                                                    STRING
                                                                  "INFO_TRANS"
                                 'INFORMATION'
                                 'INFORMATION' STRING
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     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
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     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                  'FIXEDCOSTS'
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                                                   INTEGER
                                 'TRANSPORTTIME'
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                                 Ω
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                 'ITEMCOUNT'
                                                    TNTEGER
                                                                 1
                                 'DESTINATIONCOUNT' INTEGER
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
END_TRANSITION
TRANSITION
                                 'Block_connect 3'
    NAME
     FROM
                                 'check_credit_standing.8'
     TO
                                  'Input.16'
     DESCRIPTION
                                  "Connection Begin"
                                STRING STRING STRING
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                                  "INFO_TRANS"
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                'VARIABLECOSTS' FLOAT
     EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE
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                                 'FIXEDCOSTS' FLOAT
'TRANSPORTTIME' INTEGER
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                 'FIXEDCOSTS'
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     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                                 Ω
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                  'ITEMCOUNT'
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                                 'DESTINATIONCOUNT' INTEGER
     EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE
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END_TRANSITION
TRANSITION
                                 'Block_connect 4'
    NAME
     FROM
                                  'Output.15'
     TO
                                  'check_credit_standing_last'
     DESCRIPTION
                                  "Connection End"
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                 'TRANS_TYPE'
                                                    STRING
                                                                  "INFO_TRANS"
                                  'VARIABLECOSTS' FILOR
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                 'INFORMATION'
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
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     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                 'FIXEDCOSTS'
                                                    FLOAT
                                                                  0.00
                                 'TRANSPORTTIME'
     EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE
                                                                 Ω
                                                   INTEGER
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                 'ITEMCOUNT'
                                                    INTEGER
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                 'DESTINATIONCOUNT' INTEGER
                                                                  1
END_TRANSITION
//
              Inline Block 'V_check_credit_standing.8'
TRANSITION
                                  'Transition 3'
NAME
     FROM
                                  'Input.16'
                                  'Bank_check.33'
     TO
     DESCRIPTION
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                 'TRANS TYPE'
                                                   STRING
                                                                  "INFO_TRANS"
                                  'VARIABLECOSTS' FILOR
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                 'INFORMATION'
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                                 'FIXEDCOSTS'
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                                 'TRANSPORTTIME'
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                    INTEGER
                                                                 Ω
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                 'ITEMCOUNT'
                                                    INTEGER
                                                                  1
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                 'DESTINATIONCOUNT' INTEGER
END_TRANSITION
                                  'Transition 4'
TRANSITION
     NAME
     FROM
                                  'Document_credit_approval_on_delivery_notice.35'
                                  'Output.15'
     TO
     DESCRIPTION
```

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```
"INFO TRANS"
     EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE
                                 'TRANS TYPE'
                                                    STRING
                                 'INFORMATION'
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                    STRING
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     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
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                                 'FIXEDCOSTS' FLOAT
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     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
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     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                                0
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
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                                                    INTEGER
                                                                 1
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                 'DESTINATIONCOUNT' INTEGER
                                                                 1
END_TRANSITION
                                 'Transition 5'
TRANSITION
    NAME
     FROM
                                 'Determine_existing_debt.34'
    TΟ
                                 'Document_credit_approval_on_delivery_notice.35'
    DESCRIPTION
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                 'TRANS_TYPE'
                                                   STRING
                                                                 "INFO_TRANS"
                                 'VARIABLECOSTS' FLOAT
'FIXEDCOSTS'
                                 'INFORMATION'
    EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                                 "order_data"
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
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     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
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'ITEMCOUNT' INTEGER
    EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
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     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                 'ITEMCOUNT'
                                                                 1
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                 'DESTINATIONCOUNT' INTEGER
                                                                 1
END_TRANSITION
                                 'Transition 6'
TRANSITION
    NAME
     FROM
                                 'Bank_check.33'
                                 'Determine_existing_debt.34'
    TO
     DESCRIPTION
                                 'TRANS_TYPE'
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                    STRING
                                                                 "INFO_TRANS"
                                'INFORMATION'
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                   STRING
                                                                 "order_data"
     EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE
                                'VARIABLECOSTS' FLOAT
                                 'TRANSPORTTIME' INTEGER
'ITEMCOUNT' INTEGER
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                'FIXEDCOSTS'
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     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                                                 3600
     EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
    EXTENDED_ATTRIBUTE
                                'DESTINATIONCOUNT' INTEGER
                                                                 1
END_TRANSITION
END_WORKFLOW
END_MODEL
```

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