Twelve Ways Dodeca Makes Essbase Better

1. **Essbase Made Easy**  Dodeca does not require that users have Essbase training, or even an awareness of Essbase, which allows Essbase to be used more widely across an organization.

2. **More Version Support**  Dodeca significantly reduces maintenance overhead and allows for painless upgrades by supporting every version of Essbase from 6.5.3 through the latest version within a single instance of Dodeca.

3. **Managed Spreadsheet Experience**  Dodeca simplifies accurate spreadsheet-based reporting. Dodeca provides a secure, centralized database to manage spreadsheet templates, which are created and maintained by authorized company spreadsheet experts and consumed by end users.

4. **Simplified Connections**  Dodeca maps the Essbase database connection(s) in the report definition ensuring that users get the correct data from the right database.

5. **Essbase Option Control**  Dodeca administrators control the Essbase options available to users, which eliminates confusion resulting from inappropriate or unfamiliar option choices.

6. **Essbase and Relational Integration**  Dodeca enables seamless read/write integration of both Essbase and relational data within the same workbook and on the same worksheet.

7. **Easier Member Selection**  Dodeca point-of-view selectors can be customized to show only relevant Essbase member names, allowing users to get the information they need more quickly and easily.

8. **Optimized Point-of-View Selectors**  Dodeca uses intelligent caching to make point-of-view selectors faster. The caching significantly reduces the amount of time necessary to show point-of-view selectors, reduces the amount of network traffic, and reduces the workload on the Essbase server.

9. **Customizable Ad-hoc Queries**  Dodeca ad-hoc queries optionally place the user at a relevant, predefined location in the cube, which increases efficiency and minimizes the possibility of errors.

10. **Formatted Drill-through**  Drill-through reports in Dodeca are formatted reports that can leverage Excel features like formulas, charts, and grouping.

11. **Simplified and Flexible Drill-through**  Dodeca supports Essbase drill-through from any Essbase cube to any relational database and does not require Essbase Integration Studio, Essbase Studio, or ERPl.

12. **Accountability**  Dodeca automatically logs any updates made by users to the Essbase database and makes it easy to determine when a change was made, who made the change, and the old and new values.