



## Finance Industry

# Building an ODBC Driver to Enable On Demand Reporting for a Financial Reporting Product on the AIX Platform

### Product

SimbaEngine ODBC SDK

### Customer

An information management and electronic commerce systems provider for the financial services industry

### Key Customer Requirements

- Upgraded, custom ODBC driver compliant with the latest versions of AIX
- Fast time-to-market

### About SimbaEngine ODBC SDK

SimbaEngine ODBC SDK is the easiest and quickest way to enable ODBC, JDBC, OLE DB and ADO.NET data access to both SQL and non-SQL data sources. Using the SDK, users are able to build an ODBC driver, JDBC driver, OLE DB driver and ADO.NET provider for their application or database in as little as five days. SimbaEngine ODBC SDK includes all standards-based data interfaces and Simba's SQL Engine in one package at no extra cost. Learn more at [www.simba.com/odbc-sdk.htm](http://www.simba.com/odbc-sdk.htm).

### About Simba

Simba Technologies Inc. is the recognized world leader in standards-based data access products and solutions. Simba works with leading companies globally to deliver first class data connectivity solutions. Simba is an industry pioneer in relational and multi-dimensional data connectivity, as well as MDX query language technology. For more information, visit [www.simba.com](http://www.simba.com).

“Needing to update its existing ODBC driver to support new AIX platform enhancements, Simba's customer was able to reuse code from its original Simba-built ODBC driver. Simba's comprehensive maintenance program and predictive product path made updating the driver fast and easy. The customer's new ODBC driver provides enhanced functionality and support for the latest AIX advancements.”

Simba's customer, a global provider of information management and electronic commerce systems for the financial services industry, had an ODBC driver that it had built with a much older version of SimbaEngine ODBC SDK. The ODBC driver enabled connectivity with the company's financial reporting product, which interfaces with financial institutions' databases for on demand reporting. The customer's ODBC driver, built to work on the AIX platform, had provided all the functionality that it needed for many years. However, recent industry advancements made the driver incompatible with new versions of the AIX platform. The customer needed a new ODBC driver that would provide continued connectivity to its financial reporting product on the AIX platform.

To provide the updated ODBC data connectivity, the customer returned to Simba. Simba's comprehensive maintenance program and predictive product migration made updating the ODBC driver easy. Even though the customer's ODBC driver was based on an earlier version of SimbaEngine ODBC SDK, Simba's product development followed a stable path so upgrading to the current version presented few issues.

SimbaEngine ODBC SDK supports a wide variety of implementations and data driver development options across the latest 32-bit and 64-bit platforms, including AIX, HP-UX, Solaris, Linux, Windows and Mac. For Simba's customer, this meant that it could easily update its ODBC driver to support the latest AIX platform advancements.

SimbaEngine ODBC SDK provided the customer with a complete framework from which it could build an updated, custom ODBC driver. The SDK provides pre-built components for fast data driver development. Simba worked closely with its customer throughout the upgrade process. Simba's predictive product path meant that the customer was able to reuse most of its code from its original ODBC development effort. As a result, migrating to the latest SimbaEngine ODBC SDK version took very little time, saving the customer money.

Upon completion, Simba's customer had a new ODBC driver for its financial reporting product compatible with the latest versions of AIX. The development cost for the updated ODBC driver fully met the customer's time and budget expectations.