



Derby-based S&A Foods manufactures ethnic ready meals for the major UK supermarket multiples. Perween Warsi CBE, MBE founded the company from her kitchen in 1986. Since then the company has quickly grown to become a leading food manufacturer, with a turnover approaching £100 million.



"As part of our overall IT Strategy to maximise the use of our BPCS ERP system, we identified a requirement for a financial reporting tool. We were very impressed with the sheer flexibility of **mrc** which goes way beyond any normal reporting tool to include development capabilities as well.

mrc has given us the ability to create intranet-based reporting applications that provide real time AS/400 information in a format that the user chooses, including drill-downs and graphical presentation. A number of 'off line' applications performed in Excel are also being replaced with intranet-based **mrc** developed applications.

Our developers have even been wowed. After 4 days of training we saw a dramatic increase in the potential uses for

mrc. It has received rave reviews from both traditional RPG (green screen) programmers and Microsoft VB developers.

With **mrc** we are also looking to develop an Extranet for our third party finished goods picking and distribution service provider. This will significantly reduce the volume of email traffic between both parties and allow us to provide real time information to our decision makers.

In summary **mrc** is revolutionising the application development process at S&A Foods. There are significant improvements in developer productivity and at the same time we can give our user base the information they need in any format."

"MRC enables us to get the best out of BPCS"

John Cutts
IT Manager