



Feature at a GlanceSubcontracting process improvements for component inventory

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Customer challenge

Buyers cannot force suppliers to send component consumption data in real-time or enter consumed components in ship notice items related to subcontracting purchase orders. In addition buyers cannot prevent suppliers from using specific batches of component inventory.

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With this feature, buyers and suppliers can filter components and batches by both the inventory quantity and the available quantity. In addition, buyers can impose one or more additional requirements for component inventory: deactivate individual parts batches to prevent suppliers from using them, require all ship notice items to contain consumed components, and require real-time consumption of selected purchase order items.

Experience key benefits

This feature improves ease of use for buyers and suppliers for managing component inventories and introduces logic to increase compliance to better control inventories and consumptions in a subcontracting process.

Solution area

SAP Ariba Supply Chain Collaboration

Implementation information

This feature is **automatically on** for all customers with the applicable solutions and is ready for immediate use.

Prerequisites and Restrictions

Buyers must be entitled for SAP Ariba Supply Chain Collaboration solution.

Suppliers must have a trading relationship with a buyer entitled for the Supply Chain collaboration solution.

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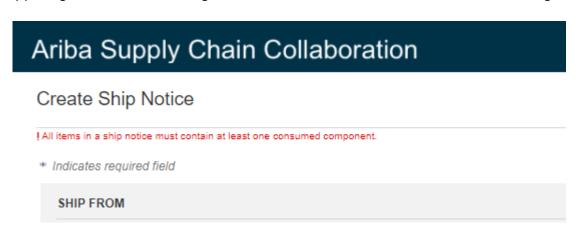
Buyers can deactivate selected component batches so that suppliers cannot consume them anymore.

Buyers can require all items in a ship notice to contain at least one consumed component, either with real-time consumption or in the ship notice itself (if the buyer does not require real-time consumption). In addition to the component inventory batch quantity buyers and suppliers can see **consumed** and **available** quantity per component batch.

In order to activate this logic this feature adds transaction rule Require all items in a ship notice to contain at least one consumed component.



Supplier gets an error message if he/she tries to submit an ASN without having added at least one consumed component.

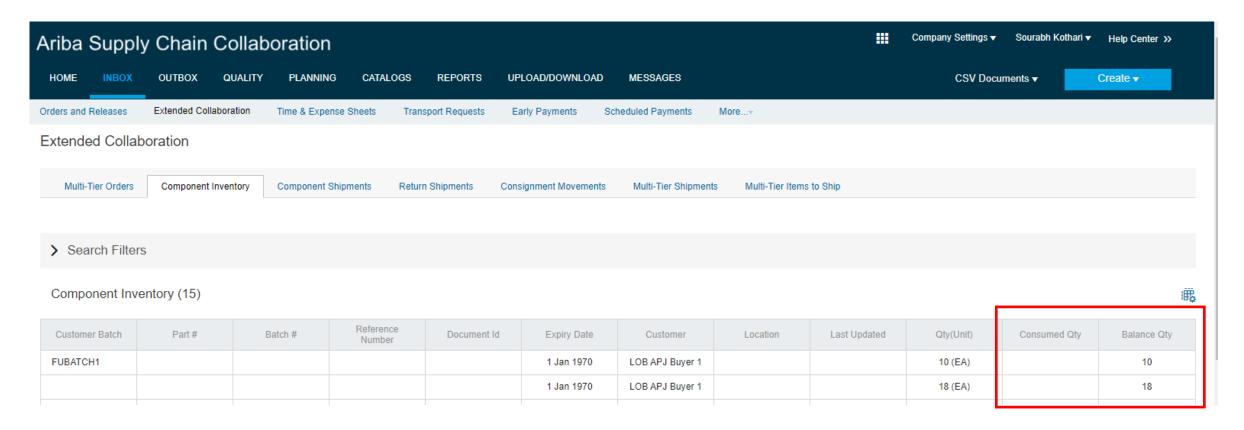


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Supplier User Interface Changes

On the Inbox -> Extended collaboration -> Component inventory page the feature introduces

• Consumed Quantity and Balance Quantity columns

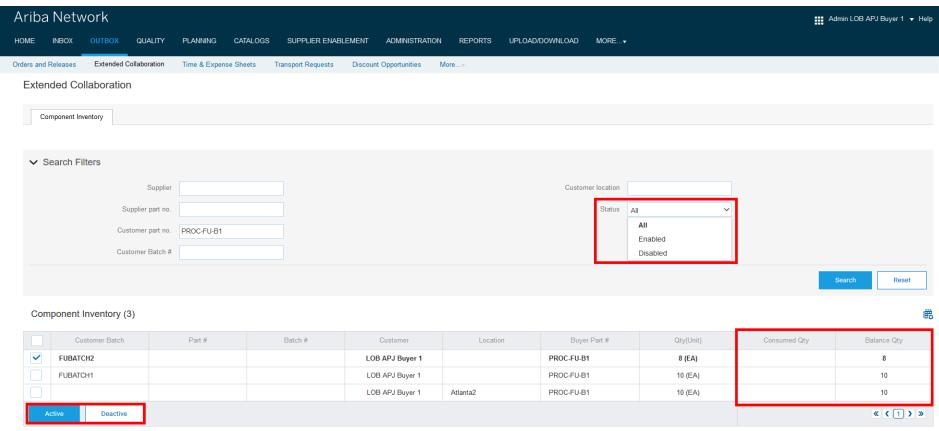


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Buyer User Interface Changes

On the Outbox -> Extended collaboration -> Component inventory page the feature introduces

- Status search filter with choices All, Enabled and Disabled.
- Consumed Quantity and Balance Quantity columns
- Active and Deactive buttons. Click one of these buttons to change the selected records to activate or deactivate status, respectively

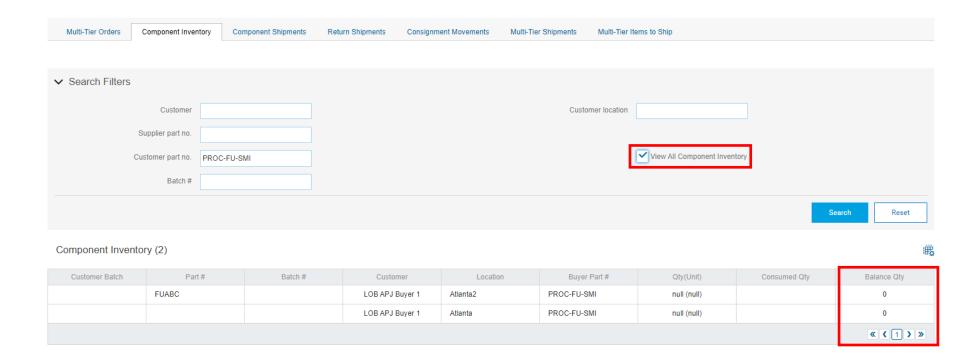


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When the view **View all component inventory** checkbox is checked, records with a Balance quantity of 0 are displayed in the Component inventory table, otherwise those are hidden.



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If a purchase order line item has the cXML attribute **requiresRealTimeConsumption** set to yes, this feature disables the editable fields of the item in the **Consumed Components** section of the **Orders and Releases** \rightarrow **Ship Notice** \rightarrow **Create Ship Notice**.

This action prevents suppliers from using the ship notice to report consumption.

Example cXML:

