

# DMT PowerShell Scripts: Lessons Learned

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# About Rowmark & Epicor

- *Rowmark* is a manufacturer of engravable sheet plastic for Laser and Rotary Engraving, Sublimation and materials for awards and sign markets.
- Went Live with Epicor 9.05 in January, 2013
- Went Live with Epicor 10.0 January, 2015
- Through Multiple acquisitions in 2014 & 2015, Rowmark now operates most of it's distribution network.
- Rowmark has heavily leveraged Epicor for operations, including using DMT & PowerShell to automate several functions.
- At Insights 2016 a very good DMT PowerShell presentation with sample scripts was presented. I had a few ideas and I decided to give it a shot



# Audience Poll

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Which version of Epicor are you running?

- A. Epicor 10.1
- B. Epicor 10.0
- C. Epicor 9
- D. Vantage 8
- E. Prior to Vantage 8

What tools are you familiar with?

- A. DMT
- B. PowerShell
- C. Windows Task Scheduler
- D. Cloud Based Social Platforms  
Slack, HipChat, Socialcast, Jive, etc



## Agenda

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# What You Need

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- DMT License
- Windows Server with PowerShell (WS 2008+)
- Windows Task Scheduler
- PowerShell Reference (google.com)
- DotNetIt GitHub Sample Scripts <https://github.com/DotNetIT/EpicorDMTScripts>
- Email Server (Optional)
- BONUS: SocialCast.com, Slack, HipChat, Jive, Zapier
- PowerShell Novice.
- Problems to solve.





# How It Works

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- This is standard PowerShell.
- Since DMT has built in a command line interface, PowerShell can be used to call the appropriate commands in a nice script.
- The Sample Scripts demonstrate five basic functions:
  - DMT Load
  - DMT BAQ Extract
  - SQL Extract
  - Logging
  - Email
- Get the DMT Arguments:  
CMD Line:  
**DMT.exe /?**  
PowerShell:  
**Start-Process DMT.exe /?**
- Depending on what is needed the PowerShell script can be constructed in different ways.







# What We Did

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- Automated Quantity Adjustments nightly out of a certain bin.
- Customization Bug Workaround – Correct ShipHead Invoice Status when it doesn't match the ShipDtIs
- Lock Qty for any Printed Jobs to prevent MRP Job Change Suggestions
- Evaluate and update OrderHed UD field for user friendly Order Status for custom e-commerce site every hour.
- Set Parts Inactive, if currently RunOut when Inventory is zero.
- Non DMT: MultiCompany Process Stall Check every 15 minutes



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Windows PowerShell ISE
File Edit View Tools Debug Add-ons Help

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1 #Extract Data From From BAQ -> CSV File -> Load in with DMT
2 #Common variables for all DMT Loads
3 $DMTPath = "E:\Epicor\ERP10\LocalClients\E10Live\DMT.exe"
4 $User = "epicordent"
5 $Pass = "password"
6 $datestring = (Get-Date -Format yyyyMMdd-HH)
7
8 #####
9 #Qty Adjust Bin ISALESS#
10 #####
11 #Set Source & Complete Log
12 $Source = "E:\Epicor\EpicorData\DMT\AdjustOutISALESS_$datestring.csv"
13 $completeLog = $Source + ".completeLog.txt"
14
15 #Extract via BAQ AdjustOutISALESS
16 Write-Output "Extracting Data via BAQ $(get-date)"
17 Start-Process -Wait -FilePath $DMTPath -ArgumentList "-user $User -Pass $Pass -Export -BAQ AdjustOutISALESS"
18
19 #Load Data
20 Write-Output "Loading Data $(get-date)" $Source
21 Start-Process -Wait -FilePath $DMTPath -ArgumentList "-user $User -Pass $Pass -Add -Import "Quantity Adj"
22
23 #Check Results
24 select-string -Path $completeLog -Pattern "Records:\d+(\d+\/\d+)" -AllMatches | % { $_.Matches.Groups(0).Value }
25 select-string -Path $completeLog -Pattern "Errors:\d+(\d+)" -AllMatches | % { $_.Matches.Groups(0).Value }
26 Add-Content $completeLog "r n#DMTQtyAdj"
27
28 #Email Results to Socialcast
29 $emailBody = (Get-Content $completeLog -Raw) out-string)
30 Send-MailMessage -From epicor@yourcompany.com -Subject "Epicor DMT ISALESS Qty Adj Complete" -To share@yourcompany.com
31
32 #####
33 #Lock Qty on Printed Jobs#
34 #####
35 #Set Source & Complete Log
36 $Source = "E:\Epicor\EpicorData\DMT\JobsPrinted_$datestring.csv"
37 $completeLog = $Source + ".completeLog.txt"
38
39 #Extract Data via BAQ JobsPrinted
40 Write-Output "Extracting Data via BAQ $(get-date)"
41 Start-Process -Wait -FilePath $DMTPath -ArgumentList "-user $User -Pass $Pass -Export -BAQ JobsPrinted -To Socialcast"
42
43 #Load Data
44 Write-Output "Loading Data $(get-date)" $Source
45 Start-Process -Wait -FilePath $DMTPath -ArgumentList "-user $User -Pass $Pass -Update -Import "Job Header"
46
47 #Check Results
48 select-string -Path $completeLog -Pattern "Records:\d+(\d+\/\d+)" -AllMatches | % { $_.Matches.Groups(0).Value }
49 select-string -Path $completeLog -Pattern "Errors:\d+(\d+)" -AllMatches | % { $_.Matches.Groups(0).Value }
50 Add-Content $completeLog "r n#JobPrintedQtyLock"
51
52 #Email Results to Socialcast
53 $emailBody = (Get-Content $completeLog -Raw) out-string)
54 Send-MailMessage -From epicor@yourcompany.com -Subject "Epicor DMT Jobs Printed Qty Locked Complete" -To share@yourcompany.com
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PS C:\Users\rbird\OneDrive\Career\Epicor\Epicor Insights 2017\DMT 00NetIt Samples>
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# Struggles

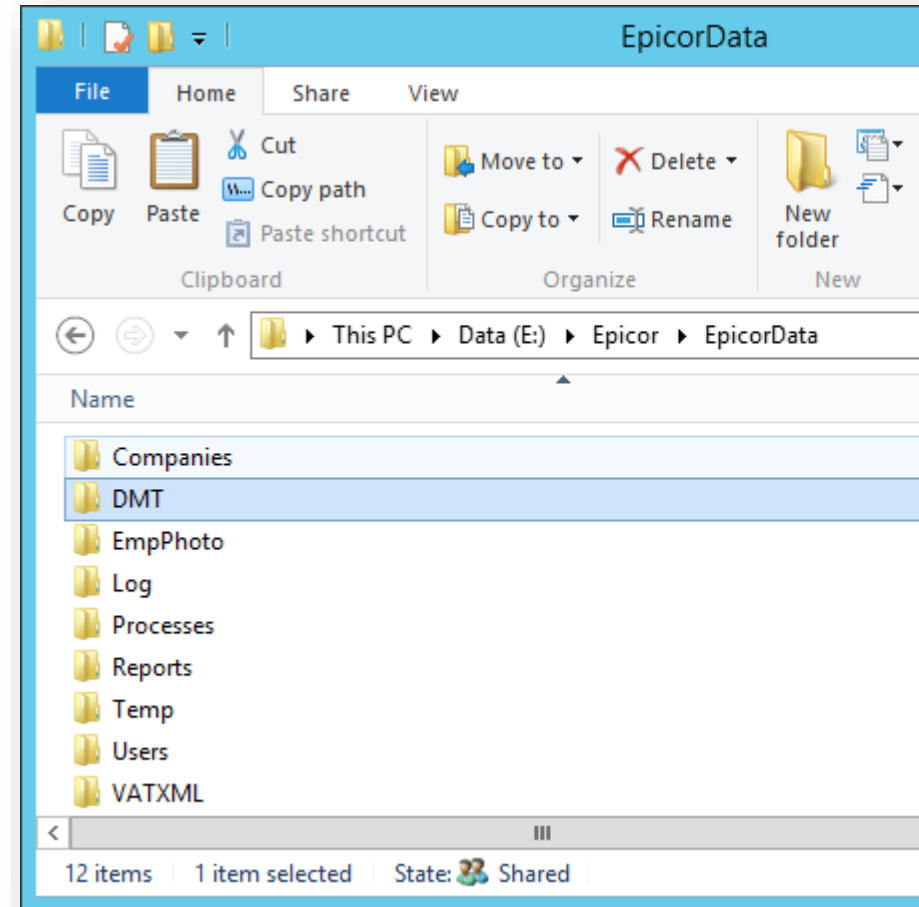
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- Primary issue I had was being a PowerShell novice and not understanding the syntax requirements
  - How to call a DMT Import argument with spaces.
    - *Example scripts did not have multi word Import arguments.*
    - *PowerShell's Escape character: The Backtick AKA Grave Accent*
  - DMT Epicor User Scope
    - *Create a DMT user for automated loads that has the appropriate company and module access.*



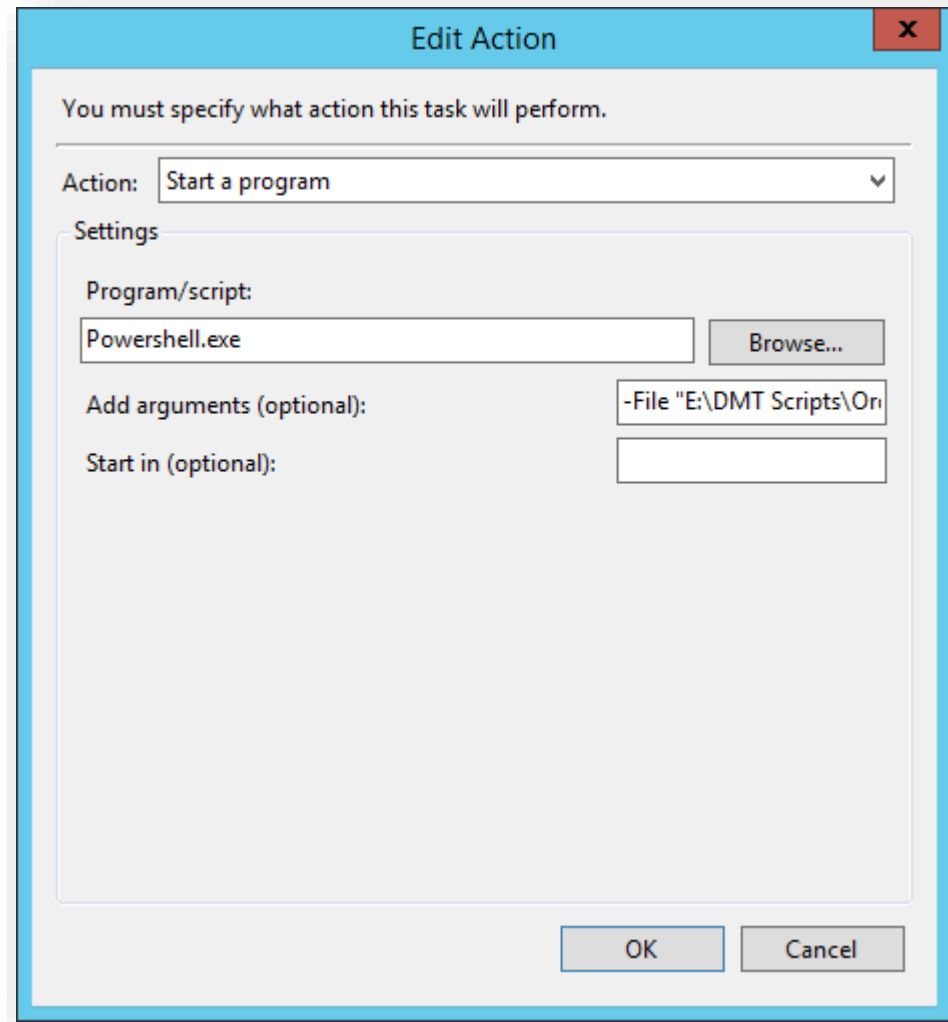
# What We Did, Step By Step

- Install DMT on your Epicor App Server
- Create a DMT folder in the EpicorData folder for DMT Load and Log files.
- Each script basically does 4 steps:
  - Extract Data to be loaded by DMT with a BAQ
    - *BAQ Contains Calculation Fields for New or Updated values.*
  - Load the extracted BAQ csv file via DMT
  - Check the DMT Log File
  - Email the DMT Load results & Log file.

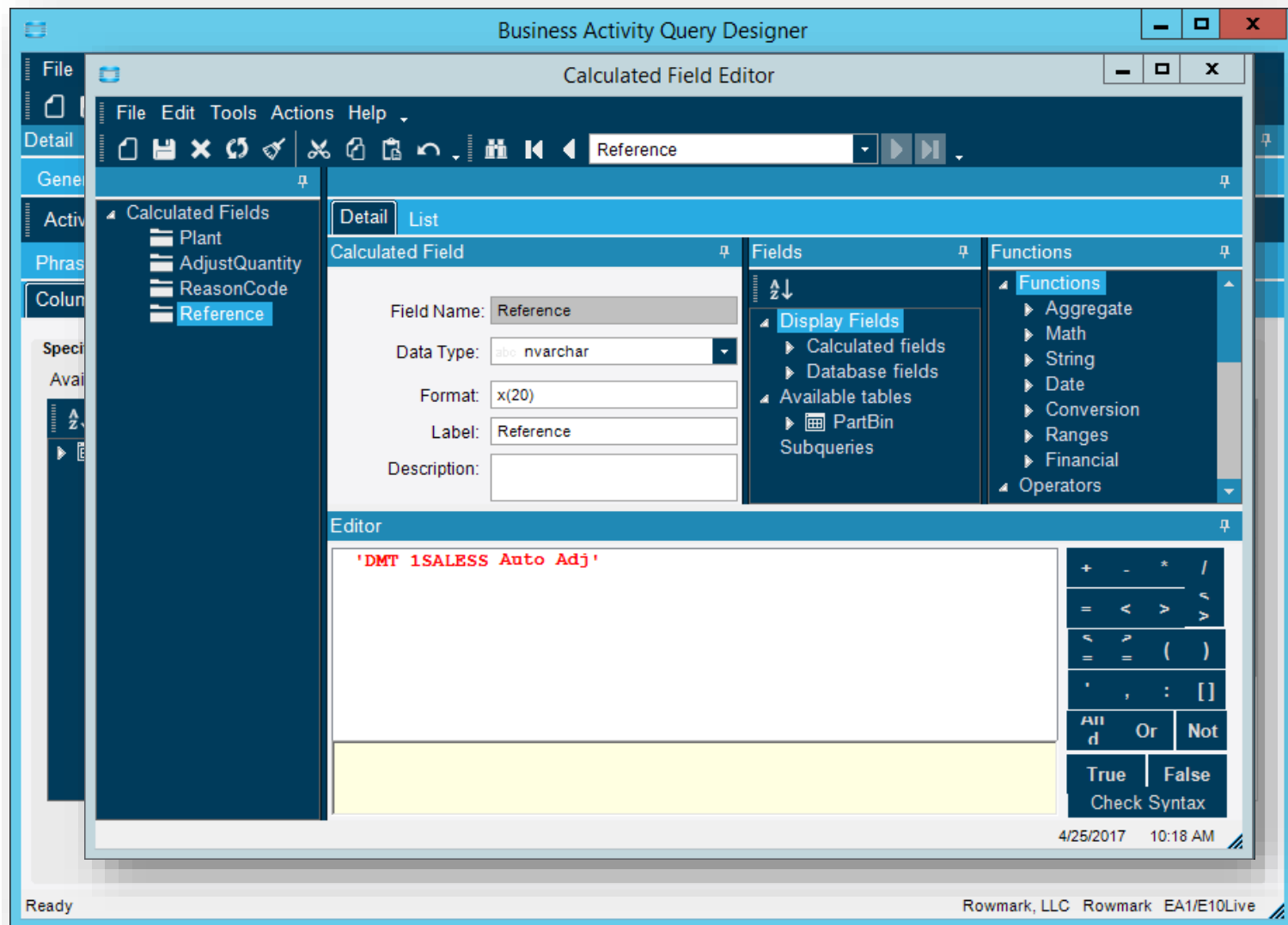


# What We Did, Step By Step

- Schedule the PowerShell Script:
  - Open the Windows Task Scheduler
  - Create Basic Task
    - *Configure the Trigger (Time or Server Events)*
    - *Configure the Action as 'Start a program'*
    - *Set Program/script to 'Powershell.exe'*
    - *Set the arguments to '-File "[the location of your PS script]"*
- Depending on your scheduling needs you may create one PowerShell script on one or more schedules or multiple scripts on one or more schedules.



# What We Did, Step By Step: The Quantity Adjust BAQ



# What We Did, Step By Step: Lock Job Quantity BAQ

The screenshot displays the Business Activity Query Designer (BAQ) application window. The title bar reads "Business Activity Query Designer". The menu bar includes "File", "Edit", "Tools", "Actions", and "Help". The toolbar contains various icons for file operations and query execution. The "JobsPrinted" query is selected in the dropdown menu. The "Detail" tab is active, showing the "Query Results" section. The results are displayed in a table with the following columns: Company, Plant, JobNum, PartNum, and LockQty. The table contains 13 rows of data, all with "true" in the LockQty column. Below the table, the "Query Execution Messages" section shows the following text: "Query returned 86 row(s).", "Query has no more records to return.", and "Query execution total time: 30.9166 ms.". At the bottom, there are buttons for "Analyze...", "Test...", and "Clear Grid". The "Rows To Return" dropdown is set to "All". The "Updatable Query" section includes buttons for "Get List", "Update", "Get New", and "Run Custom". The status bar at the bottom indicates "Ready" and "Rowmark, LLC Rowmark EA1/E10Live".

Company	Plant	JobNum	PartNum	LockQty
ROW	FDY01	200858	122582	true
ROW	FDY01	200926	132235	true
ROW	FDY01	200927	132402	true
ROW	FDY01	200868	142932	true
ROW	FDY01	200881	243402	true
ROW	FDY01	200875	243912	true
ROW	FDY01	200899	3112148	true
ROW	FDY01	200900	3113048	true
ROW	FDY01	200901	3114138	true
ROW	FDY01	200902	3118088	true
ROW	FDY01	200903	3118118	true
ROW	FDY01	200867	442200	true
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Query Execution Messages  
Query returned 86 row(s).  
Query has no more records to return.  
Query execution total time: 30.9166 ms.

Analyze... Test... Clear Grid

Rows To Return: All

Updatable Query: Get List Update Get New Run Custom

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# What We Did, Step By Step: The Pack Head Bug BAQ

Business Activity Query Designer

File Edit Tools Actions Help

Detail

General Query Builder Update Analyze Where Used BAQ Search

Active SubQuery: SubQuery1

Phrase Build Display Fields SubQuery Options SubQuery List

Column Select Sort Order

Specify the columns to be displayed

Available Columns

- ShipHead
- SubQuery2

Display Column(s)

Alias	Label	Format	Group By
ShipHead_Company	Company	x(8)	<input type="checkbox"/>
ShipHead_PackNum	PackNum	>>>>>>>9	<input type="checkbox"/>
Calculated_Invoiced	Invoiced	x(8)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Calculated_ShipStatus	ShipStatus	x(8)	<input type="checkbox"/>
ShipHead_Invoiced	Invoiced	yes/no	<input type="checkbox"/>
ShipHead_ShipStatus	Status	x(12)	<input type="checkbox"/>

Ready

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# What We Did, Step By Step: The Order Head UD Field BAQ

Business Activity Query Designer

File Edit Tools Actions Help

ROW-WebOrderStatus-DMT

Detail

General Query Builder Update **Analyze** Where Used BAQ Search

Query Results

Drag a column header here to group by that column.

Company	OrderNum	ShortChar03
ROWBVBA	71454	INVOICED
ROW	100117	INVOICED
ROW	100167	INVOICED
ROWBVBA	71567	OPEN
ROWBVBA	71656	SHIPPED
ROW	101093	INVOICED
ROW	101200	INVOICED
ROWBVBA	71705	SHIPPED
ROWBVBA	71717	INVOICED
ROWBVBA	71716	INVOICED
ROWBVBA	71735	INVOICED
ROWBVBA	71740	INVOICED

Query Execution Messages

Query returned 724 row(s).  
Query has no more records to return.  
Query execution total time: 170.8589 ms.

Analyze... **Test...** Clear Grid

Rows To Return

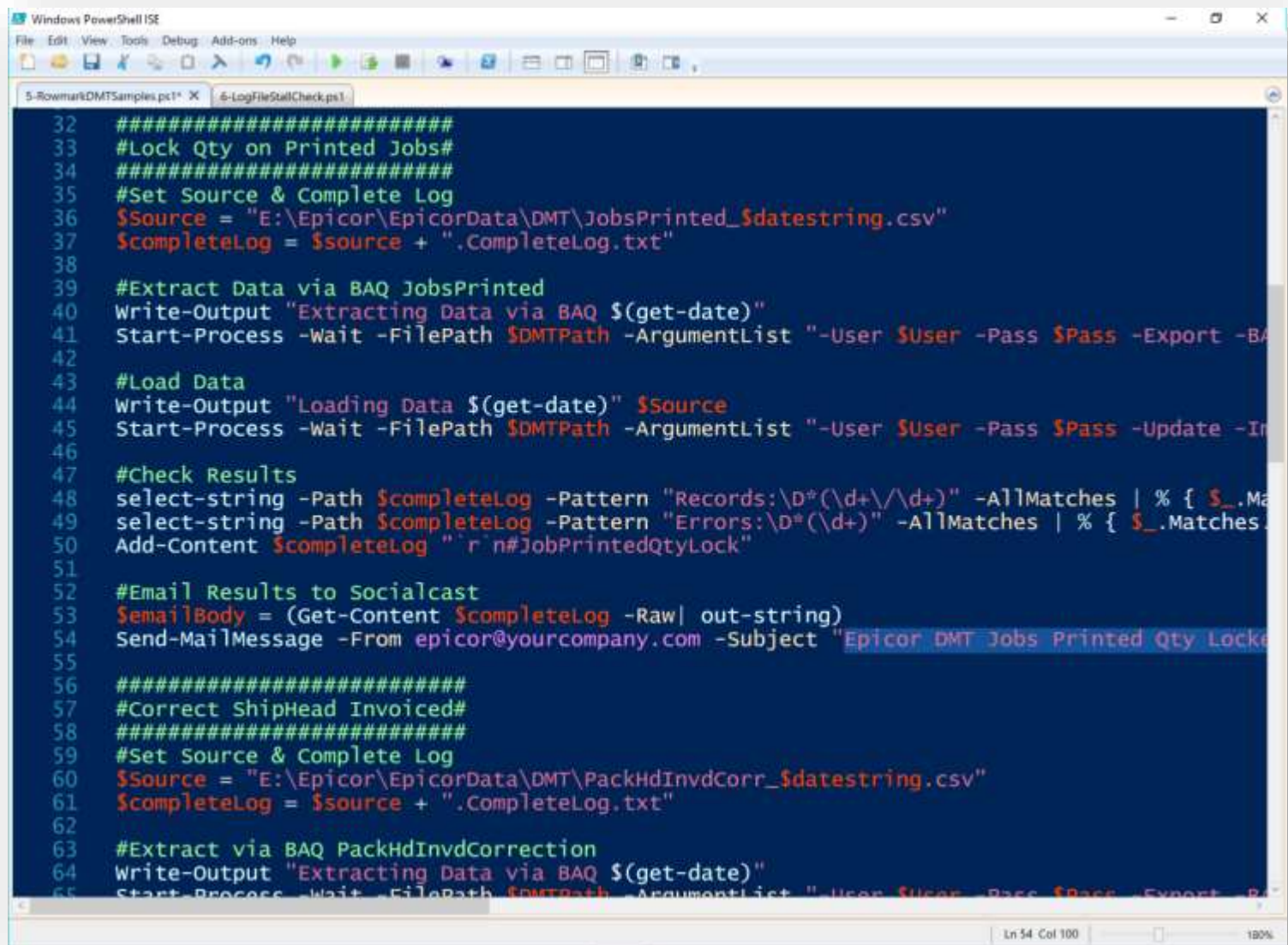
Updatable Query

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# What We Did, Step By Step: PowerShell Code



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32 #####
33 #Lock Qty on Printed Jobs#
34 #####
35 #Set Source & Complete Log
36 $Source = "E:\Epicor\EpicorData\DMT\JobsPrinted_$datestring.csv"
37 $completeLog = $source + ".CompleteLog.txt"
38
39 #Extract Data via BAQ JobsPrinted
40 Write-Output "Extracting Data via BAQ $(get-date)"
41 Start-Process -Wait -FilePath $DMTPath -ArgumentList "-User $User -Pass $Pass -Export -BA
42
43 #Load Data
44 Write-Output "Loading Data $(get-date)" $Source
45 Start-Process -Wait -FilePath $DMTPath -ArgumentList "-User $User -Pass $Pass -Update -In
46
47 #Check Results
48 select-string -Path $completeLog -Pattern "Records:\D*(\d+\/\d+)" -AllMatches | % { $_.Ma
49 select-string -Path $completeLog -Pattern "Errors:\D*(\d+)" -AllMatches | % { $_.Matches
50 Add-Content $completeLog "`r`n#JobPrintedQtyLock"
51
52 #Email Results to Socialcast
53 $emailBody = (Get-Content $completeLog -Raw | out-string)
54 Send-MailMessage -From epicor@yourcompany.com -Subject "Epicor DMT Jobs Printed Qty Lock
55
56 #####
57 #Correct ShipHead Invoiced#
58 #####
59 #Set Source & Complete Log
60 $Source = "E:\Epicor\EpicorData\DMT\PackHdInvdCorr_$datestring.csv"
61 $completeLog = $source + ".CompleteLog.txt"
62
63 #Extract via BAQ PackHdInvdCorrection
64 Write-Output "Extracting Data via BAQ $(get-date)"
65 Start-Process -Wait -FilePath $DMTPath -ArgumentList "-User $User -Pass $Pass -Export -BA
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# Wrap Up: Benefits





# Q & A



An aerial photograph of a city, likely Los Angeles, showing a complex multi-level highway interchange with numerous cars. The city buildings and streets are visible in the background. A large blue geometric shape, consisting of a triangle and a quadrilateral, is overlaid on the left side of the image. The text "Thank You!" is written in a large, bold, black font on the white background of the blue shape.

# Thank You!