Excel Add-in Configuration & Installation Guide

Vendor Payment & Bank Statement Manager – Plug and Play Setup

1. Node.js Installation & Setup

- Step 1 Download Node.js: Go to https://nodejs.org and download the LTS version for your OS.
- Step 2 Include in PATH: During installation, check 'Add to PATH'.
- 3 Step 3 Verify Installation: Run 'node -v' and 'npm -v' in terminal.
- 4 Step 4 Project Initialization: Unzip project folder → 'cd excel-vendor-payment-addin' → 'npm install'.
- 5 Step 5 Run in Development Mode: Run 'npm start' (starts local HTTPS server https://localhost:3000/).
- 6 Step 6 Build for Production: Run 'npm run build' (generates compiled files in /dist).

2. Yo Office Generator – Creating Excel Add-in Structure

- 1 Step 1 Install Yeoman & Yo Office: 'npm install -g yo generator-office'.
- 2 Step 2 Create New Project: 'yo office'.
- 3 Step 3 Follow Prompts: Choose Project Type = Excel Add-in, Script Type = JavaScript, enter name & location.
- 4 Step 4 Install Dependencies: 'cd vendor-payment-manager' → 'npm install'.
- 5 Step 5 Run Dev Server: 'npm start' (Excel loads taskpane from https://localhost:3000/taskpane.html).
- 6 Step 6 Edit Manifest: Open manifest.xml → update SourceLocation & DisplayName.
- 7 Step 7 Sideload in Excel: Insert → Office Add-ins → My Add-ins → Upload My Add-in → select manifest.xml.
- 8 Step 8 Verify Connection: Ensure the task pane loads in Excel successfully.
- 9 Step 9 Switch to Production: Change SourceLocation to hosted HTTPS URL (https://yourdomain.com/dist/taskpane.html).

3. Plug-and-Play Usage

- 1. Unzip the project folder.
- 2 2. Run 'npm install' to install dependencies.
- 3 3. Run 'npm start' to launch the add-in locally.
- 4 4. Upload manifest.xml in Excel \rightarrow Insert \rightarrow Office Add-ins \rightarrow My Add-ins \rightarrow Upload My Add-in.
- 5. Start using Vendor Payment & Bank Statement Manager inside Excel.