



8 signs it's time to modernize your month-end close

(and how to get buy-in)

Controllers know that the month-end close is one of the biggest burdens on an accounting team.

The right accounting solutions can alleviate this burden by using automation to speed up your close within your enterprise resource planning platform (ERP).

But before your CFO signs off on a new solution, you might need to make the case for how it will save the company time and [transform your accounting team](#) into strategic advisors.

This checklist can help with your talking points, laying out the challenges of an outdated close process and [how software can help](#).



❑ Buried in manual work

Sound familiar? Your team members waste time performing the same manual tasks, like matching and reconciling transactions, on different spreadsheets and platforms.

How software can help
Automated bank reconciliation removes the most tedious manual tasks, allowing your team to reconcile faster.

What to tell your CFO
“We’ll be able to ditch time-consuming spreadsheets and move to a modern solution that can keep up with business growth.”

❑ Trouble tracking tasks

Sound familiar? You get constant emails and messages from leadership asking if the close is done yet, and you waste time tracking down where your team members are in the process.

How software can help
With task tracking right in your ERP, you have full visibility into the process and can resolve bottlenecks faster.

What to tell your CFO
“We’ll be able to cut our [close time in half](#) without the need for constant follow-ups.”

❑ Hours spent on reviews

Sound familiar? The process is constantly [slowed down](#) by bottlenecks, including your own reconciliation reviews and adjustments.

How software can help
Automated workflows and pre-validated data reduce your review time and the number of emails flying back and forth.

What to tell your CFO
“By removing bottlenecks, we’ll get you timely, accurate financial data so you can make decisions faster.”

❑ Chasing down data

Sound familiar? You’re constantly tracking down data from other departments like accounts payable, accounts receivable, and sales to finalize reconciliations and reports.

How software can help
By centralizing all your data in your ERP, you can find everything you need in one place.

What to tell your CFO
“Everyone on the team can access real-time data and get a complete view of the close, so you’ll always know where things stand.”

❑ Delayed reports and forecasts

Sound familiar? Leadership and stakeholders are waiting on your financial reports, but delays and last-minute changes mean you can’t update your forecasts and financial models.

How software can help
A faster close with more reliable data means you can spend more time forecasting, bringing valuable insights to leadership.

What to tell your CFO
“We’ll be able to deliver faster, more accurate reports to stakeholders without the fear of last-minute changes.”

❑ Falling behind

Sound familiar? You’re stressed about hitting your month-end close deadlines, and the rest of your work is falling behind. You’re working overtime and [feeling burnt out](#).

How software can help
By automating data entry and reconciliation, you can [shave multiple days off your month-end close](#), so you can get back to strategic work.

What to tell your CFO
“My team and I will have more time to focus on financial analysis and strategic work instead of manual number-crunching.”

❑ Wasting time and money

Sound familiar? Inefficiencies are costing the company time and money, and you’re being asked to do more with limited resources.

How software can help
[Automation](#) allows you to achieve more with less, saving time and allowing you to use your resources more efficiently.

What to tell your CFO
“We’ll be able to cut costs and [increase our ROI](#) by eliminating inefficiencies in the close process.”

❑ Audit season headaches

Sound familiar? You’re worried that when audit season comes around, you’ll be wading through endless spreadsheets to find the information they need (and it might be outdated).

How software can help
Audit-ready documentation is generated for you, including workflows and historical data. You can find information quickly and rest easy knowing it’s up to date.

What to tell your CFO
“We’ll reduce audit risk with automated checks and balances and accurate data.”

Bring order to the chaos of month-end close

Netgain’s [close accounting solutions](#) empower finance teams to take control of the close process by centralizing every step within NetSuite—without complex integrations.

With NetSuite-native solutions like [NetClose](#) and [NetCash](#), you can create a seamless close process with real-time data and automated processes. The result?

- A faster close cycle
- Data you can trust
- A more productive accounting team
- Stress-free audits
- A solution that grows with your business



Ready to end the chaos?

[Get a personalized demo](#) to see how you can build a smarter close.