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The market is evolving, and we can use what we learn in building Intota to make all of our products work better. Of course, Intota is taking this to a new level, but we are addressing known challenges in our existing services as well.

For example, we have just announced a license template library in 360 Resource Manager to make the entry of license data more streamlined because we know that libraries were still spending too much time entering license data. Similarly, enhancements to 360 Counter improve how libraries can utilize and communicate usage data.

The functions performed by 360 Resource Manager and 360 Counter, as well as the 360 MARC Record service, are all part of the vision for Intota. Eventually, all of the functions of these existing services will be also included in Intota.

The ERM Solution also relates to Summon. When a library chooses to acquire an e-resource, it becomes part of their list of e-resources in these services. At that point, the library specifies whether it also wants the resource searchable in Summon. So, these services are actually a part of the current Rights Management function that Summon checks before displaying results.

JB: Libraries will set their own timeframes for migrating to a Web-scale collection management solution. Not all libraries will move off the ILS in the short term. They need good solutions for managing their e-resources today because their ILS doesn’t do it. E-resources consume the majority of every academic library’s acquisitions budget today. So we expect to support the ERM Solution for the foreseeable future.

Plus, using the ERM Solution today gets the data about the e-resources “converted” into a standard definition. It makes the data ready for migration to a Web-scale management solution, which will make the overall migration shorter and easier for the library.