

has authority to change, copy, delete, and/or run each query; specify who can email or FTP the query output; and specify who can download the query output to a PC file.

How is IQ Connexion Different from Qport® Access' Transfer To Host Function?

IQ Connexion is one of two remote database transfer functions available to *NGS-IQ* customers. The other is the "Transfer to Host" function in the *Qport Access* module.

The *Qport Access* Transfer to Host function lets authorized users create DB2 files from data stored in Microsoft Access tables. Using Microsoft Access as the middleware makes sense in many situations because it can import just about any file format, including Excel spreadsheets, CSV, TXT, and others, and it is already installed on millions of users' PCs. Many customers use this function to upload price changes, budgets, mailing lists, customer credit data, and other modest datasets as needed.

In contrast, *IQ Connexion* lets you retrieve remote data in real time whenever you run your query from *IQ Server*, *Qport Builder*, *Qport Access*, the RUNIQ command, or a job scheduling utility. The process is initiated and secured from IBM i and the remote data source, not the desktop. The transferred data can originate in SQL Server, MySQL, Oracle, DB2 on other platforms, and PostgreSQL databases.

IQ Connexion and Transfer to Host give you two simple, secure and efficient ways to make critical data available for reporting and analytics.

Can IQ Connexion Help Us Build a Data Warehouse?

You may think of *NGS-IQ* as a query and analytics solution, but with the addition of *IQ Connexion* you can dramatically simplify cross-platform data integration and the maintenance of a DB2-based data warehouse on IBM i. If your company is looking into data warehousing, please take time to evaluate how *NGS-IQ* and *IQ Connexion* might ease your extraction, transformation, and load (ETL) tasks. Then consider how the *NGS-IQ* solution can help your end users, analysts, power users, and executives easily access that data warehouse and produce the reports, OLAP models, spreadsheets, and other types of output they need for strategic and operational planning.

Summary

Does your company run software on multiple servers, operating systems, and databases?

Do your managers and analysts ever need to pull together data on these different systems to produce reports, respond to auditors, or analyze business trends?

Do you find yourself using different tools to access these different databases?

Do your users complain the data is "stale" by the time it's available to them in the format they want?

Would you like to simplify and speed up the process while maintaining security and performance?

Then you need NGS-IQ and IQ Connexion.

