ABSTRACT

A process is shown for calculating taxes applied to the supply of goods or services over a period of time. A process is defined within an object orientated environment, having a period charge interface object, a tax table object defining tax rates and callable by the period charge interface object, a tax calculation object for calculating tax for individual items callable by the period charge interface object and an accumulation object for accumulating values returned to the period charge object from said tax calculation object. Input data are supplied to the period charge interface object, defining a period start date and a period end date. Tax rates are supplied to the period charge object from the tax table object and a tax calculation is made by the tax calculation object, which in turn supplies the calculated tax value to the accumulation object.

The invention facilitates the generation of tax calculating regimes and facilitates the modification of existing operating systems in response to fiscal changes.

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