Updating Existing Report Link Document Templates

Starting in ARM 2015.6, an updated ReportLink.**xlsx** Excel workbook is included with standard GDMdef definitions, to replace the previous ReportLink.xls workbook. This updated workbook greatly expands the supported number of repeating section records that can be exported. The *.xlsx Excel format increased the number of available columns from 256 to 16384. Because repeating section records are exported as columns, the updated ReportLink.xlsx is no longer limited to 250 repeating section records. (Sometimes more than 250 weather records are included in a trial, and the previous 250 column limit would cause an Excel error to occur.)

In order to use this new ReportLink.xlsx workbook, the links in any Report Link document template *.doc need to be updated to point to this new workbook. Please follow the below steps to update an existing template.

- Open the Report Link template file (*.doc), and right-click on a linked object, such as a table cell.
- 2. Select the Linked Worksheet Object menu item.
- 3. Then select Links.
- 4. Select each item in the Links table:
 - a. click on the first item in the list,
 - b. hold down the Shift key,
 - c. press Ctrl-End to select all items in the list.
- 5. Select the **Change Source** button.
- Select the new ReportLink.xlsx document in the GDMdef folder, or enter 'ReportLink.xlsx' into the File name prompt.
- 7. Click on the **Open** button to update source for the first item in the Links table.

Note: Microsoft Word will prompt separately for every item in the Links table, so select the same ReportLink.xlsx for each one.



Once all the links are updated, save the template *.doc. Then when using File - Print Excel Report Link Workbook, select this template, and the ReportLink.xlsx will be used to generate the report.