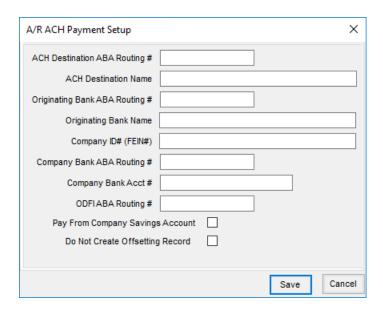
## **ACH Payments**

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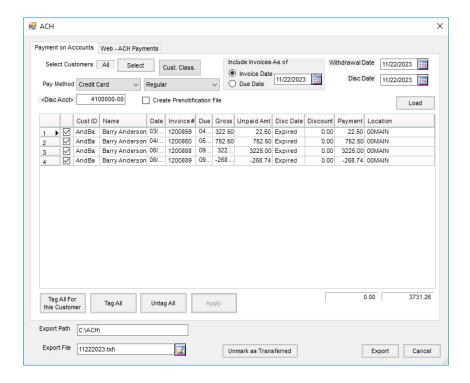
Some customers may choose to have payments directly paid from their checking accounts. This function allows the payments to be entered in Agvance and an ACH file to be created to withdraw the amounts from customer bank accounts. Setup for the ACH file and the customer banking information must be entered prior to processing these payments and creating an ACH file.

## Setup

The A/R ACH Payment Setup window must be completed and is a one-time setup. This window is found by selecting A/R ACH Setup on the G/L tab at Accounting / Setup / Preferences.



The following window can be found at A/R / ACH Payments.



- Select Customers This defaults to All which would select all customers with banking information on file.
- Cust. Class Optionally select customers by Customer Classification.
- Pay Method Enter the Pay Method to be saved on the payments. New Pay Methods may be added at Setup / A/R / Pay Methods if necessary.
- Disc Acct Select the general ledger account where any Invoice Discounts should post.
- Include Invoices As Of Select *Invoice Date* or *Due Date*, and enter the date. This is a way of filtering for Invoices that are due to be paid.
- Withdrawal Date Enter the date the bank should withdraw the funds from the customer's account.
- **Disc Date** Enter the date to use for displaying the discount amounts.
- Create Prenotification File Check this option to create a test file to send to the bank. This test file contains customer banking information but does not contain any monetary amounts.

## **Create ACH Payments**

- 1. Before creating the ACH payments, the customer must be set up for ACH payments. This is done by editing the customer's file at *File / Open / Customers*. On the *Miscellaneous Info* tab, complete the *ACH Routing #*, *Bank Account #*, and *Account Type* for the account to be used for the ACH payments.
- 2. Before creating the ACH payments, a data path should be established where the file will be saved when it's created. This path must be accessible when connecting to a bank website to submit the file.
- 3. At A/R / ACH Payments, select if the program should use *Invoice Date* or *Due Date* to determine the Invoices that display and enter the date.
- 4. Enter the Withdrawal Date.

- 5. Enter the Discount Date.
- 6. Select **Load** to display the Invoices for customers set with ACH payment information.
- 7. Select the Pay Method.
- 8. The discount general ledger account defaults into *Disc Acct*, but may be changed if necessary.
- 9. Select the Invoices to be paid in this ACH file.
- 10. In the Export Path field, enter the name for the file. This file should end with a .txt extension.
- 11. Set the *Export File*. Once this path is set, it is remembered for future use. **Browse** is available if needed to set the path.