

A Tank Full of Benefits from O2 Mobile Warehouse

CUSTOMER

Snyder Industries, Inc.

INDUSTRY

Bulk Storage Design & Manufacturing

LOCATION

Lincoln, NE

NUMBER OF LOCATIONS

Twelve

NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES

700

SYSTEM

Sage MAS 500 ERP
 O2 Mobile warehouse

Founded in 1957, Snyder Industries has grown to become a recognized leader in the design and manufacture of bulk storage, processing and transportation tank systems. With seven (7) manufacturing locations throughout the United States, Snyder offers the industry's largest selection of bulk container solutions. Today, Snyder continues to be a leader in the development of new and innovative products to meet their client specific applications.

Prepared for Growth

As Snyder prepared for additional growth through existing business and new acquisitions, they faced system challenges with their existing Sage MAS 500 ERP discrete manufacturing and distribution configuration. In the short time since it's initial implementation, Snyder's MAS 500 application has recorded over 16 million serial/lot inventory transactions. With their existing RF warehouse solution, production transactions were taking up to 20 minutes to fully post through the system and inventory handlers were noticing 15-20 second delays in inventory inquiries. "We like MAS 500 ERP and didn't want to change systems, but we couldn't continue operating slowly and growing quickly," explains Vicki Wilson, IT Director at Snyder Industries.



For Snyder Industries, it wasn't a difficult decision to work with EVS and implement O2 Mobile warehouse for Sage MAS 500. Wilson states, "After a conversation with EVS we knew we found a partner that would listen and offer Snyder the solution, flexibility and knowledge we needed to succeed."

Drop Dead Go-Live

Snyder's operations run 24/7 and only shut down for holidays. The IT team was tasked with upgrading the MAS 500 version and cutting over all seven (7) locations to the O2 Mobile warehouse over the 4th of July weekend. Taking 7 sites live in one weekend's time and being back to business on Sunday evening was huge benefit for Snyder Industries. Wilson states, "We went live in one weekend and never went back." "This rapid implementation was possible because EVS responded in a quick, efficient

CHALLENGE

Large volume of inventory transactions slowed down operation and caused inaccuracies due to lack of real-time data.

SOLUTION

Sage MAS 500 ERP and O2 Mobile warehouse.

RESULTS

7 live sites in one weekend; Accurate, real-time information that is trusted.

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Fast and Personal

With the O2 Mobile warehouse, Snyder is enjoying the benefits of fast transaction processing in their high volume environment. "Our production posting time went from nearly 20 minutes to mere seconds with O2 and inventory inquiries on the hand held units are now instantaneous." In addition, Snyder has the benefit of having customizable screens on the hand held devices for complete flexibility with the user experience. "If we want to change a screen or set up a custom posting routine, we can do it ourselves and don't have to wait for anyone to help us," states Wilson.

Real-Time Accuracy

Other areas of the business have also seen large improvements. The accounting personnel now have time to focus on the larger picture rather than spending time cleaning up transaction errors from the lack of accurate data. The real-time data that O2 Mobile warehouse provides brings efficiency, accuracy and control throughout the entire business. Wilson notes, "Inventory accuracy with O2 Mobile warehouse has a trickle down impact." "The accurate, real-time inventory now realized by Snyder Industries has also led to fewer late shipments, more accurate MRP, scheduling, and purchasing which is crucial for our continued growth plans."

Focused on The Future

Focusing on the business is a welcomed mission at Snyder Industries. With trusted inventory data, time is now better spent improving MRP and working to further automate operations. Snyder Industries is continually looking into new business opportunities and acquisitions. Implementing O2 Mobile warehouse gives Snyder more time to focus on the business rather than cleaning up transactions. "I can sum up the O2 Mobile warehouse and EVS as a partner in one word... 'Awesome!'" exclaims Wilson.



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