Custom TMS and Freight Management Solution Provides Industrial Distributor with Full Supply Chain Visibility

The Logistics Plus[®] MyLogisticsPlus[™] cloud-based portal is customized to provide a direct interface with the client's WMS for its parcel, freight, and international order and shipping processing. The Logistics Plus Freight audit and payment solution offer the client complete invoice visibility with business intelligence reporting.

THE CHALLENGE

Logistics Plus (LP) is a leading worldwide provider of transportation, warehousing, fulfillment, global logistics, business intelligence, technology, and supply chain solutions. In early 2021, a global industrial distributor that serves leading manufacturers administered an RFP to find a third-party logistics (3PL) provider that could help it optimize outbound multi-modal shipping from its six warehouses, improve inbound vendor routing compliance, and provide a complete picture of its supply chain invoices to reduce costs.

THE SOLUTION

After an extensive review process, the client selected Logistics Plus for its impressive, customizable technology capabilities, complete, multi-modal transportation management expertise, and overall cultural fit. The designated LP solutions team immediately began working with the client to understand its general needs through a series of meetings and site visits. Working with the client's in-house development staff, the LP technology team developed and implemented a custom-built version of its cloud-based MyLogisticsPlus[™] portal. This custom TMS would allow the client's warehouse personnel to instantly scan and weigh both parcel and freight orders, select the optimal carriers based on cost



or customer routing preference, and print all related documentation. LP's international team worked with the client to assign proper HTS codes for all its imported and exported goods and create more efficient international shipping standard operating procedures (SOPs). Additionally, LP created an operational routing center to help the client's vendors cost-effectively route shipments moving inbound to its facilities. Lastly, LP implemented its FAS (freight audit solutions) process and technology to facilitate contract and rate management, file carrier disputes, and provide critical business intelligence across all modes of the client's entire supply chain.

THE RESULTS

Now, with the ability to place greater focus on its core business,

with less diversion of resources on transportation and logistics, the client continues to enjoy record year-over-year sales and profitability results. Using business intelligence derived from invoice aggregation through the freight audit and payment process, LP has also successfully renegotiated contracts with critical carriers to provide the client with more affordable shipping options for both parcel and LTL freight modes.



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