

APPLICATION SPOTLIGHT

Roped into Better Inventory Control

When your business is built on a guarantee to turn around quotes faster than your competitors and ship product on time, you need reliable internal systems to support commitments to your customers.

As this leading US netting manufacturer and fabricator prepared to expand their East Coast facility, they quickly realized the current inventory system of pulling, handling, manually counting and writing down information was slow and left too much room for human error. In order to keep pace with their growing business, they could no longer section off access to thousands of square feet of warehouse space during a long counting process.

Winco was called to build an automated inventory control system. First, a PC-based label design software and printing system was designed to label inventory with alphanumeric part numbers in Code

128, linear bar code. Then, to keep employees mobile through out the large warehouse space while collecting data, portable hand-held scanners from Symbol Technologies, Inc. were used. Information was collected in batch and uploaded to a central database untouched - eliminating human input errors. Backed by a Winco service plan to cover maintenance and provide technical support to keep the equipment operational, they know they can rely on the system to support their business.

With more accurate, daily inventory information uploaded to a central Access database and made available through out the company, commitments to the customer could be made with confidence. Time to track inventory was reduced by over 50% allowing time to be used more productively. On time deliveries over and over again has earned them the trust their customers place in their services.

PROBLEM STATEMENT

A growing manufacturing company was spending too much time and resources on a manual inventory system. They needed to know accurate counts to back a delivery commitment to their customers.

SOLUTION

Winco provided a bar coded automated system for inventory control and reporting. The availability of accurate inventory and product information provided a better way to service their customers, grow and stay ahead of their competition.

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