

Maximizing WMS Value with Tryon Solutions

ABOUT

The Chief Information Officer at one of the largest Cold Storage 3PLs in the world had a herculean task ahead of him. Four different warehouse management systems were being used in varied and sometimes confusing ways at his facilities. He knew he had to consolidate everything in a single enterprise level WMS, and was in the market for some help in defining the roadmap to achieve this.

The 3PL in question has been an industry leader in refrigerated and frozen temperature-controlled logistics for nearly a century. They recently opened one of the largest distribution centers in the Southeastern United States outfitted with the latest technologies, and this impressive expansion was deserving of an equally impressive WMS along with a proper, streamlined process.

CHALLENGE

Our fearless CIO teamed up with Tryon Solutions, working with our team for application support and staff augmentation, and everything was unified into Blue Yonder WMS. They realized a variety of benefits from sunsetting their old WMS systems.

Under a common platform, sites now have the flexibility send inventory between locations. This decentralizes risk for situations where there are labor and/or facility constraint concerns at one location and allows another facility to be used instead for a given client.

More benefits:

- >Less time spent importing/exporting between systems
- >Easier to adhere to customer compliance requirements
- >Drastically less and more streamlined) WMS support
- >Less overall down time
- >KPIs and best practices are easier to compare between sites
- >Enterprise-wise scalability
- >A single system allows flexibility to move customers and orders across facilities



"I have not been part of a go live that went so well, and was stable in such a short period of time."

-CIO of a prominent 3PL, after collaborating with Tryon

SOLUTION

The 3PL provider and Tryon Solutions together designed a supply chain roadmap, and then both collaboratively executed it. Tryon Solutions was trusted to help develop the strategy, and when resources were needed, they were also called in to fill in the WMS expertise gaps in the project. Our customer was also able to scale technical resources up and down as demand requires without having to add full-time personnel to his own in-house team.

Following the legacy WMS "sunsetting" and consolidation into Blue Yonder WMS, the Tryon Solutions team upgraded the sites from older native application versions of Blue Yonder to a newer web app Blue Yonder v2019 and another fresh implementation was brought online to bring the upgrade total to 4 sites.

Key benefits of this multi-site upgrade include:

>Ability to leverage the latest functionality >Easier-to-use web interface

>Directed work now fully supported >Hardware compatibility

>Support for more WLM functionality like tracking engineering >Faster overall program speed standards which allows for predictive labor analytics

Tryon Solutions professional services team averages 15 years' experience with Blue Yonder supply chain execution systems. In addition to the wealth of knowledge, our project teams also stay up-to-date on their Blue Yonder WMS application certifications.

We closely partner with clients to ensure that their unique WMS and overall supply chain project needs are satisfied to their – and our – high standards.

