

# How we saved a plastics company over a million in supply chain savings



## RESULTS

- ~\$100,000 in freight audit savings in under six months
- ~\$400,000 saved on LTL shipping costs in under six months
- Hundreds of personnel hours saved per month

## SUMMARY

This company had received lackluster support from its previous 3PL. The client needed new tools and better processes for managing their complex supply chain. IL2000 boosted billing accuracy, automated complex reporting tasks, and offered technical support to enhance their freight operation. The result: this company saved over a million dollars per year in shipping costs.

## CLIENT

A mid-sized plastics distributor.

## CHALLENGE

Finding ways to better manage a complex supply chain.

## APPROACH

Dedicated 3PL support, enhanced reporting, managed transportation services.

## PAIN POINTS & SOLUTIONS

### ROBUST AND RELIABLE 3PL SUPPORT MOBILIZED

The company's previous 3PL had been unable to correctly code freight transactions. The freight team was billing the wrong distribution locations and accumulated a growing pile of unallocated bills. With limited 3PL guidance, freight saving opportunities were routinely overlooked.

IL2000 overhauled our client's freight management platform, marrying their existing system with IL2000 TMS. We then automated their billing, accurately mapping shipments to distribution facilities. Finally, we worked with the client to optimize LTL and international shipping, saving them considerable freight outlay.

### RELIABLE DEEP-LEVEL REPORTING AND ANALYSIS ON TAP

Their supply chain was complex, with 70 distinct profit centers to track. Timely supply chain analysis was difficult, and they struggled to maintain a cogent growth strategy.

We automated their report preparation process. We improved their reports to analyze shipments at the individual plant level – a level of detail they had not previously achieved.

### TIME AND MONEY SAVED

The company didn't have time to submit claims for the vast majority of carrier overcharges. Each ignored claim added up to a vast additional freight outlay.

IL2000 developed reporting tools that saved significant time on shipping, tracking and invoicing. We also helped resolve the company's claims backlog. The company saved hundreds of personnel hours and its supply chain became more financially efficient.