Tightening the Cap on Process Control

Deacom Inc. announces that Independent Beverage Company LLC, a soft drink manufacturer located in Charlotte, NC, has licensed the DEACOM integrated accounting and enterprise resource planning (ERP) software system to run its entire business, with functionality including recipe management, purchasing, production scheduling, inventory and lot control, order entry, warehouse management, accounting and reporting.

Since 1992, Independent Beverage Company has been producing private-label and national-brand soft drinks, including Cheerwine, a popular regional carbonated soft drink in the Southeast. The company, privately held and known for the pride it takes in producing quality products with high customer satisfaction, previously utilized an AS400-based system, coupled with separate spreadsheets to handle its business processes and distribution throughout the Southeast. This combination of systems lacked the integration and functionality essential to helping Independent Beverage Company manage its operation with maximum efficiency.

David Barker, chief financial officer at Independent Beverage Company, explains, “We wanted a system that could handle the unique and complex requirements for our production-scheduling system and for order allocation to our distributors, as well as providing us better inventory visibility within one complete system. After a tremendous amount of research, our team determined that the DEACOM system was the system that was best geared towards our business, and afforded us the flexibility we needed as our business continues to evolve.”

The DEACOM ERP system is designed for batch process manufacturers, with a specialization in the beverage processing industry. Because of this specialization, DEACOM can support the company's order management, reporting, pricing, equipment integration, lot tracking requirements and financial reporting natively.

Without the need for costly customization, the DEACOM ERP system is offered users a guaranteed, all-inclusive fixed price that includes software, full implementation, professional training and technical support.

Angela Farman, a controller at Independent Beverage Company, adds, "Deacom's guaranteed fixed price and industry experience provides us the certainty of a successful implementation we required. They clearly are the lowest risk option for our company."

Independent Beverage Company LLC plans to go live on the DEACOM Software System in April of 2012.

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