

# Speedpac to streamline processes with Advanced's new warehouse management system

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24 April 2013 – Speedpac Ltd, a packing and distribution company, is looking to improve and streamline its warehousing process with a new warehouse management system (WMS), OpenWMS, from Advanced Business Solutions (Advanced). Speedpac will go live with the new solution in May 2013.

Speedpac is experiencing significant growth, which has been boosted by some major contract wins and the rise in e-Commerce. The third-party logistics specialist has also outgrown its current warehouse management system, which was proving expensive and outdated. Speedpac needed more sophisticated software to automate its processes in order to remain competitive.

OpenWMS will be used by 20 staff to control the receipt, storage and delivery of stock throughout the company's five warehouses and to produce more detailed reports for customers. The new system will also connect to customers' websites, allowing them to track the status of their jobs.

Speedpac initially looked at 15-20 warehouse management systems and selected Advanced's OpenWMS after a four-way tendering process.

Andy Davis, Systems and Inventory Manager, Speedpac says, "We didn't want a company to develop a bolt-on for us; we needed a system that was tried and tested.

OpenWMS has a good track-record and is extremely flexible, which is exactly what we need for our ever changing demands."

The system can also monitor the exact location of stock, enabling reports to be produced on when and where any goods have been moved around the warehouse.

"Our customers expect accurate traceability of goods; they need to know exactly what's going on with their products and where they are and this new system will facilitate this process. This new system will also eliminate some of the administration issues we have, which is a huge benefit for our staff and will save us a lot of time," adds Davis.

The new WMS will integrate with Speedpac's Microsoft Dynamics enterprise resource planning (ERP) system, as well as customers' ERP systems.

Speedpac started in business 15 years ago as a contract packer, and expanded into fulfilment, including stock wrapping and assembling gift sets. Speedpac operates five warehouses, totalling 120,000 square feet, plus the capacity to take additional space to cope with peaks in business.

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About Speedpac <http://www.speedpac.co.uk>

Speedpac is a professional packing and distribution company based in Northamptonshire. The company has 25 years' experience in storage, distribution and order picking, reverse logistics, contract packing and film wrapping.

Speedpac has developed tailored end-to-end solutions for their customers' storage, distribution, contract packing and returns requirements – offering expert advice and support throughout the processing of their orders.

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