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Technology Business
Solutions

Fourth Shift Edition for
SAP® Business One
Solution Overview

In today's fast-paced, information-rich environment, the decision to invest in a new manufacturing software solution is only the first step to improving flexibility and enabling integration of important areas such as finance, e-commerce, supply chain and distribution. Implementing a new software package can present a host of challenges, including lack of in-house resources and necessary skill sets.

Through a partnership with SoftBrands and SAP®, RSM McGladrey offers implementation services for the Fourth Shift Edition for SAP® Business One. The Fourth Shift Edition for SAP® Business One is SoftBrands' fully integrated ERP system designed specifically for small and mid-sized manufacturers, offering these companies a solution that joins the strength and security of SAP® with the mid-market manufacturing expertise of SoftBrands.

Growth — is your business ready?

Built to meet the needs of growing businesses, the Fourth Shift Edition enables emerging companies to streamline their operational and managerial processes.

The solution is simple yet powerful, allowing an immediate and complete view of both business operations and customer activities. Users can easily access real-time information through a single system containing financial, customer relationship management, manufacturing and management control capabilities.

The Fourth Shift Edition is designed for manufacturers in the following industries:

- Food and beverage
- Chemicals
- Pharmaceuticals
- Rubber and plastics
- Medical devices
- Semiconductors
- Electronics
- Industrial machinery

Services you can count on

At RSM McGladrey, our consultants have many years of experience implementing SAP®-based business management solutions. With our rapid deployment methodology, you can benefit from a speedy return on your information solution investment.

We offer a customized, flexible approach that's based on your needs — combining in-depth industry knowledge and a longstanding commitment to growing companies. Our consultants work with you to understand how your business currently performs, identify business process enhancements and determine how technology can be used to improve your operations. In short, we're committed to being a valued business partner during the implementation process and beyond.

Because RSM McGladrey is structured to align with industries, our consultants not only understand technology, but also have significant experience working with manufacturing operations and processes. And as part of our full-service strategy, we offer a complete range of other business consulting services. We can provide risk management, financial management, operations and strategy consulting in addition to our technology services.

Product management

- Manage all materials, resources and tools used to manufacture products
- Accurately develop, simulate and analyze product costing
- Manage future engineering changes by automatically scheduling each planned change on the date on which it becomes effective
- Easily understand the effect of changes in material and labor costs, overhead rates, scrap and yield and product structures

Manufacturing operations

- Meet delivery promises by coordinating purchasing, manufacturing and shipping activities
- Easily manage standard and custom product operations
- Plan and execute production and inventory strategies
- Manage product configurations and improve customer

Customer and vendor operations

- Reduce the time it takes to enter and manage and customer and vendor orders
- Simplify buying decisions through intuitive action messaging
- Improve customer satisfaction by responding quickly to quotation requests and customer inquiries

Inventory management

- View real-time information on all the items needed to produce your product and keep your manufacturing operations running smoothly
- Track lot-traced items throughout the manufacturing process, from receiving through shipping, with comprehensive lot-trace functionality
- Automatically create serial numbers
- Prepare, record and track customer order shipments

Management reporting

- Support management decisions with simple and flexible reporting functionality
- Easily manage and track performance of cycle counts
- Track order variances using seven key variance types
- Use ABC classification to determine ordering frequencies and cycle counting methodologies

Planning and scheduling

- Perform material requirements planning (MRP) definition based on a wide range of criteria
- Use MRP-based quantity calculations such as lot size or Lot size day as well as order point triggers
- Maintain an optimum manufacturing plan based on the master production schedule, sales forecasts, inventory status, open orders and bills of resources

More tools

The Fourth Shift Edition with SAP® Business One offers these additional tools for manufacturers:

- Human resource management
- Sales and distribution
- Financial accounting
- Administration
- Engineering
- Shop floor reporting and data capture
- Event monitoring
- Electronic data interchange

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