



Customer Profile

MCL Industries Turns to Doc-Trak to keep Military and Emergency Vehicles Ready to Protect Us



“Before we implemented the Doc-Trak system, we struggled with outdated documents on our shop floor. And because we had multiple file locations, maintaining our paper records was extremely time consuming. Doc-Trak enabled us to tie current documents to each job order — saving us considerable time that had previously been wasted filing and searching for paperwork.”

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MCL Industries, inc

About the Company

MCL Industries — <http://www.mcl.bz> — is a family-owned business located in Pulaski, Wis. Established in 1979, the company now specializes in engineering and manufacturing electrical and electromechanical assemblies for manufacturers of heavy-duty on-road and off-road equipment. MCL Industries serves leading manufacturers across a range of industries... companies that demand the highest product quality, reliability and durability for the optimal price.

Manufacturer’s Challenge.

MCL Industries faced a number of challenges as management pursued the company’s vision of achieving ISO 9001:2000 certification. To become certified, the company was required to document standard procedures and instructions for manufacturing assemblies. And the organization needed to live by certification standards.

Since MCL Industries manufactures a wide variety of assemblies, there were mounds of papers documenting procedures — making it difficult to manage paperwork. The existing Access database worked well for controlling documents, but it didn’t meet the need to quickly get documents into the hands of shop workers. When executives learned about Doc-Trak document management software, they knew the product would enable them to achieve their vision of meeting stringent quality standards.

MCL’s Doc-Trak Solution.

With the implementation of Doc-Trak, MCL Industries now has the ability to link in SyteLine all assembly instructions and related documentation — including photographs and schematics — to the item being built. When employees pull and print the job paperwork for an item, they receive all the proper documentation right out of the system with it. The capability allowed MCL Industries to streamline operations by enabling employees to quickly access all the paperwork they need to perform their jobs.

“As we sought to earn ISO certification, we knew we had to establish a process for ensuring that our shop employees had access to the most recent version of all documents. With Doc-Trak, we’re now sure our employees are performing their jobs based on the latest project documentation.”

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Here are some of the many benefits MCL Industries has derived from implementing Doc-Trak:

Saved an enormous amount of time by eliminating the need to dig through stacks of paperwork and files looking for appropriate instructions and procedures to assemble their parts.

Eliminated employees' frustration to quickly find appropriate paperwork.

Found it easy for employees to learn with Doc-Trak's intuitive and highly visual design.

Gained quick and easy online access to precise documentation without searching.

Garnered enthusiasm from employees — which led to new methods and intellectual property, including MCL's proprietary LeanSourcing™ Program.

Contributed to strengthening ISO 9001:2000 certification — thereby enabling the company to achieve management's vision to be recognized as a reliable company with high performance standards.

Create a Paperless, Eco-friendly Company.

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Transform Your Company's Future.

As you assess your organization's business requirements, you realize how document intensive it really is. Whether finding documents in file cabinets or on your electronic file system, it takes valuable time — which impacts your company's efficiency and effectiveness.

Doc-Trak give you the ability to achieve these competitive advantages:

- Organize information for increased efficiency
- Reduce paperwork and overhead costs
- Streamline business processes
- Collaborate effectively across your enterprise



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The Lake Companies is a Midwest provider of enterprise resource planning (ERP) business software solutions providing solutions to discrete manufacturers in Wisconsin, Minnesota, and the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. In addition, we are the developer of and an Infor SyteLine Solution Provider for the Shop-Trak™ and Doc-Trak™ enhancement applications for Infor SyteLine ERP. These software products are used by manufacturers worldwide as they offer robust solutions making the SyteLine ERP platform even more powerful and efficient. To learn more about The Lake Companies, Inc., please visit www.lakeco.com.

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