



Legacy Solutions

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The DataMAX Software Group, Inc.

RFGen Case Studies

Bossard IIP, Inc.

Headquartered in Switzerland, the Bossard Group is a global distributor of industrial fasteners to large manufacturing companies like John Deere and Honeywell. The company's IIP division, based in Des Moines, Iowa, was established in 1969 to supply affordable fastening products to

customers that manufacture agricultural, construction, and lawn and garden machinery.

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Solution at a glance...

Client: Bossard IIP, Inc.

Industry: Industrial Fastener Distribution

Environment: IBM AS/400

Solution: RFGen Implemented Solution

Devices: Psion Teklogix Hand-Held Computers

Solution Summary...

Before implementing RFGen, Bossard was using outdated wireless computing equipment on a narrowband network to manage their inventory and to ship orders. The legacy system included resizing existing AS400 application screens using RGP development, as well as C-based imbedded development on end devices.

Bossard was requiring a systems hardware and network upgrade to meet its high service standards.

Bossard worked with Des Moines based data collection solutions provider Advanced Automation Inc. to implement a new wireless broadband inventory management system in its two Iowa warehouses in less than six months.

Using RFGen, Advanced Automation was able to deliver a solution that featured RFGen's

easy-to-use screen mapping technology. With RFGen screen mapping, Bossard was able to map transactions directly to existing AS400 application screens, and deliver these transactions with an intuitive user interface on end devices. All of this was accomplished quickly and easily with simple point and click development.

Advanced Automation recommended using the Psion Teklogix 7535 hand-held devices alongside with RFGen to meet Bossard's immediate need for a complete automated data collection solution that would also scale for future growth.

For Bossard, the combination of RFGen and Psion Teklogix proved to be an easy, efficient and robust combination.