Wireless Command and Control

Reducing Industrial Vehicle Maintenance Costs

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Reduces:
- Impacts resulting in vehicle & facility damage
- Unauthorized access to vehicles
- Fleet size
- Labor hours and overtime
- Carbon footprint
- Insurance costs

Increases:
- Safety
- Security
- Visibility
- Accountability
- Productivity
- Reliability

CFAMS ‘Black Box’ adds vision & intelligence to your vehicles
Who’s Benefiting:

- Ford
- Toyota
- Walmart
- Nestlé
- AVIS
- Budget
- Caterpillar
- Mercedes-Benz
- Kraft
- P&G
- Xerox
- Unilever
- American Airlines
- Georgia-Pacific
- John Deere
- Whirlpool
- General Mills
- Lowe's
- Campbells
- GE
- Home Depot
- Northrop Grumman
- FMC
- SeverStal
- Nucor
- Visteon
- Canadian Tire
- Kohl's
- GameStop
- 3M
- DOT
- Hallmark
- ADM
- COLGATE-PALMOLIVE
- Bobcat
- Price Chopper
- Meijer
- Ingram Micro
- Swift
- Boxer's Head
- ConAgra Foods
- Raymond
- Weyerhaeuser
- Supervalu
- Sysco
- C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc.
Vehicle Asset Communicator
Intelligent controller on each vehicle reads CAC card to access vehicle

Real time 2-way wireless communications
FIPS compliant

Software on server

PC workstations access software anywhere on LAN
Available System Sensors

- Motion
- Engine on
- Speed/distance
- Lift weight
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- Tow proximity
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Industrial Truck Safety Overview

- OSHA regulates industrial trucks because they injure tens of thousands each year – about 100 fatally.
- Managing industrial truck safety without technology is problematic. Wireless technology for industrial truck safety is a best practice in many of the world’s largest enterprises.

➢ **Vehicle management technology is improving safety and simultaneously delivering a return on investment.**
Forklift Data from OSHA

Forklift accidents cause 40,000 injuries & deaths each year – 2nd leading cause of fatalities in private sector, after highway vehicles*

- Powered Industrial Truck safety violations are perennially among OSHA’s top 10 problems.

3,500 violations of OSHA regulation 1910.178 last year

- It is a violation of Federal law for anyone to operate a forklift who is not properly trained and certified to do so.

*Source: OSHA
Industrial Equipment Cost Overview

- Typical hard costs per vehicle:
  - Operators (3 shifts): $200K per year
  - Cost of Truck: $5K per year
  - Maintenance: $4K per year
  - Damage: $3K per year
  - Batteries: $2K per year

- Total hard and hidden costs of accidents:
  - Direct Costs:
    - Medical Costs
    - Lost Wages
    - Higher Insurance Premiums
  - Indirect Costs:
    - Lost Production — worker distraction
    - Training Costs — replacement worker
    - Loss of Skill/Efficiency — slowed production
    - Paperwork
    - Administrative Time
    - Loss of Morale
    - Legal Issues
    - Product Replacement

Source: The Workers Compensation Fund’s Workers Compensation Program, Safety Program & Cost Control Guidebook
Tools for Reducing Maintenance Costs

- Establish accountability & reduce damage with access control & impact sensing
- Automate safety checklist compliance and reporting of vehicle maintenance issues
- Schedule PMs based on actual use
- Get real-time vehicle location visibility & remote lock-out capability:
  - Ensures PMs get done on schedule
  - Maximizes productivity & reduces labor costs for maintenance staff
  - Mechanics love it: "Saves a fortune in aggravation"*

*Quote from Fortune 50 automotive customer
Damage Reduction – Impact Management

• Industry leading Impact Sensing
  o Measures force and duration to distinguish between a tap and major event (reduces false alarms)
  o Technology auto-learns for each vehicle and environment
  o Historical investigation of events

• Trigger preferred safety response by impact severity
  o Data recorded
  o Special impact checklists to report damage
  o Alerts via email or page
  o Optional vehicle lock-out
Vehicle Safety – Electronic Checklists

- Mandatory checklists maintain OSHA compliance
  - Configurable frequency required based on your work environment (e.g. 1x per shift/vehicle/day)
  - Operators must complete checklist in set time
- Reports vehicle safety issues automatically
- Responses have 3 user-defined severity levels: normal, warning, critical
- Critical responses can automatically trigger preferred safety procedures, including vehicle lockout for maintenance
- Automatic answer randomization prevents “finger-whipping”
- Checklists can be customized (e.g. by vehicle type)
- Multi-language checklists supported
Maintenance Efficiency – PM Planning Tools

- True motion tracking:
  - Reflects wear & tear more accurately than hour meters
  - Provides consistent metrics for ALL vehicles
  - Maximizes efficiency of PMs (based on actual run time vs. calendar time)
- Automatic vehicle data upload via RF eliminates labor cost
- Reports automatically emailed to identify impending PMs required
- Automatic on-vehicle messages remind driver about PM due
- Optional sensors (oil, temp., lift, battery, etc.)
- Optional automatic data interface with existing CMMS (e.g. FEM)

Monthly usage (motion) varies widely within fleet -- between 0 (!) and 180 hours
Fuel/Emissions Savings – Idle Time Out

- After configurable period of inactivity, vehicles automatically shut off
  - Saves significant fuel cost for IC vehicles
  - Significantly reduces emissions
Fleet Optimization – Peak Fleet Utilization Analysis

Green line: Total number of vehicles used during the day at any time

Red line: Number of vehicles in simultaneous use. Max. is only 28 out of 42 (67% of fleet)
Fleet Optimization – Real-Time Fleet Visibility

- GPS on every vehicle for real-time visibility
- Graphical display of vehicles/operators with flexible views, zooming & status indicators
- Indoor location tracking also available
- Speed management
- Geo-fencing for security
- Historical playback of vehicle locations to analyze travel paths (for route optimization, quality control, IE standards validation)
- Embedded Text Dispatching; just click vehicle icon to target messages
Red River Army Depot (RRAD) Project Scope

• 50 Vehicle Asset Communicators (VACs) being installed for pilot phase (goal to expand to full fleet of 250 vehicles)
  – CAC ID card access control
  – FIPS 140-2 secure Wi-Fi
  – GPS location tracking & speed management
  – Impact management
  – Lift time sensor
  – Engine temperature sensor
  – Oil pressure sensor
  – Load sensor on select vehicles
  – Audible alarms

• Other system elements
  – Dedicated application/database server
  – Windows-based client-server software with SQL database engine
  – Wireless Asset Manager for automated, wireless VAC configuration
  – Plan to automate maintenance data feed from CFAMS to EFEMS
RRAD Savings Projections (full 250-vehicle fleet)

• Accident Reduction Savings - $100,000/year
  – Currently, there is little or no accountability for vehicle use and accidents; anonymous damage costs are high (typical of all industrial environments)
  – CFAMS CAC-card access control ensures only trained, authorized operators can use equipment & establishes total operator accountability
  – CFAMS impact management system identifies aggressive driving & provides various automatic responses to multiple impact severity levels

• Safety Inspection Savings - $20,000/year
  – Currently, personnel spend at least 6 hours/week performing spot checks on vehicles & interviewing operators
  – CFAMs requires operators to perform these checks before operating the vehicle; all data is captured & reported electronically—no paper
More RRAD Cost Savings…

- Maintenance Savings - $100,000/year
  - PMs now scheduled by calendar every 1-6 months at approx. $250 per PM
  - CFAMS reduces PMs & costs by basing schedule on actual usage hours
  - Lack of awareness of emerging problems now leads to expensive repairs
  - CFAMS automatically flags problems identified on OSHA checklists & monitors key vehicle health indicators (oil pressure, temperature, etc.)

- Reduced Fleet Size - $100,000+/year
  - RRAD spends approx. $900,000/year to procure industrial vehicles
  - CFAMS demonstrated potential to reduce fleet size 27% in SIAD pilot; conservative estimate at RRAD is 14% (equivalent to 35 vehicles)
  - Savings derived by purchase avoidance (12% of procurement costs) & outright elimination of redundant vehicles
More RRAD Financial Benefits…

• Trip Tickets Eliminated - $200,000/year
  – CFAMs will automatically feed vehicle data to existing EFEMS system
  – Frees up 60% of 1 employee’s time (currently spent entering this data)
  – Adds 20 minutes of productivity per week for every operator & supervisor

• Productivity Improvements - $675,000/year
  – Improved maintenance controls = less vehicle down time
  – Vehicle usage data & breadcrumb trails identify work inefficiencies
  – Visibility of vehicle location/status enables more efficient dispatching
  – Fleet right-sizing results in reduced congestion in production areas

• Improved Labor Cost Management - $635,000/year
  – Smaller fleet = opportunity to reduce/reallocate labor
  – 35 fewer vehicles should equate to at least 10 operators reallocated
Other Significant Benefits (Not Yet Quantified)…

- Maintenance costs associated with vehicles identified by CFAMS as being redundant (to be eliminated or mothballed)
- Reduced overtime costs due to more efficient work in normal hours
- Fuel cost savings through automatic idle time-out
- Training efficiency through automatic reporting of operators whose certification is about to expire
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<td>Payback Period (Years)</td>
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Note: Investment for additional vehicles is assumed to occur in second year.
Sierra Army Depot (SIAD) Pilot Benefits

• Pilot data indicate recurring cost savings of up to $7,000/vehicle/year
• System also significantly improved safety (observed reduction of lost work-time accidents and facility damage)
• Breakout of annual cost savings opportunities demonstrated in 50-vehicle pilot program:

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<td><strong>Total Annual Savings Opportunities</strong></td>
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SIAD Benefits Extrapolated

• Breakout of annual cost savings opportunities applied to entire 184-vehicle MHE fleet at SIAD:

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• Internal Rate of Return: 137% to 227%
• 5-Year Net Present Value: $3.1 million to $4.7 million
• Payback (cash flow positive): 10 to 14 months
Comments from System Users at SIAD

- “Accountability is huge…people now know if something happens…” operators “have to be more diligent in their day-to-day job”
- The system “tracks down every piece of MHE every day”
- “Our accident rates dropped…employees are buying into the safety culture”
- “When columns are bumped, the forklift doesn’t move, and the operator and equipment number are recorded”
- Electronic checklists “give a mechanic the opportunity to troubleshoot, find the issue, and fix it before it becomes a major problem”
- “With this system we do our maintenance based on actual usage time…not a routine monthly schedule”
- Shipping & receiving had “a huge spike in equipment utilization” which justifies “reducing the fleet” for “more cost savings to the depot and to our customers”
- “This is a good system” with “durability”—“we’ve had no malfunctions”
- “We’re very supportive and have 100% regard for recommending this system”
Application by Armed Services:

Centralized Fleet Automated Management System (CFAMS) A vehicle management system with potential savings to DoD of over $490 million annually

**Army (CTMA-sponsored):**
- Pilot sites: Red River & Sierra Depots
- Observers: Anniston & Tobyhanna Depots, TACOM, Army Materiel Command

**Additional Strong Potential:**
- Air Force
- Marines
- Navy
- DLA

DoD Benefits

**Level 1 Benefits:**

SIAD: Proven safety tool to ensure accountability for vehicle use, perform mandatory pre-operational safety checks, and report on vehicle impacts. In addition, demonstrated pilot-scale savings, extrapolated depot-wide, results in annual cost savings of more than $1.2 million.

**Level 2 Benefits:**

AMC: Implementation at all Army facilities would result in anticipated savings of approx. $123 million annually.

**Level 3 Potential:**

Anticipated savings for all services (non-tactical vehicles) is estimates at more than $490 million annually (100,000 vehicles).

- The annual cost associated with industrial vehicle operations is well beyond the acquisition, labor, maintenance, energy, damage repair, and lost work time cost from accidents. In today’s Lean Logistics environment, failure to maximize productivity in material handling and remanufacturing operations accounts for a substantial “tax” on operational expense due to inherent process inefficiencies.

- CFAMS is a cutting edge industrial fleet vehicle management solution, utilizing the latest in real-time sensory data collection, and operator interface technology while improving operational safety at the vehicle level, providing actionable management reports on operational (direct mission support) utilization and CBM status.

CTMA Investment - $660K; Industry Cost Share - $1.2 million

Realized Savings to Date: $1.2M

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Summary

• Improve industrial vehicle **operator management & accountability**
• Reduce operating costs with **maintenance control, damage reduction & fuel savings**
• Reduce capital costs through **fleet reduction/right sizing**
• **Enhance safety** in workplace
• **Increase utilization/productivity** by analyzing with previously hidden metrics & real-time vehicle visibility
• **CFAMS is comprehensive solution** (hardware, software, training, reporting, ongoing support)