

Dorman Reduces Picking Inaccuracy by 86% with Ivanti



Profile: Dorman Products is a leading supplier of “dealer exclusive,” original-equipment automotive and heavy-duty replacement parts, automotive hardware, brake parts, and fasteners to the automotive and heavy vehicle industries.

Location: Colmar, Pennsylvania

Industry: Automotive replacement parts

Website: dormanproducts.com

Solution Partner: Procensis is a leading provider of mobility and network design solutions focused on the latest network, device, and convergence technology to help businesses achieve the most effective workflows, and ultimately, gain a competitive edge.

Solutions:

- Ivanti Velocity
- Ivanti Voice
- Ivanti Avalanche

Identifying the Problem

Dorman Products had implemented a previous voice solution for its distribution centers, but doing so hadn’t improved accuracy and required intensive training and management. Looking for other solutions, Dorman enlisted solution partner Procensis to help.

Problems to solve:

- Improve accuracy
- Low employee morale due to the clunky existing technology
- Efficient training and implementation of the solution for employees

According to Monty Burrell, Director of Operations at Dorman Products, radar picking was the company’s vision, ensuring that the system and not the human was driving accuracy. “We wanted to have a signal to drive our pickers to a location, pick the correct quantity of parts, so they could go to the next location. We wanted to eliminate non-value added steps.”

Procensis recommended that Dorman implement these Ivanti solutions: Velocity, Speakeasy, and Avalanche.

Results with Ivanti

Picking inaccuracy was reduced by 86%

Burrell explains that within three weeks, Dorman reduced the number of incorrect items picked by 86%! And they’re still getting used to the system. “We’re running around 99.91% of picking accuracy. The goal within six weeks is 99.95%. And I am confident we will get there.”

Time-to-value in minutes...not months

Burrell also notes that the previous solution required weeks of development, procedures, and cheat sheets. "And after we had all that," he says, "we had to go into training them, and it was several hours of training for each user. But with Ivanti Voice...15 minutes of a quick overview."

15%

increased productivity for one of Dorman's largest customers

Concludes Burrell, "We looked at one of our top 4 customers, and compared a December 2017 snapshot versus just last week, beginning February 19, 2018. We improved productivity by 15% with that one customer in picking."

Improved Android user-experience

In the past, according to Greg Bowen, OpEx Engineer at Dorman Products, pickers had to use the function keys to navigate through the processes. However, with Ivanti Velocity, Procensis was able to remove the fields not used, highlight the fields used, bold them, and make them stand out in different colors. "Some of this has even been driven from user requests, says Bowen. "They turned all the function keys into buttons. So they're navigating, instead of F3 back, they're hitting the button that says 'Back'. For the new user, it just makes sense. It works just like your phone, so it's great."

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