



Systems Not “Run Of The Mill”

Two specialist management systems developed by Topaz – and currently used to help with the running of mills throughout the UK – are anything but run of the mill.

Both the Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS) and the Distribution Management System (DIMS) are examples of the cutting edge technology, which sets Topaz apart in the world of ERP.

LIMS, used by 15 food-processing mills, monitors the quality testing of both incoming and outgoing products. The system allows test results to be stored and analysed against individual samples using the following benchmarks –

- Each sample is against a product code (i.e. a specific wheat or flour)
- Each product includes a specification which itself contains a group of predefined tests and acceptable results
- Each test has characteristics (i.e. numeric results, visual results) – and most have a maximum and minimum acceptability level – allowing the system to automatically pass or fail a sample

LIMS produces quality control documents (delivery certificates and test analysis sheets) and analysis reports. The report generator itself allows the user to define which test and results to analyse.

DIMS, is a feature rich system for monitoring and analysis of transport and distribution costs. All relevant information is recorded including –

- Journey records covering locations, timings and costs
- Driver details including pay rates, availability and abilities
- Vehicle records including capacity, tyres and weights
- KPI reports
- Customer service records

DIMS also enables agency or third party transport to be utilised and allows both single and multi-drop journeys. The system records a variety of costing information - such as establishment, repair and maintenance costs – as well as scheduling routine maintenance procedures.

Both DIMS and LIMS clearly demonstrate Topaz integration abilities as they both integrate with weighbridge systems and in the case of DIMS, fuel distribution systems. In addition, there are exports to both nominal ledger and payroll for relevant costs and labour.

“Both LIMS and DIMS clearly illustrate that our systems are far from being run of the mill,” says Eddie Stanley, the Topaz Sales Manager.



Notes to Editors:

About Topaz

Topaz was founded by a group of like-minded business professionals and began life creating bespoke software solutions and supporting third party applications. At the core of Topaz business solutions are software applications that have been developed by its highly experienced team of software engineers. From inception to delivery, Topaz solutions are produced with the highest level of professionalism.

The company's many years of experience in software development to formal specifications produce both highly flexible packaged solutions and bespoke applications. Topaz's strict quality procedures ensure software is produced to high, exacting standards to a common template that has evolved over many years.

Topaz EMS is an integrated Payroll and HR solution with an optional Time and Attendance module, its inherent flexibility and ease of use. Lends itself to many different sectors of the market providing numerous time and cost saving benefits. Whilst being competitively priced the solution is regarded as one of the most comprehensive systems on the market today. The consultancy services Topaz provide ranges from complex business process re-engineering to production of Gap analysis reports and ultimately technical specifications.

Topaz Financials covers all aspects of a financial accounting solution including sales, purchase and nominal ledgers, cashbook and fixed assets and specialise in key areas like credit control, commitment and project accounting. Their growing user base acknowledge the quality of software developed by Topaz but also the essential services and on-going support. Users come from a range of business sectors and include: Education, Recruitment, Manufacturing, Professional Services and Distribution.

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