

Success Story SAP - B-COMM for R/3 ERP

Tenneco Automotive, Lake Forest - USA

When you need a proven, one stop SAP integration solution...Kaba Benzing delivers

On November 5, 1999, Tenneco Automotive (NYSE: TEN) began its first day of regular trading as an independent company, following completion of its strategic separation from Tenneco's packaging business.

Tenneco Automotive is a \$3.5 billion global manufacturing company based in Lake Forest, Illinois, with 23,000 employees worldwide. The company is one of the world's largest designers, manufacturers and distributors of automotive ride control and emission control products and systems for the automotive original equipment market, and the repair and replacement market, or aftermarket. In the original equipment market, Tenneco Automotive serves more than 25 original equipment manufacturers on a global basis. In the aftermarket, Tenneco Automotive serves more than 500 customers including wholesalers and retailers. The company globally sells its ride control products primarily under the well-recognized Monroe® brand name. On the emissions control side of the business, Tenneco Automotive sells its products under the Walker®, and Gillet™ brand names. With brand-name recognition and a worldwide presence, the company can meet the global sourcing, quality and engineering requirements of its customers from over 100 manufacturing, technical and regional facilities in 22 countries on 6 continents.

Matthew Carlson, Manager - SAP Development at Tenneco Automotive, had one question on his mind when he began looking for a software package to communicate with his brand new SAP Time Management module. How proven is your SAP interface?

Mr. Carlson finally got the answer he was looking for. Kaba Benzing, SAP's largest time and labor partner in the world, has over 750 SAP customers using its complementary software and hardware - B-COMM for SAP R/3. The system met Tenneco's functionality requirements, was SAP-certified, and had a successful track record with SAP Time Management. Moreover, Kaba Benzing America had the manpower to install, test and be ready-to-go in just a few days.

Selection of B-COMM was based on:

- Kaba Benzing's expertise in the SAP marketplace
- Kaba Benzing's ability to fulfill Tenneco's requirements, out of the box
- Kaba Benzing's product value and ability to grow with Tenneco
- Kaba Benzing's ease of installation and long-term support

Kaba Benzing's B-COMM provides a complete, off-the-shelf system for interfacing with SAP's HCM (Time Management) module. With B-COMM, SAP customers around the world can easily link to SAP's state-of-the-art management module. Put simply, Kaba Benzing America delivers SAP functionality to the shop floor.



"So far we've successfully gone live with two sites servicing more than 600 employees and if everything runs as smoothly as the Kaba Benzing installation process we'll be rolled out to more than 2000 employees pretty quickly."

Matthew Carlson -
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