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Autologue's Datatron System Selected by Network Products

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BUENA PARK, Calif. – The Datatron Business Management System, division of Autologue Computer Systems, is becoming a popular choice for warehouse distributors and jobbers doing two- or three-step distribution with one or more locations, according to the company. Network Products has chosen the Datatron system for its purchasing programming, flexible invoicing, wireless barcode picking and receiving, strict inventory control and ability to communicate easily with other systems. Network Products is the new Co-Man Warehouse for the Automotive Distribution Network, which consists of the program groups Parts Plus, AutoSTAR, IAPA and CMB brands.

The Datatron system also includes a fully integrated accounting package which includes: accounts payable, general ledger, payroll, check reconciliation and time clock. Network Products will also utilize Autologue's suite of e-products consisting of ePartconnection, eDelivery, ePaperless Office, eAnalysis and eDataCommerce.

John Rutland, president of Network Products, commented, "We looked at multiple systems during our search for a new system and Datatron's purchasing was the most powerful and flexible system we looked at. We like the ability to work with a company like Autologue, which will be responsive to our wants and needs quickly and is also a cost-effective solution. For example, we asked for the ability to fax and/or e-mail copies of invoices and advanced shipping notifications simultaneously as invoices are printed and, within a couple weeks, the software was written and implemented on our system."

Over the years, hardware and operating system platforms have continually increased capabilities due to technological changes. Datatron capitalized on this and is able to run on the latest AIX (IBM) and Linux operating systems. Network Products chose to run their system on an IBM model p510 RS/6000 series server, taking advantage of IBM's reputation for providing solid, dependable hardware.

Autologue said it continues to improve its existing products with a new Graphical User Interface (GUI) for use at point-of-sale. This will be available on the Datatron system after the first of the year. The new interface will provide users more visual information and easier navigation while invoicing, at the same time, not sacrificing any of the other powerful programming the Datatron system has to offer. All of Autologue's e-products are incorporated in a well-designed "Point of Information" screen, which gives the user an incredible amount of customer information, according to Autologue.

For additional information regarding Autologue's Datatron solution, call 800-722-1113.