

# EDI Solutions

## Strengthen Your Business Relationships to Maximize Competitive Advantage

M.R.S. EDI solutions focus on improving electronic data exchange and integration efficiencies, helping you expand, strengthen and leverage your business

relationships. We employ our proven EDI Methodology; knowledge of business processes, EDI applications and standards; and first-rate professional staff to ensure success. We provide cost-effective service offerings for organizations that are in EDI startup mode, as well as organizations with existing EDI implementations.

### M.R.S. EDI Methodology Overview

#### Define

##### Identify

- Identify EDI opportunity

##### Assess

- Perform needs assessment and system review

##### Discover

- Develop EDI strategy and roadmap
- Identify initial Trading Partner opportunity
- Identify initial Transaction and data requirements
- Identify system integration requirements
- Select EDI software, VAN(s) and/or technology options

##### Plan

- Select, plan and estimate initial Trading Partner implementation
- Develop back end systems integration plan

##### Propose

- Review EDI roadmap and proposed initial Trading Partner implementation plan with client

##### Contract

- Finalize contract and approve EDI engagement

#### Build

##### Initiate

- Organize project team
- Kick off project
- Initiate project execution and control processes

##### Build

- Install, and register software
- Set up communications
- Establish relationship with VAN(s)
- Review, refine and finalize systems integration plan
- Develop and implement systems integration solution

##### Connect\*

- Set up physical connection to VAN
- Set up Trading Partner

##### Map\*

- Reconcile application data with EDI transaction data
- Set up Transaction Set(s)
- Integrate transactions with back-end systems

##### Test\*

- Perform EDI full cycle test with Trading Partner

##### Finalize Documentation

- Assemble EDI Profiles and Trading Partner EDI Specifications Documents

#### Deploy

##### Deploy

- Deploy solution
- Deliver all documentation
- Train users
- Train technical personnel (Knowledge Transfer)

##### Transfer

- Monitor and stabilize solution
- Initiate support and maintenance
- Initiate automated EDI processing and data maintenance schedules

##### Close

- Evaluate product
- Evaluate and close project
- Conduct project post-deployment review

## Path for Accelerated ROI

We understand the business requirements driving EDI:

- Improve business partner communications
- Reduce operational costs
- Increase data exchange efficiencies

The *M.R.S. EDI Methodology* has been designed to help organizations realize the strategic and operational benefits of EDI.

We work with our customers to determine their data exchange and integration requirements and use a pragmatic approach to produce tangible early success. Our approach provides the maximum flexibility to adapt to future EDI technologies and business models, with an accelerated return on your EDI investment.

## Leverage Our Knowledge Base

Our knowledge is rooted in more than 20 years of systems integration and application development experience. Our EDI professional services team offers an exceptional blend of technical capabilities and extensive business operations knowledge spanning various industries, including Manufacturing,

Pharmaceuticals and Distribution. We understand application systems, EDI technologies and the dynamics of electronic trading relationships, uniquely enabling us to provide solutions to expand your trading community and EDI efficiencies.

Technology is the foundation of our EDI solutions. Our technology know-how is supported by technical certifications and partnerships with IBM as a Premier e-Business Partner, and Microsoft as a Gold Certified Partner.

Our partnership with Inovis enables us to combine the market-leading TrustedLink™ products with our EDI expertise, and provide our customers with best-in-class, cost-effective EDI solutions.

## Operate at Optimum Efficiency

We help organizations streamline and seamlessly integrate their electronic data exchange with external business partners, enterprise applications and legacy business systems, for maximum efficiency.

We work with our customers to develop a customized EDI strategy that supports their business goals; we recommend the most appropriate technologies; and design and implement solutions to provide quality, efficient and integrated data exchange, while leveraging investments in existing systems.

We have substantial expertise in implementing and interfacing EDI solutions with a range of ERP packages including JD Edwards and BPCS.

## M.R.S. EDI Services

We provide a complete range of EDI services across both traditional and emerging EDI technologies to help ensure the best possible return from your EDI investment.

M.R.S. provides the following EDI Services:

### EDI Strategic Consulting Services

- Requirements Assessment
- EDI Strategy and Systems Design
- Software, Technology and VAN Analysis
- Project Management and Staff Coordination

### EDI Implementation Services

- TrustedLink Installations, Upgrades, Migrations and Configurations
- Trading Partner Setup, Certification and Testing
- Transaction Data Mapping
- ERP Systems Integration and Automation
- XML, EDI INT, AS2 Implementation

### EDI Outsourcing Services

- EDI Help Desk
- Remote Traffic Monitoring and Troubleshooting
- EDI Documentation Management
- Operational Maintenance and Reporting
- Trading Partner and VAN Management
- EDI Operational Audit

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