

Collect-a-Can transforms business with D365 Business Central



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Decision Inc. has implemented the Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central business management solution at used beverage can recovery company Collect-a-Can to improve its business efficiencies and give it a platform for future business growth.



"With Collect-a-Can using custom-designed implementation of Microsoft Dynamics SL, it was time for them to further enhance their business processes with the features offered by D365 Business Central. We started discussions in October last year and will be implementing the new solution in January 2020 to align with the company's financial year-end" Craig Garrett, head of sales for Intelligent Business Operations at Decision Inc.

About Collect-a-Can

For more than two decades, Collect-a-Can has been at the forefront of minimising the negative impact of used beverage cans on the environment through the recovery of steel and aluminium beverage cans.

Its vision is to be the most successful, self-sustaining, oneway packaging recovery company, dedicated to the realisation of a land where the beverage can exists in harmony with the environment.

Collect-a-Can has been a Decision Inc. customer for more than 20 years with the service provider implementing a Microsoft solution at the organisation shortly after the packaging recovery company launched.

However, as the technology evolved over the years, Collect-a-Can required a more advanced offering that would enable the business to grow more effectively. Furthermore, it wanted to increase its process efficiency.

To this end, Decision Inc. proposed implementing the Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central business management solution to provide it with a more sophisticated environment to base its future growth on.

The Solution

According to Garrett, having a solution such as D365 Business Central would provide Collect-a-Can with a single system that would integrate all their business processes. And because it supports both on-premise and cloud environments, the customer could easily migrate as their future needs change.

"Furthermore, the new implementation would be a significantly more cost-effective environment for the business. User acceptance training has been completed with user training still to be undertaken before the project commences," he says.

The Result

The cloud-based connectivity of D365 Business Central will enable Collect-a-Can to process information from anywhere: Users will be able to connect to the system from anywhere they have an internet connection.

Using the Bank Statement Import feature, it will also be able to perform quicker cash processing. This functionality automatically imports a bank statement downloaded from the online banking platform. Once imported, it matches vendor and customer invoices against the payments listed. When matched, it will process payments and automatically reconcile the transactions.

The interactive multi-company reporting with PowerBI and D365 Business Central allows for considerably more user-friendly reporting across the organisation.

With Collect-a-Can using an external Point-of-Purchase system, Decision Inc. will also configure it to operate within D365 Business Central allowing for more real-time and accurate stock and purchase reporting.

"Finally, the platform will automate COD-based vendor payments. This will result in freeing up significant administration time spent managing vendor payments manually," he concludes.

"The client will have faster month-end journal processing. Using the Dynamics 365 Excel addin, Accrual/Provision journals will easily be saved in the appropriate format and synchronised with the system automatically, alleviating the manual processing of the journal lines,"

-Craig Garrett, head of sales for Intelligent Business Operations at Decision Inc.