



Saur
Paris, France
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Industry:

Utilities

Annual Revenue:

US\$2.8 billion

Employees:

12,400

Oracle Products & Services:

JD Edwards EnterpriseOne
Financials Management
Logistics Management
Supply Management

Implementor:

Oracle Consulting

“JD Edwards EnterpriseOne has led to more meticulous purchasing procedures right down to site level and is used by 1,600 operators. The results include far fewer unauthorized purchases and supplier disputes, better control of commitments, optimized purchasing performance and lower expenditures.” – Bruno Minguet, Contracting Authority Manager, Saur

Saur Improves Administrative Effectiveness, Optimizes Purchasing and Boosts Negotiating Power

Working alongside local and regional authorities, the Saur group designs and implements the solutions that best meet their needs. In France, Saur supplies 5.5 million consumers with drinking water and sewage treatment. Internationally, Saur provides services for 7 million people in Spain, Poland, Armenia and Middle East countries. Stereau designs and builds sewage works and drinking water production plants for the world's largest cities. In the cleansing field, Coved specializes in all aspects of the waste disposal chain and provides services for over 5 million people in France.

Challenges

- Modernize a diverse management system made up of obsolete applications with too many interfaces
- Accelerate writing entries to the accounts
- Optimize purchasing performance and stock-related costs
- Improve negotiating power
- Facilitate exchanges with international subsidiaries

Solution

- Deployed JD Edward EnterpriseOne to 2,500 users for financial management, purchasing, stocks, maintenance and sales
- Completed financial closure six days after month end (saving four days on average) instead of quarterly period ends that took 17 days to produce, in order to meet shareholder demands
- Integrated purchasing procedures end-to-end, from requests from operators on the ground (about 1,600 users) to invoice reconciliation
- Provided instant visibility of expenditure commitments through inclusion in the accounts from receipt of order
- Set up online catalogue (eCatalogue) of pre-negotiated items such as valves and pumps under master contracts
- Reduced the number of supplier disputes by nearly 70% through better control of commitments
- Reduced purchases by over 23 million euros
- Set up instant analysis of the maintenance costs of the Coved waste treatment subsidiary's 2,000 facilities