

## **Flexible solution at Wampfler Limited**

Wampfler Limited in Baltinglass is the Irish branch of the Wampfler Group, one of the world's leading suppliers of mobile energy supply and data transmission systems and handling systems. The company began production in Ireland in 1974 and employs forty people working in plastic injection moulding, steel stamping, rubber moulding, assembly, mould maintenance, packing and administration. The Irish company supplies to sister companies in England, Germany, The Netherlands, Switzerland and America. To meet the challenges posed by the expanding market and to help the overall management of the entire operation enabling improved efficiency and delivery lead-time, Wampfler Ireland has implemented Sage Manufacturing/Batch Controller.

“We needed to establish an application which could support our current practices to deliver the efficiency and considerably reduced lead times demanded by the market”, explains Michael Carbery, General Manager at Wampfler Limited. “We needed an integrated and flexible system to meet the requirements of our new demand driven approach”. Sage Manufacturing/Batch Controller was selected as it is designed for businesses involved in repetitive batch manufacturing. It automatically takes outstanding orders from Wampfler's Sage Line 50 Financial Controller programme and calculates the production requirements necessary to fulfill these. It also allows users to enter 'make for stock' items. It then allocates and issues stock against work orders, automatically updating the Line 50 accounts. Goods received are recorded for instant traceability, whilst certificates of conformity are produced, confirming products are manufactured to ISO quality standards.

“The solution allows us to deplete all stock as parts are produced and check our capacity both in materials and labour/machines to make different parts”, continues Michael. “Labour costs and cycle times are stored in one system and costings are possible after each batch is produced”. Because Sage Manufacturing/Batch Controller sits on Sage Line 50, piece costs and Bill of Materials are already stored in the system. The purchase order processing module is used for ordering raw materials and allows the importing of existing sales orders and production plans. All production costs are carried from Sage Line 50. The Bill of Material feature is critical for Wampfler as it allows additional information to be stored i.e. drawings, release levels, components and runtimes along with set-up times. “Raising of purchase orders based on required product and the storing of several suppliers for each product allows historical knowledge to be collected”, says Michael.

Wampfler selected PIMS as its technology partner and PIMS has responsibility for software, hardware, implementation services, training and – 7day support. PIMS installed the Sage Manufacturing/Batch Controller which fully integrates with Sage Line 50 Financial Controller. “We can now see for each machine what the load is for that planning duration”, says Michael. “Document control and drawing control is easier as all are now listed and stored in one source”. Manufacturing Instructions or any associated file can be added to each product

“The total Sage solution is easy to use, flexible and ideal in terms of reporting”, concludes Michael. “It enables us to predict our requirements giving a robust basis to check if additional capacity is available”.

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