

# Dripping Springs Chamber of Commerce Focus on Business: *P2 Programs*

When it comes to barcoding in industrial environments, there are many issues that can determine if you will have a successful implementation. Two of the major items that will determine your success are the software and the (barcode) hardware.

With all software and hardware installations, proper integration of the components is very important. When looking at implementing any new system, be sure to look for a vendor that can sell and support all the items you need for a successful implementation. Too many times, to save money, clients will purchase different parts from different suppliers. Software from one vendor, hardware from another, labels from still another and ribbons from another vendor. While you may have saved some money on the front end of the project, experience has shown that you will pay many times more in trying to get your “solution” up and running. Then, when there is a problem, as there always is, you can spend hours or days (which equates to money) trying to figure out exactly where the problem lies and which vendor is responsible to fix the issue.

We have been called many times to work as a consultant to help clients pinpoint the problems in their barcode installations. With many of these clients, we find they have spent top dollar on the mo-



bile computers, access points and printers but have used the least expensive labels possible to apply to the finished product. In any successful barcode installation, one of the most important parts of any application using barcoding is the actual label itself. If the label has fallen off or cannot be scanned, then all the capital dollars spent on software and hardware has been wasted!

With all of our products, integration and improvement of your current process

is key! We can implement our standard packages in a few short days – not weeks or years. Most of our installations are performed in four days or less – saving you time and money! The majority of our customers experience an ROI of one year or less. Your employees will be able to easily use our software/hardware solution by the end of training. All these factors will give your customers greater satisfaction with your services and improve your profit margin.

*P2 Programs (www.p2programs.com) specializes in software applications that use barcode technology to track products and processes in an industrial environment. Started in 1986, we have been using barcoding technology to improve operations in the Steel Fabrication industry, Warehousing operations, Pre-Cast Concrete and the Recycled Textile industries.*



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