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Supply Chain Management's Forward Warehouse Network

Sysco has developed a partnership with multiple third-party warehouse partners to create a Forward Warehouse Network. The goal of this network is to aggregate inventory for our inbound freight—making it more efficient.

Through its network of 14 warehouses, the Forward Warehouse Network delivers a variety of value-added services to suppliers and Sysco through the storage of products in a multi-temperature environment. The Forward Warehouse Network makes it possible for Sysco to combine small, less-than-truckload (LTL) shipments to maximize truckload deliveries to the Operating Company (OpCo).

Each warehouse in the network is managed by a Sysco Site Manager, who works with BSCC, inventory control and QA to ensure:

- Product integrity
- Inventory accuracy
- Bio-terrorism compliance
- Damage prevention
- On-time performance

The value-added services provided by the network include:

- Reduction of out-of-route mileage
- Elimination of added stop charges
- Maximized load fill
- Reduction in transaction costs
- Cross-docking opportunities

For the OpCo, value can be seen in a reduction in inventory, and a reduction in the number of inbound LTL carriers. For the supplier its improved dock management at the supplier plant or warehouse, and access to all of Sysco OpCos; reduced lead time to OpCos; and managed product and packaging integrity.

In recent months, the Forward Warehouse Network has added 28 new suppliers, and has expanded its network to include a new frozen-product warehouse in LaPorte, TX. The Network has also added cross docking at the Romeoville, IL warehouse, and are working with National Transportation Management to further grow their cross-docking network. As BSCC grows their sourcing initiative, the Forward Warehouse Network is working with them to bring sourced vendors into the network.

Forward Warehouse Network

| Site Manager | Warehouses |
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For more information about the Forward Warehouse Network, visit their SharePoint site at: <http://bbp/sites/fwn>