The efficient business model with Vendor Managed Inventory
Inventory solution for a chemical distributor

Benefits at a glance
The SupplyCare inventory management platform supports users in:
- Monitoring inventory levels in tanks anywhere, anytime through standard web interface
- Viewing status information of tanks and react on it (alarm, events management)
- Coordinating the material and interaction flow along the supply chain
- Improving forecasting through complete visibility and planning related replenishment easily
- Protecting from product losses/thefts
- Integrating relevant field data into ERP system

The automation and efficient management of business processes should not be confined to the company alone. By collaborating with business partners, more efficient business models can evolve. One model is a Vendor Managed Inventory (VMI), where the supplier is responsible for the replenishment and delivery of material to our customer.

Four challenges to get full transparency
- Our customer wanted a tool for a coordinated planning and a possible logistic system to practice Vendor Managed Inventory with on-time delivery
- A monthly report of the inventory is a must-have.
- To avoid missing delivery, an automatic and transparent planning / forecasting with reminders is preferred.

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This is normally a regional chemical distributor or a delivery company with one to ten distributed in one or more locations handling different products with the target to guarantee "just in time" supplies its customers.

- Everything should be implemented with minimum budget investing into new IT infrastructure.

**SupplyCare is the solution**  
Our customer has 1 to ten tanks distributed in one or more locations handling different products.

- SupplyCare Hosting as supply chain management software is designed to fit perfect as Vendor Managed Inventory system. Reports can be generated automatically and be sent to the headquarters.
- Our SupplyCare Hosting automatically send out an alarm or limit notifications to defined employees. Therefore the customer defines, which alarm from which tank goes to whom.
- In case the customer decides to invest on its own IT infrastructure, SupplyCare Enterprise will be the proper solution.
- SupplyCare guarantees close collaboration and allows high level of trust and understanding between all partners.

**Components**

Go to www.easc.endress.com/chemical-distributor for the detailed list of all devices used in this solution.

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