

# FlexAbility™ EDI Link



## Electronic Data Interchange & Advance Ship Notification for Microsoft® Business Solutions - Solomon®

In today's increasingly interconnected business world, businesses are finding new ways to take their supply chain execution to the next level. Speed of reaction, automated and timely transaction processing along with increased customer satisfaction are key to remaining competitive in a marketplace driven by a need to reduce business transaction costs.

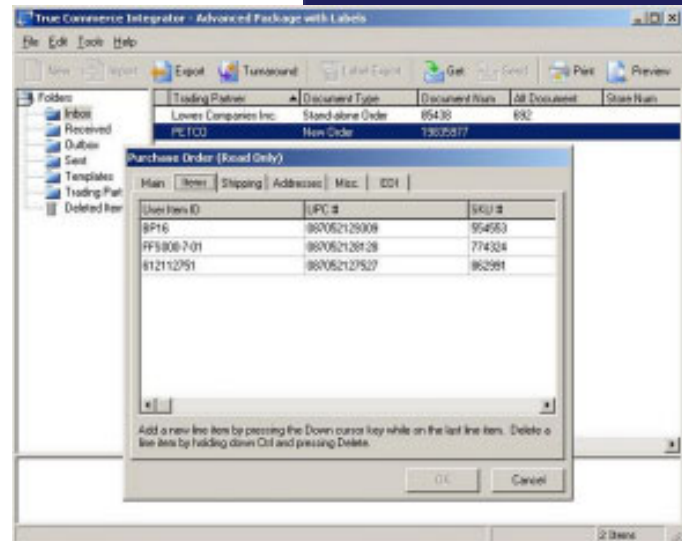
FlexAbility™ EDI Link and TrueCommerce Integrator™ for Microsoft® Business Solutions—Solomon® provide businesses a solution to integrate and automate business transactions with customers, vendors and remote warehouses via EDI. An efficient alternative to traditional paper-based communications, FlexAbility EDI Link and TrueCommerce Integrator allow you to:

- Reduce business transaction costs
- Minimize errors and paperwork
- Comply with customer and vendor EDI mandates
- Ensure timely order processing and reconciliation
- Improve shipping and receiving accuracy
- Provide for faster fulfillment and shipping

### Automating Business Transactions

Traditionally, companies enter data into their internal business applications, print forms containing data such as purchase or sales order information, and then submit the documentation to a trading partner via mail, phone, fax or e-mail. The trading partner in turn receives the form and must then re-key the data into another business application—typically resulting in poor response times, excessive paperwork and the potential for errors.

With FlexAbility EDI Link and TrueCommerce Integrator for Microsoft Solomon, this process is automated. The EDI pathway retrieves transaction information, creates the outbound EDI documents and transmits them electronically to the appropriate destination. EDI Purchase Orders from a customer automatically become Sales Orders in Microsoft Solomon, which allows a business in turn to transmit a paperless EDI Solomon invoice back to the customer's system as an Accounts Payable. Acknowledgements are automatically transmitted back to the customer to validate receipt of orders, and terms and prices are verified.



## Advance Shipment Notification

Businesses today often require their trading partners to notify them of advance shipments—a task that has traditionally been a manual process for most suppliers. They want to know what pallets are being shipped by which carrier and the shipment size and weight, and to be able to scan bar codes to learn what products are in each box or which boxes are on what pallet once delivered.

With FlexAbility Data Collection and FlexAbility's Advance Shipment Notice (ASN) module, businesses can now inform their customers of incoming shipments. FlexAbility's ASN module allows businesses to:

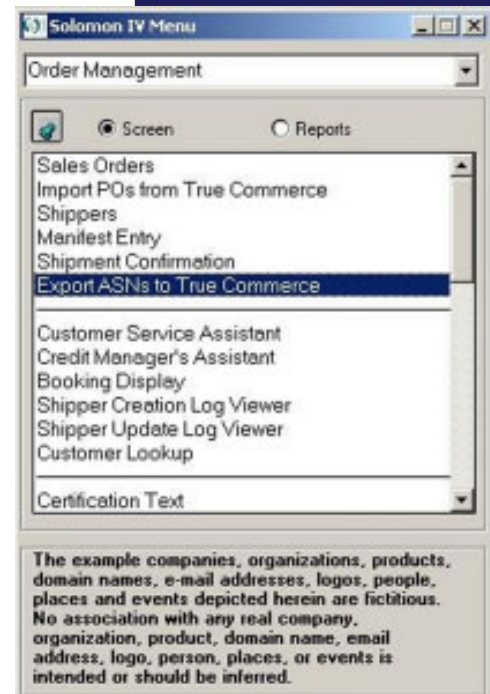
- **Support Standard Pack and Pick and Pack processes**
- **Transmit processed Sales Orders into Advance Shipment Notices**
- **Automatically generate and print UCC-128 compliance shipping labels at pick ticket release time**

Set up options allow businesses to automate the pick ticket process by building shipment detail information including weight and dimension calculations, bills of lading, carrier information, and by tracking shipments via the Internet. Advance Ship Notice also allows businesses to automatically generate and print UCC-128 compliance shipping labels at pick ticket release time using the BarTender label design software. UCC-128 trading partner templates are automatically populated with the appropriate data from the ASN module before the UCC-128 templates are sent to the printer.

## The Coalition Connection

Coalition Computing Corporation was founded as a consulting and programming services company in December 1993. A Microsoft Certified Business Solutions Partner for over eight years, we have developed in-depth expertise in Microsoft Business Solutions technologies and as a Solution Developer, we continue to evolve our own solutions to meet the unique business needs of our customers. Our development strategy includes plans to enable hub transactions in the future.

Founded in 1995, TrueCommerce is an EDI solutions provider. Their mission is to bridge the electronic commerce gap between small and mid-tier companies and their larger trading partners, and today have customers exchanging over 2.5 million EDI transactions annually. Coalition Computing partnered with TrueCommerce to deliver the FlexAbility EDI Link for Microsoft Business Solutions—Solomon.



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