

Major Shift in RFID: "Competitive Advantage" Closing in on "Compliance" as Motivation for Engaging Technology

Infosys Survey Says Cost Reduction, Efficient Asset Management Chief Goals

July 21, 2005; Fremont, CA: Companies are increasingly moving beyond retailer compliance mandates and considering Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) initiatives for competitive advantage, says an Infosys survey of executives from high tech manufacturing, consumer product goods, logistics and pharmaceutical industries.

While RFID adoption continues to be driven primarily by retail mandate compliance (45%), competitive advantage came in a close second (38%). More than half of the respondents believed that their RFID initiatives have significant implications on cost reduction and asset efficiency improvements in their supply chain.

"While compliance driven implementation is natural, the survey clearly shows that the future holds immense potential for companies choosing to invest in RFID as a strategic differentiator," said Sateesh Seetharamiah, RFID Solution Leader, Infosys Technologies Ltd. "Although there seem to be disparate levels of adoption and expectations from RFID programs, there is a consensus that RFID can most certainly strengthen supply chain efficiencies in the long-run."

While there is substantial interest in adopting RFID, most respondents believe that there are significant technology challenges to be overcome (42%), such as the still-evolving RFID standards and the remaining technical implementation challenges. The cost of implementation came up as the second biggest hurdle in RFID adoption.

Eighty-two percent of respondents agreed that rapid deployment is important for the success of RFID programs while 72% emphasized the need for vendors with global delivery capabilities.

"The survey findings validate Infosys' solution approach which leverages existing technology to deliver rapid deployment and lower cost of roll-out, coupled with scalability, even in compliance-driven investments," Sateesh noted.

Methodology for survey

The survey, conducted in June 2005, polled executives from supply chain, operations, logistics and IT functions at the RFID Day Logicon 2005 - the premier Logistics and Supply Chain Conference held at Pasadena, California from June 13-15, 2005. Participants were mainly from high tech manufacturing, pharmaceutical, logistics and retail industries.

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