

TDS Corporate Services Freight Payment Solutions



With 25 years of experience providing freight payment and contract management services to ITT Corporation as well as a vast array of external clients, TDS is uniquely equipped to provide you with immediate and significant savings. Our proven freight management solutions can help you to reduce your overall transportation costs by as much as 40 percent.

Benefits include:

- Superior leveraged freight rates
- Comprehensive pre-audits to reduce overpayment and recovery costs
- Electronic (EDI) and hard copy invoice processing
- Web-based customer approval processes to decrease processing time
- Improved freight cost reporting to help you better manage your freight spend
- Instant on-line invoice status for carriers to eliminate calls to you
- Reduced overhead costs

How Can TDS Help You?

TDS customers benefit from freight rates leveraged across a freight spend greater than three hundred million dollars per year. Full automation with our invoice and auditing processes ensures your billing is correct the first time while decreasing the time from invoice to payment. This results in savings from reduced late fees and improves the relationship with your carriers.

TDS's strategic partnerships with a large number of carriers and the backing of a secure Fortune 500 company allows us to offer highly competitive freight rates to your company. We maintain substantial discounts on air, ground, expedited, LTL and truckload shipments for both domestic and international shipments. In addition, we manage the carrier relationships, ensuring you always receive high quality, timely service.

Through strategic partnerships TDS can offer end-to-end freight payment and logistics solutions that will provide greater efficiencies and savings throughout all your transportation processes.

Success Story

In early 2000 Invisible Technologies came to TDS looking to reduce their overall freight expenses. By taking advantage of ITT's leveraged carrier contracts, Invisible Technologies was able to slash costs by 36 percent on their largest shipping mode without service disruption with their preferred carriers. TDS's streamlined payment processes then secured the cost-savings by auditing carrier invoices to ensure their billings were accurate and paid in a timely manner. Invisible Technologies has recently signed a new multi-year agreement with TDS.

For more information on this success story and others, contact TDS Sales and Marketing.



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Freight Payment and Audit Solution

Duplicate Checking

Our systems analyze each invoice against current and historical payment information to identify and reject potential duplicate invoices. All invoices identified as duplicates are automatically rejected back to the carrier. This comprehensive review prevents errors that often result in overpayment by your company.

Pre-Audit Services

After data collection and duplicate checking, invoices are routed to our electronic rate database which calculates the appropriate rate charges for each shipment. Any invoice that fails rate review is then examined by TDS rate auditors. The rate auditors cut the rates to their proper levels and communicate the changes to the carriers on your behalf.

By pre-auditing your invoices, TDS ensures you pay

only what is owed, saving your company overpayment and recovery costs. In fact, TDS's comprehensive audit screening has saved our clients more than fifteen million dollars over the past five years.

Payment Processing

TDS issues carrier payments and client invoices on a weekly basis. You simply send one payment to TDS for all your company's freight services, and we take care of the rest. After payment we provide you with in-depth reporting on all of your shipping information.

TDS saves you the time and resources required to create, print and send checks to all your logistics and shipping service providers, as well as the overhead costs of managing your own freight through your already busy AP/AR department.

Web Access and Dedicated Customer Service Complete the Package

Web Access for Clients

Through our secure web-based system you can research invoice status at anytime by logging onto our website and entering the invoice Pro number. You can view the progress of the invoice through the TDS system and see when it has been paid. Your company also has the ability to review, approve and/or reject invoices directly from our website based on your rules. We provide you with the information you need, when and where you need it, so you will have real-time access to your company's freight data.

Web Access for Carriers

Our carriers also have the ability to research invoices for their shipments. They can follow the invoice through the system to find out payment status, and even check numbers for payments. This real-time access eliminates calls to you from carriers seeking status on invoices and payments.

Dedicated Customer Service

Each of our customers is assigned a dedicated customer service representative who handles all invoice, payment and carrier issues. Our customer service team takes the responsibility of dealing with carriers away from your staff, freeing them up to perform other valuable tasks for your organization.

