

# Shipper Benefits

Epay Manager automates payment processes for increased accuracy & savings potential.



## Total Control

Take control of your bottom line by reducing processing and direct costs using Epay Manager.

### Benefits

Epay Manager is a web-based, electronic payment application designed for the transportation industry. The system will allow shippers to manage data and process freight invoices electronically. The benefits include:

- Free custom system integration
- Improve efficiency & productivity with automation
- Automate data entry
- Reduce direct transportation costs by an average of 2%
- Custom approval sequences, allowing required parties to review invoices prior to payment
- Reduce overhead, operating costs by up to 75%
- Extensive reporting tools for cash forecasting and account reconciliation
- Custom payment term options for each carrier
- Auto payment for all or selected carriers
- Custom fee options for each carrier
- Proof of delivery documents, invoices, and rate agreements are created and stored electronically
- Full audit logs identifying the username, date and time of every activity
- Improve carrier relations with increased payment options and communication
- Obtain the benefits of EDI without the cost
- No software to purchase, update, or maintain
- No additional hardware required
- Custom systems integration for contract members
- Flexible fee allocation to carriers makes Epay a no cost solution
- Designed to work with existing A/P procedures and management and accounting software

Processing invoices and making timely payments is one of the most important elements in maintaining a viable carrier network. Epay Manager offers shippers the ultimate solution to this problem, by combining all accounts payable information, including delivery documents, reporting tools, bank account management, transaction auditing, discount options and payment scheduling into one system. Epay is designed to integrate with a shipper's management and accounting software and eliminate many of the inefficiencies that adversely affect timely payment to carriers.

With Epay, shippers are no longer required to audit paper invoices and print paper checks. Instead, these documents are created electronically and proof of delivery documents are faxed to our state of the art imaging center where they are indexed and posted online. Paper checks are replaced with electronic transfers and folder and file cabinets are replaced with organized, flexible online reports and lists. The electronic receipt and processing of invoices means that mail time is completely eliminated and the billing process is reduced to a few clicks of the mouse.

#### Eliminates Paper and Mail Time

Everyone knows that the slowest part of the billing cycle is collecting paperwork and waiting for delivery of these documents through the mail. Epay's unique Automated Document Imaging system receives these documents by fax and converts them to high-resolution, electronic files, allowing a shipper to retrieve them at any time. Electronic documentation reduces cost by eliminating the time accounts payable staff members spend opening mail, sorting, copying, creating and retrieving files. Because shippers receive P.O.D.'s electronically, mail time and storage cost is eliminated and the payment cycle is shortened to the carrier.

#### Extensive Reporting & Auditing Tools

Epay offers extensive reporting and auditing tools to help shippers analyze and manage data. These tools provide shippers with the ability to forecast cash, reconcile accounts and search for current and historical transactions. In addition, they will reduce the time spent handling carrier inquiries regarding the timely receipt of documents and the timing of approvals and payments.

#### A Better Alternative to Outsourcing

Experience shows that outsourcing freight payables is one of the most expensive options a shipper can face. Because most third party payment services require clients to pre-fund disbursement accounts, shippers release money before it is paid to the carrier. Epay does not require a shipper to pre-fund a disbursement account. All disbursements are made directly from the shipper's current bank account, when they are due, allowing a shipper to more profitably allocate idle funds. With Epay, a shipper can efficiently manage and maintain an in-house A/P department and offer multiple and faster payment terms to its carriers in exchange for discounts. These payment options can reduce the direct transportation costs a shipper incurs by more than 2%.

