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SupplyScape, Nosco & Systech launch e-Pedigree system



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SupplyScape, Nosco and Systech International have announced a new integrated RFID-based solution to address the growing global problem of counterfeiting and product diversion in the pharmaceutical industry.

Together with systems integrator HP, the companies are offering customers an all-inclusive solution framework to streamline compliance with the US State of California's requirements for product serialisation and electronic pedigrees, which take effect on 1st January 2009.

Easier compliance

The solution aims to help pharmaceutical companies improve their compliance posture with California's e-pedigree law in an effort to ensure that the state's drug supply is safe and secure.

HP, Nosco, SupplyScape and Systech say they will provide pharmaceutical and biotech clients with all the industry-standard components needed to build a complete strategy for serialisation and e-pedigrees. The overall solution was designed to help stem the potentially massive revenue losses that could result from criminal counterfeiting activities.

Unique IDs mandated

Specifically, the new California e-pedigree law requires pharmaceutical manufacturers to create unique identifiers for products, track each product's pedigree and maintain electronic supply chain records. In addition to the law, many wholesalers expect to receive serialised products in July 2008.

The partners' new solution combines 2D and RFID enabled packaging components with e-pedigree serialisation and tracking solutions, and integrates these components with the client's existing ERP and enterprise applications.

Partner roles

In this new partnership, HP guides the architecture, ERP/WMS integration and project services for the solution, and also manufactures the digital press technology used to print the serialised label and packaging.

Nosco creates pre-serialised packaging solutions for the integrated solution framework, while SupplyScape delivers the e-pedigree data management system and serialisation strategy. Finally, Systech brings its packaging line serialisation expertise to the solution.

Together, the four companies have been hosting California e-pedigree compliance workshops in cities across the US, as well as offering a *California Compliance Assessment* to help companies review their readiness.

For additional information:

- Visit SupplyScape at <http://www.supplyscape.com>
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