

## Nabuurs preparing for growth with ORTEC

Implementation of ORTEC Transport & Distribution (ORTEC TD) at Nabuurs has gone very well. Initial objectives for planning trucks with the system have already been achieved, and the planners are very positive about the ORTEC TD approach. Nabuurs aims to generate more business with ORTEC TD, employing the same number of planners, using fewer trucks, and clocking less mileage. This is why they chose ORTEC Transport & Distribution to further optimize their transportation network.

**Nabuurs: ‘We generate more business with less capacity using ORTEC Transport & Distribution’**



- Services: transportation and distribution, warehousing and VAL activities
- Operates in four market sectors: cool, frozen, dry and live
- Locations: Belgium, Germany, Poland, and The Netherlands
- Most of its customers operate in Fast Moving Consumer Goods (FMCG), principally food products.

‘The project continues to go well,’ according to Marcel Theunissen from Nabuurs. As former project manager, he has been closely involved with the implementation since its inception.

Currently, he is following developments from the sideline at Friesland Foods, Nabuurs’ largest customer. ‘The project has also had a significant impact at Friesland Foods, mainly because Friesland Foods, like Nabuurs and ORTEC, is affiliated with Transumo, a platform of companies, government bodies and knowledge centers jointly developing solutions in the field of sustainable mobility. One of ORTEC Transport & Distribution’s objectives is to reduce the number of ‘empty miles’, i.e. the mileage clocked by empty trucks. Reduced mileage means lower costs and less overtime, but also less pollution and a more sustainable way of working’, comments Theunissen.

### Better Overview

ORTEC Transport & Distribution also enables Nabuurs to gain a better overview of its planning across all of its business units. OTD provides a comprehensive filtering feature allowing faster insight into complex consignments. Administrative processes

can also be automated using ORTEC, which saves Nabuurs a considerable amount of time. Chief Planner Johan Pieper stated ‘I am convinced that this system creates more possibilities than before.’ Paul Dragstra, who was closely involved during the implementation phase as an external tester, has just started testing the system and said ‘My first impressions are that it is a very good system that offers a lot of possibilities.’





To achieve its objectives, Nabuurs will be performing weekly measurements. ‘In this way, we can see what action we need to take in order to improve our method of operation,’ says Theunissen. ‘We began with optimization at Ede. There, we perform scheduling for about a hundred vehicles. We then aim to roll out the system across the rest of the organization so that eventually we will be scheduling a total of 350 vehicles. Finally, we will be looking at possibility of implementing ORTEC Transport & Distribution at other locations in Belgium, Germany, and Poland.’

**Impressed**

ORTEC Transport & Distribution is an important instrument towards preparing Nabuurs for future growth. ‘We have to optimize our transportation network before we can grow any further,’ says Marcel Theunissen. ‘We have no doubt that we can achieve these objectives with ORTEC, because of the vast expertise this company has gained in the transportation sector. ORTEC has a firm foothold there.’

One of the most important reasons for choosing ORTEC was the company’s mentality and attitude. ‘ORTEC is truly dedicated and has thoroughly convinced us of the value of this system. They offer a standard product that can be implemented across all of our business units. New updates and releases are all centrally managed at ORTEC and we are certain that ORTEC will continue to develop and optimize our systems. I am also very impressed with the value for money that ORTEC represents.’

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