

# EASY ENTERPRISE™ Integrated into Microsoft Dynamics GP makes Invoice Capture and Management a Seamless Task at South East Water

## Another EASY success story



South East Water supplies approximately 400 million litres of drinking water every day to 1.4 million people in the South of England. The company employs 400 people and generates an annual turnover of over £100m.

In 2003 South East Water embarked on a project to select a new software solution to replace its JD Edwards back office system. Following a long and rigorous selection process, M4 Systems, a Microsoft Business Solutions Partner was awarded the contract beating off larger rivals including Oracle and SAP.

M4 Systems, a strategic EASY SOFTWARE partner, had based its bid around the Microsoft Dynamics GP Enterprise Resource Planning solution, integrated with document scanning, workflow and archive from EASY SOFTWARE and ReQlogic™ eProcurement from Tectura Channel Products

The project was subject to a very tight deadline due to a planned implementation of a new customer billing system at the end of that year. As a result, the Dynamics GP solution needed to be implemented and go live by September and that was achieved thanks to the dedicated efforts of a combined M4 consultancy team working in partnership with some key South East Water employees, in particular Joe Hurley and Deirdre Howes.



### eInvoicing

The new Dynamics GP system went live on 1st October and this was successfully followed by integrated eProcurement and document scanning and management.

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# SUCCESS THROUGH PARTNERSHIP



**PARTNER:**  
M4 Systems

**INDUSTRY:**  
Utilities

Invoice scanning, storage and management is one of the most widespread applications of document management worldwide. EASY ENTERPRISE™ integrates easily to a wide range of accounting systems so that organisations can benefit from the improved efficiency, productivity and reduced reliance on paper that this process automation delivers. South East Water was no exception. Invoices are scanned and stored electronically and automated through their approval process by the EASY DOCUMENTS Workflow Engine. Without leaving their desk, administration and accounts personnel can process, track and locate invoices in seconds so no risk of paper loss or misfiling. Many benefits were quickly realised, such as greatly improved efficiency and reporting.

"This is just phase one of our project," said Jo Hurley, IT Project Manager, South East Water. "We have taken the opportunity to review all business processes with the aim of streamlining the way we handle our information. By switching to Microsoft Dynamics GP and with the additional functionality supported by M4 systems we anticipate many improvements in our finance function by shortening the process cycles and by automating transactions."

This key project win for M4 Systems vindicated its belief that for many larger companies SAP or Oracle need not be the default choice. Dynamics GP offers equivalent functionality and provides a system which is far more user-friendly, considerably more flexible, significantly cheaper to purchase, much quicker to implement and has a dramatically lower total cost of ownership.

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## About EASY SOFTWARE

EASY SOFTWARE, which was founded in 1990 and is listed on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange, is Europe's foremost provider of integrated document management technologies with more than 9,500 customers worldwide. Global and local companies rely on EASY's comprehensive suite of scaleable document technologies to automate their businesses, improve productivity and efficiency and to meet increasing regulatory requirements.

EASY SOFTWARE is a Microsoft Gold Partner and the second largest provider of SAP archiving solutions worldwide. EASY promotes its extensive suite of document management solutions both directly and indirectly through a network of 200+ global sales partners. More than 100 software development companies have created interfaces to EASY ENTERPRISE™, the company's flagship solution.

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