

Customer success stories

# Transforming legacy order management

Streamlining processes and reducing risks at leading construction equipment manufacturer

# **Customer challenge**

Customer was facing significant challenges with its outdated order management systems, which were built decades ago for a simpler, less global business model.

The current system lacks the flexibility to handle complex, distributed orders and requires extensive manual intervention, increasing the risk of errors and inefficiencies. Moreover, a significant portion of the legacy system is unmodifiable, posing a substantial business risk. The transition to more modern systems is hindered by the need for manual processes and additional staffing to support new facilities, particularly in regions like China.

## AWS + Cognizant solution description

Cognizant implemented a modern order management system at Caterpillar, which automated the routing of orders to appropriate fulfillment nodes, based on product group needs, using advanced AWS cloud technologies. They developed algorithms, compilers and integration capabilities to streamline the SAP Variant Configuration, significantly reducing manual work. The event-based architecture of this scalable platform mitigates risks associated with legacy ERP systems, providing real-time order visibility and lifecycle tracking. The technology stack included Java, Python, Spring Boot, AWS Lambda, ECS Fargate, DynamoDB, RDS, EventBridge, CloudWatch, CloudTrail, S3, SQS, SNS, CloudFormation, Transfer Family, AppFlow, API Gateway, Step Functions, Secrets Manager and Azure DevOps.

## **Outcomes/results**

The Cognizant modern order management project has revolutionized order processing by integrating cutting-edge technology and streamlined processes. It decreased manual workloads, interventions and errors. By utilizing AWS cloud to connect with Salesforce, SAP and legacy systems, the project has automated the correction of payment terms for over 4,000 monthly orders. Additionally, it has enhanced real-time order visibility and tracking for stakeholders, significantly reduced model load efforts from 240 hours to 40 hours and eliminated the need for 67 order data analysts. This transformation has not only improved efficiency but also empowered the organization to better manage its order lifecycle. This project earned Cognizant the "Best Enabler of the Enterprise Strategy" award at the WW IT Conference in 2023.

## About the partner

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