



ADS Rate-IT Software Solution

Many companies have made great strides in controlling shipping costs in their supply chain, but have struggled to apply the same discipline to other areas of operations. Until recently, few solutions were available to quickly and easily share shipping tools across the enterprise.

ADS has solved this problem with Rate-IT, an easy-to-use, web-based, multi-carrier rating solution. Accessible from any desktop, Rate-IT extends shipment planning to other departments such as:

- Purchasing
- Sales and marketing
- Customer order entry
- Service and repair
- Returns
- Facilities management

Fast answers to shipping questions

Rate-IT makes it easy for employees in any department to get fast, accurate answers to shipping questions. Users simply log into Rate-IT's intuitive, web-based browser, enter their shipment details and let Rate-IT go to work.

Rate-IT considers all carriers, calculates costs and time-in-transit and presents all available options in a friendly on-screen format. Users can easily compare carriers, freight costs,

Get it right the first time

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service levels and transit times with regional, national and international carriers.

Accurate answers, every time

Rate-IT can be configured to include custom carrier rates and delivery specifications to ensure that you get the right answers, every time. Calculations can also be configured to show actual or customer-billed freight costs, according to each department's needs.

Additionally, Rate-IT eliminates errors and additional delivery charges that result from incomplete or inaccurate delivery addresses. Rate-IT includes intuitive on-screen help tools such as pop-up windows, audible alerts and preview screens to ensure that accurate delivery details are provided.

Implementation Options

Option I: *Easy desktop deployment*

Rate-IT can be installed as a client/server solution where carrier rating and routing tools are stored on the server. A user-friendly



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A Company-Wide Approach to Controlling Shipping Costs

shipping window is installed as a client, and is accessible from any computer in the organization.

Option II: *An integrated solution to feed your host systems*

ADSI can also provide Rate-IT as an integrated solution to “push” shipping costs and delivery details to your customer order entry, purchase order and other systems.

Cost and Time-Saving Benefits

No need to phone multiple carriers or log in to separate systems for quotes. Rate-It eliminates time-consuming, error-prone manual routines taking place in many areas of your organization.

Rate-It customers enjoy numerous benefits including:

- Greater control over shipping costs
- Elimination of costly shipping errors
- Faster, accurate answers in less time
- Assurance that shipping policies are being followed company-wide

Shipment Query to Shipment Processing

Rate-IT can also be configured to pass confirmed shipment orders to the warehouse, mailroom or

The screenshot displays the ADSI Online Shipping Suite interface. It includes a navigation menu on the left with options like Home, Request-IT, Rate-IT, and Report-IT. The main content area is divided into several sections: CARRIER INFORMATION (Origin: ADSI, Ship Date: 7/25/2011, Ship Method: FedEx vs LTL, Packaging: CUSTOM), SHIP TO ADDRESS (City: Minneapolis, Postal Code: 55405, State: MN, Country: United States), ACCESSORIALS (Liftgate Delivery, Residential Delivery, Appointment Delivery, Forklift Delivery, Pallet Jack Delivery), SHIPMENT TOTALS (Declared Value, COD), PACKAGE INFORMATION (Add Single Package, Add Multiple Pkgs, Add Skid, Number Of Packages, Weight Per Package, Package Dimensions, Freight Class: 60), and RATE RESULTS (Table with columns for Service, Total, and Time In Transit/Error). The Rate Results table shows three options: Yellow Freight (\$101.15, Next Day), Old Dominion Freight Lines (\$128.25, Next Day), and FedEx Ground (\$213.89, 2nd Day). The footer contains contact information for ADSI and version details (ADSI Ship-IT4 Version: 1.0.3).

other areas for actual processing—all according to specific operational requirements. ADSI project specialists can help you define the workflow process that best fits your needs.

Smart Way to Control Shipping Costs

To find out how you can deploy Rate-IT to reduce shipping costs across all departments in your organization, call ADSI at 877-755-2374 today.



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