

FACTIVITY

CASE STUDY

CLIENT: *Morrison Products*

THE COMPANY

Morrison Products designs, manufactures and sells a complete line of air moving parts for original equipment manufacturers in the heating, ventilation, air conditioning and refrigeration (HVAC&R) industries. Morrison's line of products include blower wheels, blower assemblies, propellers and elevator fans. Typically, the company's blower wheels are used inside air conditioning units. Prop fans are installed in condensing units. Morrison supplies such major names as Carrier, Lennox, Rheem and Trane.

THE CHALLENGE

Relying on pencil and paper to track shop floor activity, Morrison Products needed a better way to accurately collect data and evaluate set up time.

THE STRATEGY

Morrison Products installed FACTIVITY's WORKBENCH software in the fall of 2012. With the data collected by WORKBENCH, managers can view shop floor activities in real time for improved production control.

"The implementation process went very well," said Rob McPhail, Manager, Morrison Products in Dallas, Texas. "It works as advertised and has been easy for personnel to use. Everyone was up and running with it fairly quickly." Morrison has three supervisors managing the software and about 50 total employees using the system on a daily basis.

While WORKBENCH has the functionality to track many different productivity metrics, Morrison Products is currently only using it to collect set up times. "It's very customizable," said McPhail. "I can create specific reports to show me just what I want to see. I'm able to see my average and detailed set up times very easily. "

THE RESULT

"WORKBENCH has greatly impacted our information gathering abilities," said McPhail. We plan to use this information to improve our set up times in the near future and increase productivity. We are only using a small portion of its total capabilities right now, but plan on expanding on it in the near future."

Would McPhail recommend FACTIVITY's WORKBENCH to others? "Absolutely yes," he said. "I think FACTIVITY has given us a great platform to collect valuable information about our production processes, so we will be able to make fact-based decisions to make improvements."

Learn more about FACTIVITY and its software solutions for the factory floor at www.factivity.com or call (800) 369-6377 to determine if FACTIVITY can help your shop floor work leaner and become more efficient.