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The Client: Pocohontas Aluminum Company

Pocahontas Aluminum
Company Inc. specializes in the manufacturing of aluminum products, specifically windows and doors. The company of approximately 100 employees has established themselves as an innovator in the design and manufacturing capability of aluminum windows and doors and has set industry standards for the quality of products in their category.

Website:

www.pocahontasaluminum.com

The Challenge

With products in high demand throughout North America, it's imperative that Pocahontas Aluminum Company Inc. operates with ease. Andy McAfee, IT coordinator for Pocahontas Aluminum, identified ways in which the company could be more efficient. Their time and attendance process, for example, left employees waiting in line for as much as 15 minutes to clock in and out each day.

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As Pocahontas Aluminum began to search for something that would speed up their time clock line they sought out various companies. Then-provider SysPro offered a solution, but it required additional software implementation and would cost an additional \$10,000 to 12,000; too expensive for a company Pocahontas' size. McAfee called a former colleague who ultimately referred him to Wasp.

The Solution

Pocahontas Aluminum purchased the Wasp RFID time and attendance solution. RFID technology enables employees to quickly punch in and out simply by passing in the vicinity of the time clock. What once was a 15-minute wait now takes no longer than two minutes.

The Result

Pocahontas continues to find other ways in which their purchase from Wasp can benefit their company. "In the program we were previously using, the holiday feature was not even offered. This application alone saves at least three hours of work per holiday. A lot of time has also been saved while entering vacation time. No longer do we have to wait to input vacation, we can instead enter it when the request is made, making it much easier to monitor everyone's vacation."