

Success Story | Company Carve-out

Business continuity assured: carve-out with seamless cutover

Efficiency and close collaboration enabled Nativion to complete the cutover much faster than planned

Partnering with NDBS, Nativion leveraged its expertise and powerful tools to carve out the SAP data of Tricon Wear Solutions, a former subsidiary of Madison Industries that had been acquired by Construction Forms Inc. Nativion was able to complete and hand over the project earlier than scheduled, impressing all the companies involved.

Tight schedule for carve-out, deletion, and go-live

In the wake of a divestment initiative, it can be a challenge to separate and remove data about the subsidiary to be acquired from its parent company’s SAP systems. This was why Construction Forms Inc. engaged NTT Data Business Solutions (NDBS), which in turn approached Nativion for assistance with the carve-out, deletion, and cutover portion of the project. The goal was to enable NDBS to create an operative SAP system landscape that only comprised Tricon data. Nativion was also tasked with ensuring that no data from non-Tricon company codes found its way into the new system. A further element in the challenge was that the deletion needed to be completed within 13.5 hours and the go-live in less than a weekend. Construction Forms required that the new system would be ready for use on the following Monday morning with no impact on business continuity. Madison, Tricon, and Construction Forms all needed to adhere to the stipulations of the transition services agreement (TSA) related to the acquisition.

Rigorous and detailed prep work

Nativion started by working closely with the companies concerned to ensure that the project would run smoothly. Nativion specialists spent the first month planning the project down to the last detail and carrying out the setup activities, followed by running mocks the next two months. The goal of these preparations was to provide a highly detailed data deletion logic and get it approved by all parties.

Hard Facts

Company

Construction Forms Inc.

Headquarters

Lincolnshire, Illinois, USA

Industry

machinery manufacturing

Products & Services

concrete boom truck systems, laydown/high-rise systems, couplings/hoses/cleanout accessories, quenched and tempered through-hardened plate, custom fabrications, overlay plate, induction-hardened pipe, high-pressure slurry valves, couplings and accessories

Revenue

USD 150+ million

Employees

350+

Website

www.cficompany.com

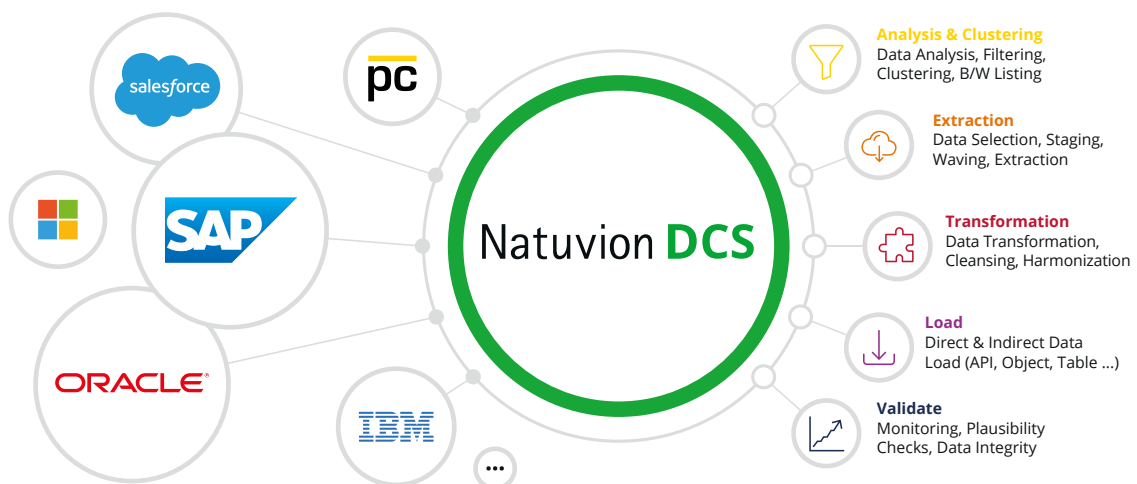
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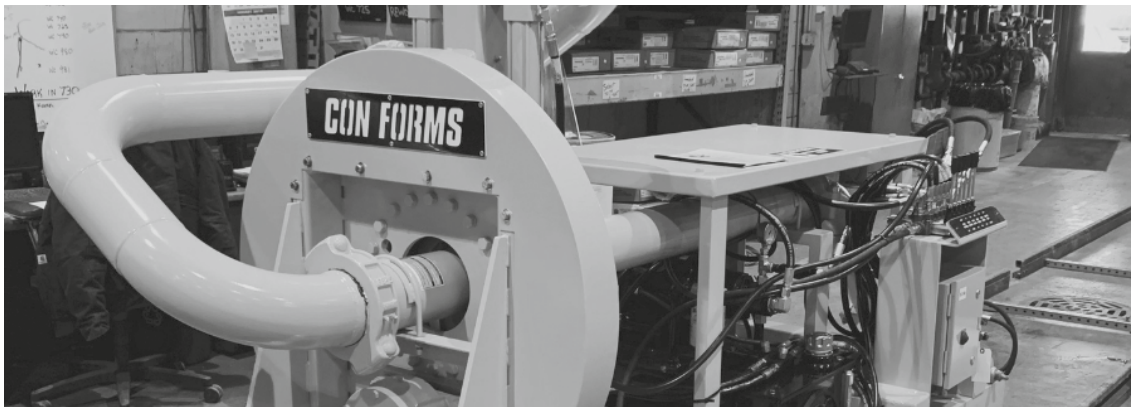
company code carve-out

Nativion DCS ensures rapid analysis and precise deletion

The source system at Madison Industries was ECC 6.0 Suite-on-HANA along with the FI/CO, MM, SD, PP, and WM modules. NDBS created an ECC 6.0 Suite-on-HANA sandbox as a copy of the production system and the Nativion specialists deleted Madison’s non-Tricon-related data from this sandbox system. This was done using the Nativion Data Conversion Server (DCS) and resulted in a system containing exclusively Tricon information. Nativion DCS is Nativion’s flagship product that it uses in all its data and system transformation projects worldwide. It was designed from the outset to handle large data volumes and is highly automated, dramatically accelerating most transformation tasks. Specialists from Madison, Tricon and NDBS then checked the resulting system thoroughly to eliminate any risk of over- or under-deletion. Jackie Easterling, NDBS Project Manager, notes: “The accuracy of the data rules and deletion was phenomenal. We were really impressed!” This sentiment was echoed by Kevin Griffin, Financial Planning and Analysis Manager at Tricon Wear Solutions. In a message to the Nativion/NDBS team, he said: “Really appreciate everybody’s support and work over these last four or five months. Great work.” There were two mock data deletion phases to iron out any glitches, as well as a dress rehearsal followed by the final go-live. Madison’s Mark Button adds: “The Nativion/NDBS team’s expertise and dedication have ensured a smooth transition for Tricon. The Mock o phase was already 99 % accurate on data transfer.” Interestingly, Nativion DCS also enabled Madison to detect some “orphaned” data left behind in its systems following some of its previous divestment projects.

Nativion DCS: one tool, many possibilities





Speedy, accurate deletion and cutover

Nativion completed the data deletion activities within 13.5 hours – much faster than the usual time allotted for this type of project. Nativion processed 113,620 tables and deleted 538,520,967 records. The go-live was set for a weekend, with the cutover to be finalized by 18h45 on Saturday. The overall project efficiency and excellent collaboration with Madison, Tricon, and Construction Forms, along with NDBS, enabled Nativion to complete the cutover and hand over the finished project much earlier than planned, at 11h00 on Saturday. Brandon Evans, NDBS VP of Customer Transformation, comments: “This has been one of the most seamless and quiet cutovers and go-lives that I’ve been a part of in quite a few years. Kudos to the Nativion team.” The resulting system was used by NDBS to create Construction Forms’ development, quality, and production systems.

Close collaboration between all parties

To sum up, Joanne Lang, CEO, and co-founder of Nativion’s US operation, believes that great collaboration was very important. “A key success factor for the project was the excellent communication with, and sponsorship from, Tricon Wear Solutions, Construction Forms, and Madison. Kevin Griffin from Tricon Wear Solutions in particular provided unfailing, hands-on support and participation in the project.”

**Do you also need to carve-out data?
Contact us!**

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About Construction Forms



Construction Forms, Inc. (CFI), founded in 1969, began as a concrete-focused business – eventually becoming a leader in North America and Europe for abrasion-resistant solutions in concrete, mining, dredging and other industrial applications. Through M&A, CFI now manages a portfolio of respected brands: Con Forms, Ultra Tech, Esser Twin Pipes and Tricon Wear Solutions. CFI has seven manufacturing sites: Port Washington, Wisconsin; Dallas, Texas; Birmingham, Alabama; Elko, Nevada; Chicago, Illinois; Warstein, Germany and a new JV in India. CFI is constantly testing and developing new chemistries, processes and improvements to bring their customers the highest quality wear-resistant products and accessories in the market.

About NTT DATA Business Solutions



NTT DATA Business Solutions drives innovation: from advisory and implementation, to managed services and beyond, continuously enhances SAP solutions to make them work for companies – and for their people. Aiming to help companies to transform, grow and become more successful, NTT DATA Business Solutions connects with a more than in-depth expertise for SAP solutions its clients’ business opportunities with the latest technologies – individually and across all business areas. As part of the NTT DATA group and as a global strategic partner of SAP, with close ties to other partners, NTT DATA Business Solutions gives clients and prospects access to innovative solutions and developments and thus makes an important contribution to innovation and long-term business success. NTT DATA Business Solutions employs more than 13,500 people in more than 30 countries.

About Nativion



Nativion is a digital moving company. It does not transport tables, filing cabinets or chairs. Nativion moves business-critical data and processes from one technological platform to another both smoothly and cost-efficiently. This enables Nativion customers to always use data and processes on the most modern and innovative platforms. Typical Nativion „relocation services“ include data migration, data transformation, data quality, data integration, data privacy, data security and data governance. Nativion’s experts are supported in the transformation of data by Nativion DCS, a powerful software solution developed in-house. Nativion is a founding member of the SAP S/4HANA Selective Data Transition Engagement Community and has been part of NTT DATA Business Solutions AG, a leading global SAP consultancy, since 2022. Featuring in the Inc. 5000 and FT 1000 lists, the Nativion Group is one of the fastest growing software and IT consulting companies in Europe.



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