

# Bid\$ense®

# Bid\$ense: Strategic transportation procurement solutions to optimize business needs

### STREAMLINED TRANSPORTATION SOURCING

Transportation procurement is an integral part of the modern supply chain, and success requires a strategic implementation plan. Shippers and 3PLs focused on optimizing the RFP process turn to Bid\$ense, a cloud-based solution for transportation sourcing, bidding and pricing negotiation for both LTL and truckload transportation.

Bid\$ense helps customers automate transportation purchasing within their overall procurement process, a crucial step when looking for a competitive edge in the fast-paced supply chain arena. Manually handling strategic sourcing events not only costs significant time and money, but it can lead to aggravation when choosing from a small pool of potential carriers.

# WITH BID\$ENSE, SHIPPERS AND 3PLS CAN:

- Streamline and automate the entire RFP process with seamless integration to existing systems
- Lock in sourcing pricing quickly in today's ever-shifting, volatile transportation market
- Evaluate carriers based on performance metrics, rather than just price alone
- Optimize RFP data sent to carrier partners with SMC3's data-cleansing tools
- Save time managing accessorials with the built in accessorial exceptions screen



"We use Bid\$ense to look at keeping all the carriers, using only incumbents, or removing carriers, and to efficiently weigh our potential savings versus our risk."

— Carey Skoglund, National Logistics Manager, Ace Hardware



### **BID\$ENSE OPTIMIZES TRANSPORTATION BIDDING**

Using Bid\$ense to automate bidding widens the scope of each sourcing event. By adding more carriers, shippers increase competition, which can lead to a more aggressive RFP process. Bid\$ense standardizes each carrier response, allowing for easy "what-if" scenarios and sophisticated analysis.

Through Bid\$ense, users can build lasting business relationships with these carriers, leading to sustained transportation savings that eliminates inefficiencies and saves valuable resource time. Users can benefit from an average transportation-spend savings of 15 percent.



Automate the onerous RFP process to streamline transportation spend



Evaluate carriers on performance metrics, rather than price alone



Save an average of \$150,000 per \$1 million in freight spend



Build relationships with carriers tailored to specific business

# WHY SMC<sup>3</sup>?

Bid\$ense leverages SMC³'s lifetime of transportation purchasing knowledge, allowing customers to incorporate pricing, claims ratios, on-time performance and transit times into their bidding analysis. With its range of solutions that integrate seamlessly into current business systems, SMC³ supports customers as they grow, whether they're dealing with 10 or 10,000 freight movements per day. Shippers and 3PLs use SMC³'s peerless rating solutions to optimize their transportation spend, saving time and money on their supply chain requirements throughout North America.

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