



Making Progress with ePayables

Best Practices for Performance
Improvement and Supplier
Participation

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- ❑ Review of the Latest A/P Research
- ❑ Performance Benchmarks: Beyond the Best-in-Class
- ❑ Recommendations for Performance Improvement
- ❑ Understanding the Supplier's Perspective
- ❑ Strategies for Supplier Enablement

Latest Research

- ❑ Aberdeen's PACE Methodology
 - ❑ Pressures
 - ❑ Actions
 - ❑ Capabilities
 - ❑ Enablers

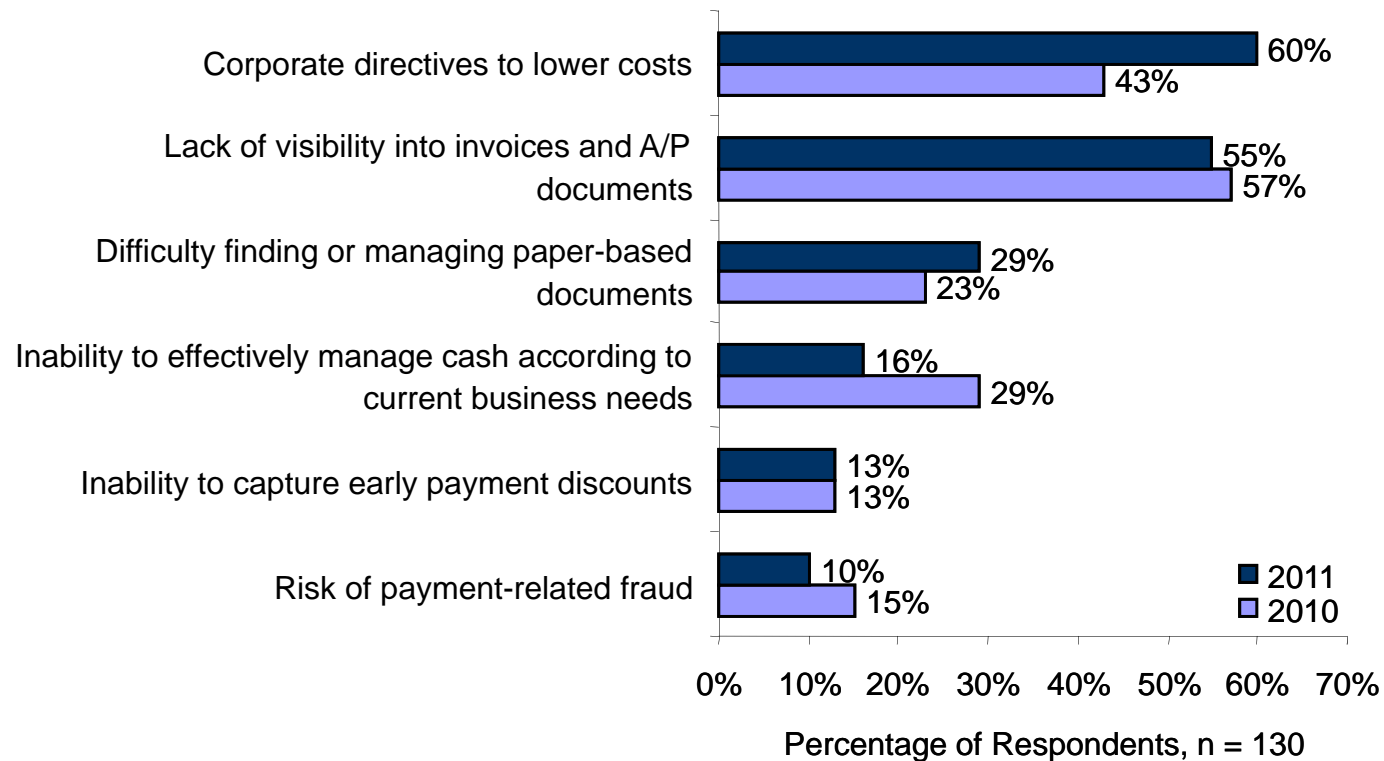
- ❑ Defining Best-in-Class Performance

- ❑ A Focus on Defining Capabilities

- ❑ Technology Adoption by the Best-in-Class

Pressures

Pressures Driving a Focus on A/P Improvement



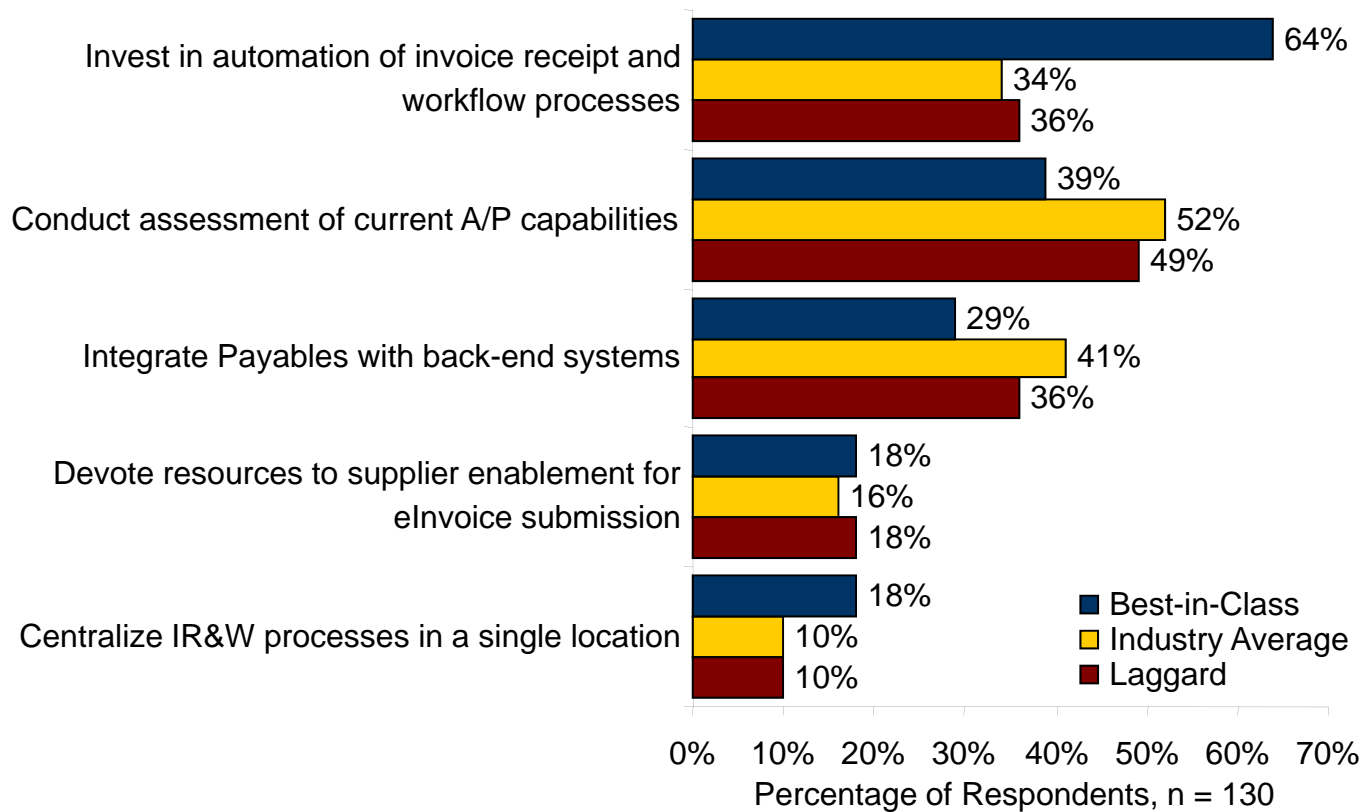
Context: The Maturity Class Framework

Defining Best-in-Class Performance

Definition of Maturity Class	Mean Class Performance
<p>Best-in-Class: Top 20% of aggregate performance scorers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ 3.8 days to process a single invoice ❑ \$3.09 average cost to process a single invoice ❑ 4.1% year-over-year increase in early payment discount capture
<p>Industry Average: Middle 50% of aggregate performance scorers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ 9.7 days to process a single invoice ❑ \$15.61 average cost to process a single invoice ❑ 1.3% year-over-year increase in early payment discount capture
<p>Laggard: Bottom 30% of aggregate performance scorers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ 20.8 days to process a single invoice ❑ \$38.77 average cost to process a single invoice ❑ 0.5% year-over-year increase in early payment discount capture

Actions

Top Strategies to Combat Business Pressures



Capabilities

Competitive Framework – Part One

	Best-in-Class	Industry Average	Laggards
Process	Centralized IR&W processes in a single location		
	67%	46%	28%
	Standardized IR&W processes across locations/units		
	59%	38%	28%
Organization	Executive sponsor or champion for A/P improvement initiatives		
	63%	41%	27%
	Dedicated resource for handling outsourcing relationships		
	30%	19%	10%
Knowledge	Invoices archived in a central, searchable location		
	78%	56%	32%
	Training resources available for staff-members		
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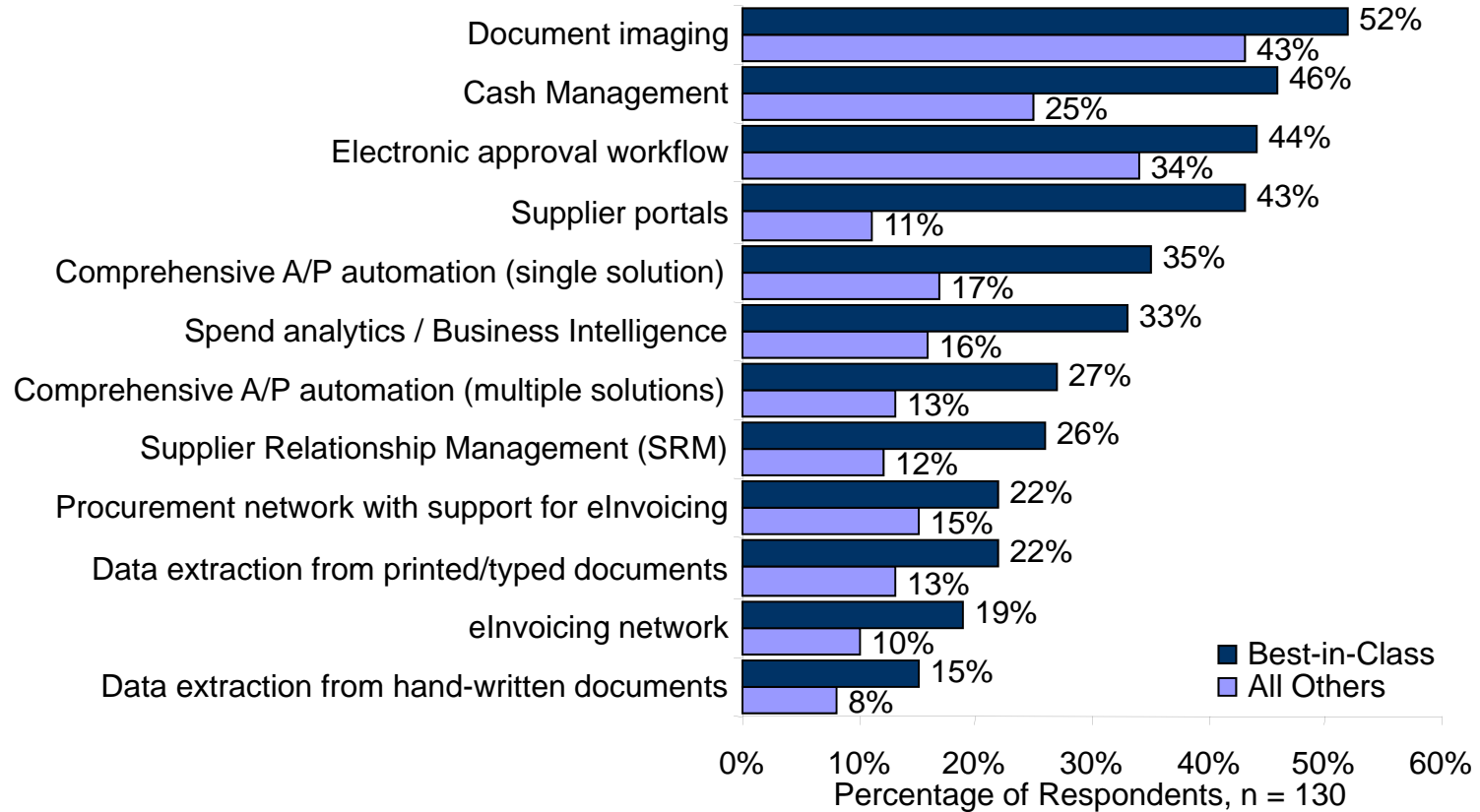
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Competitive Framework – Part Two

	Best-in-Class	Industry Average	Laggards
Technology	Automated matching of invoices to purchase orders		
	57%	37%	29%
	Ability to compare invoices to contracts for:		
	<input type="checkbox"/> 57% - Payment terms <input type="checkbox"/> 56% - Prices	<input type="checkbox"/> 34% - Payment terms <input type="checkbox"/> 34% - Prices	<input type="checkbox"/> 17% - Payment terms <input type="checkbox"/> 23% - Prices
Performance	Dashboards summarizing current A/P status and performance		
	41%	15%	10%

Enabling Technologies

Technology Choices of the Best-in-Class



Additional Performance Benchmarks

Beyond the Best-in-Class Definition

Metric	Best-in-Class	Industry Average	Laggard
Electronic Invoices (% of total)	35.8%	23.8%	10.9%
Early payment discount capture rate	31%	24%	15%
Error Rate (incoming invoices with inaccuracies)	6%	11%	12%
Exception Rate (invoices flagged for management review)	12%	17%	30%

Prioritization of Competing Choices

Benefits and Ease of Improvement

Attribute	Potential Benefit (5 – Most Beneficial)	Ease of Improvement (5 – Easiest to Improve)
Collaboration between A/P and Procurement	4.35	3.02
Integration of A/P with ERP/financial systems	4.35	3.08
Automation of invoice matching / identification of errors	4.31	2.74
Clear policies describing A/P policies and approval workflows	4.30	3.15
Migration away from checks to electronic payments	4.18	3.23
Automation of the approval process	4.16	2.84
Supplier adoption of eInvoicing	4.13	2.31
Imaging / digitization of paper invoices	4.03	3.02
Automation of GL coding	3.98	2.60
Extracting data from images (e.g., OCR / ICR)	3.95	2.50

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Understanding the Supplier's Perspective

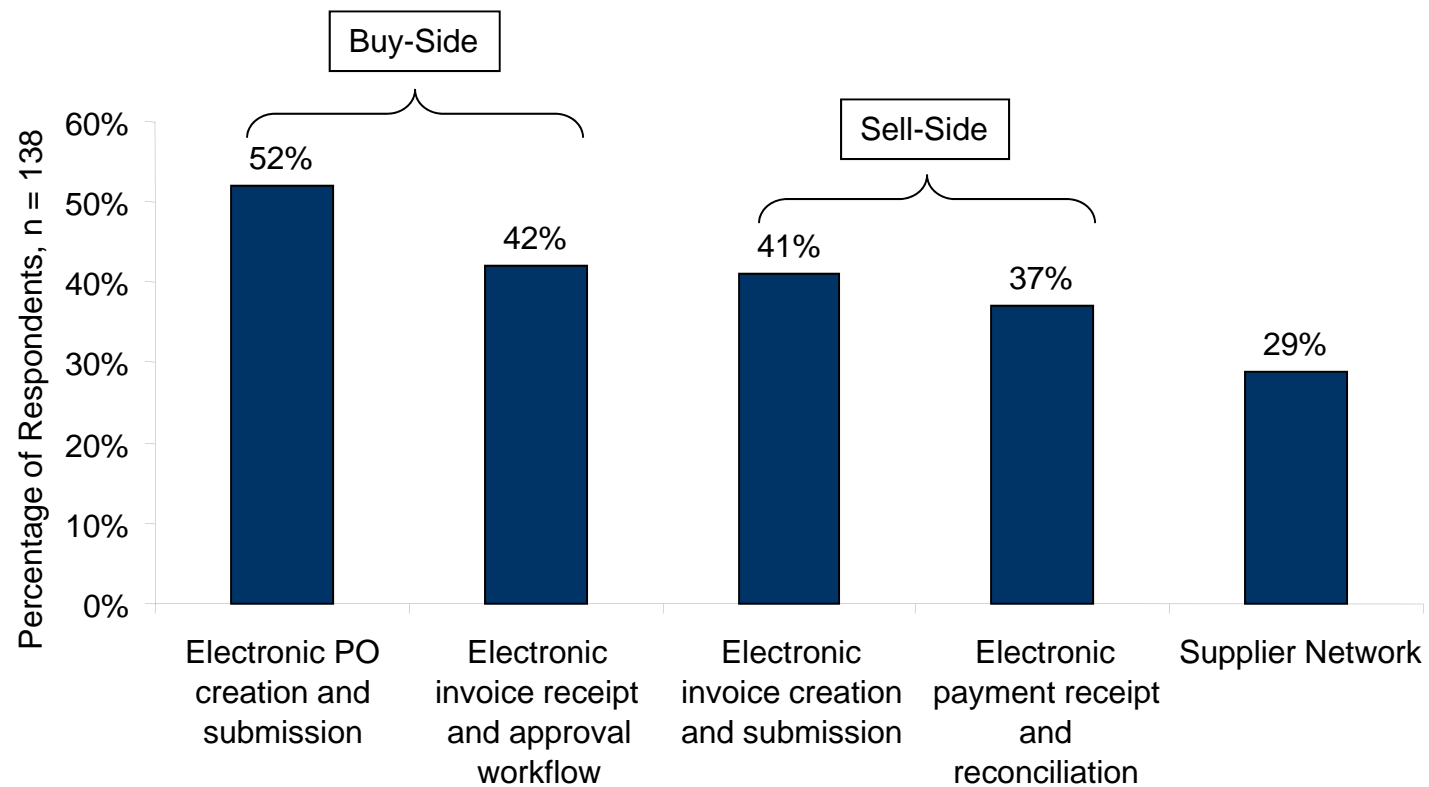
- ❑ Top Pressures
 - ❑ Demand volatility's impact on available cash
 - ❑ Risk of trading partner default

- ❑ Strategic Responses
 - ❑ Alter payment terms with trading partners
 - ❑ Seek out additional sources of financing

Respondents from the sell-side were *less than half as likely* to cite expanding the use of early discount programs as a planned strategy (16% vs. 39%)

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Technology Profiles



Strategies for Supplier Enablement

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Wrap-Up

- ❑ ePayables is focused on improving the efficiency of, and visibility into, the accounts payable function
- ❑ Electronic invoices can be processed more quickly and for far less cost – but supplier cooperation can dictate success
- ❑ A wide variety of technologies is available, depending on your current solution footprint and A/P maturity
- ❑ Performance improvement *is* achievable – even the Best-in-Class have room to grow.

About ADP

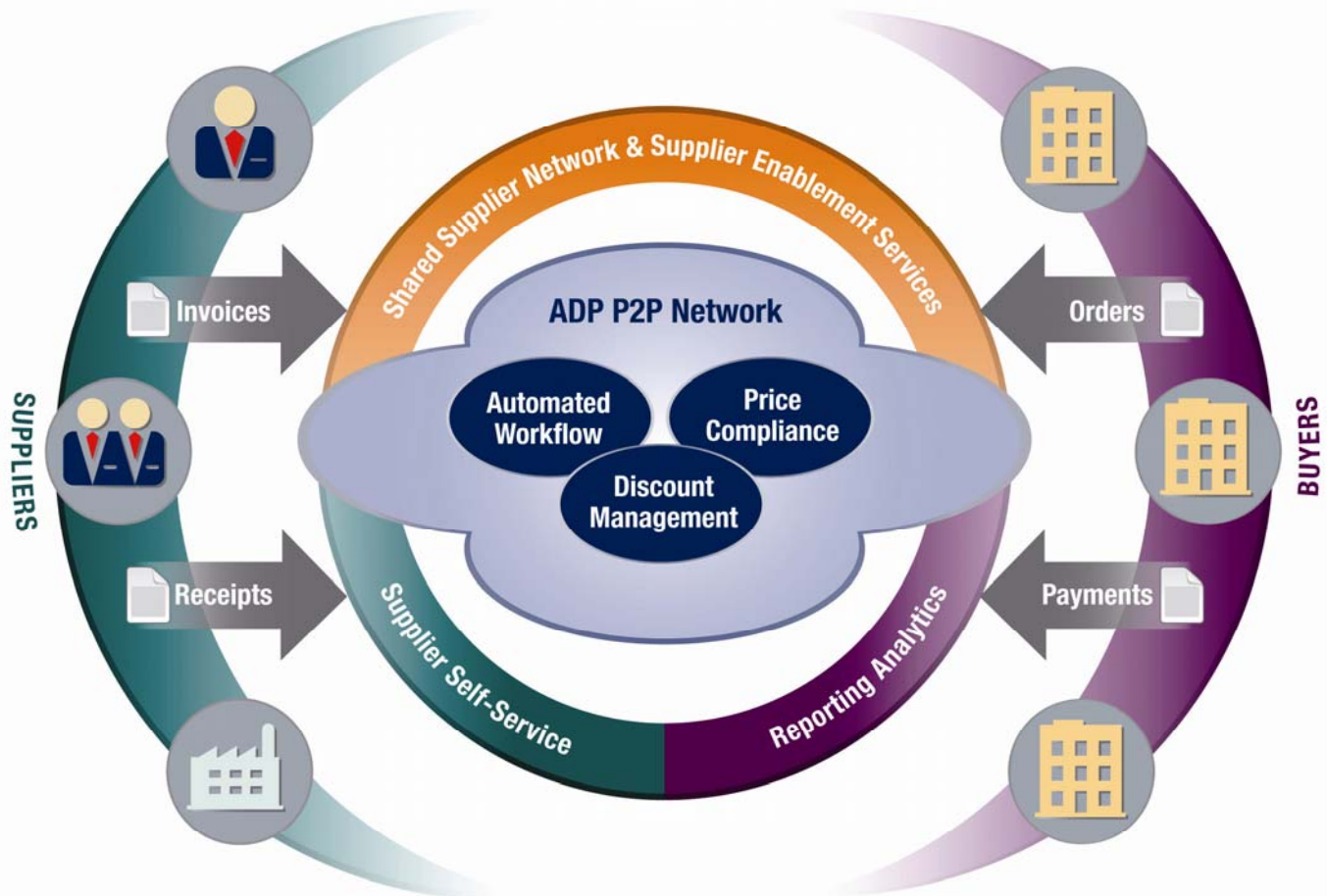
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 - Global leader in business outsourcing solutions
 - Over 570,000 clients worldwide
 - \$1.3 Trillion in client funds moved
 - World Class, secure payment environment
 - Leading the industry in compliance accuracy
 - 1 of 4 AAA rated U.S. Industrial Companies
- **ADP Procure-to-Pay Solutions**
 - End-to-end integrated solution for invoices and payments
 - Modular solution allowing clients to pick and choose functionality
 - Solution offerings allow clients to start small and scale up
 - Price compliance and electronic receipt capabilities increase control
 - Continuous enhancement based on client usability and feedback
 - 100% success rate in implementations

**Offering tight controls, financial stability and AAA credit rating
as the foundation for establishing long-term partnerships**



Overview of P2P Solution

End-to-end solution covering automation from POs and invoices to receipts and payments



Supplier Enablement

- **Diverse supplier network able to support all your suppliers**
 - Thousands of suppliers on the network include large multi-national organizations to regional “mom and pop” establishments
 - Hundreds of new suppliers added every month; 50,000+ active users on the network
 - Also supports thousands of suppliers where ADP manages master data for paper invoice processing
 - Network processes 7 million transactions and \$45 billion spend annually
 - 95% network utilization, one of the highest in the market
- **Proven, methodical process to get your suppliers enrolled on the network**
 - Supplier segmentation analysis based on invoice volume, spend value and other parameters to identify potential candidates for e-invoicing
 - We work closely with our clients to ensure we are driving the right suppliers and right level of activity to the network
 - Intuitive and straightforward supplier on-boarding and registration process
 - Committed ADP team works with your suppliers and manages on-boarding, registration and connectivity



ADP P2P Case Study

Overview

Client Background

- Client company and its subsidiaries explore, acquire, develop, produce and market natural gas and crude oil
- Multi-billion dollar company, with operations in in North America and selected international locations, with field offices throughout operated areas
- Inundated with 10,000 – 20,000 invoices a month

Challenges

Challenges with Manual Processes

- Current e-invoicing provider only converted 17% of incoming invoices to electronic after more than 2 1/2 years
- AP department was overwhelmed with too much paper and frequently lost invoices
- Often paying invoices late, missing early-pay discounts, failing to reconcile overages
- High volume of calls from vendors inquiring into invoice status and seeking payments

Solution

Implementing ADP P2P

- One month evaluation period with ADP demoing software with client data
- Three month implementation – define workflow logic, develop policies & procedures and determine key integration and interfaces
- ADP worked closely with client to formulate supplier enablement strategy and change management/communication plan



Client Results

No More Paper

Successful Migration from Paper to Electronic

- 99% of client invoices are processed in ADP P2P
- 60 percent of invoices are electronically submitted by 480+ vendors
- 20% of suppliers, accounting for 60% of invoices volume have been on boarded
- Lost invoices have been eliminated; duplicates significantly reduced

WOW Factor

Reduced Costs & Processing Cycles

- Average time to process an invoice reduced from 60 days to 10 – 83% improvement
- Number of vendor calls per day reduced from 40 to 10 – 75% reduction
- Incremental discounts captured more than pay for annual license fees

Lessons

Lessons Learned from Implementing ADP P2P

- Supplier enablement strategy is critical for automation project success
- Underestimated the impact and bottlenecks arriving from in-house scanning
- Change management is an important component of any technology implementation



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