

## Where supply chain solutions come together

**SUSTAINABILITY** 

**TRANSPORTATION** 

LAST MILE

**MANUFACTURING** 

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**DATA CAPTURE** 

**EMERGING TECHNOLOGY** 

ROBOTICS

# Sustainability in Action: Transforming Order Fulfillment for a Greener Future

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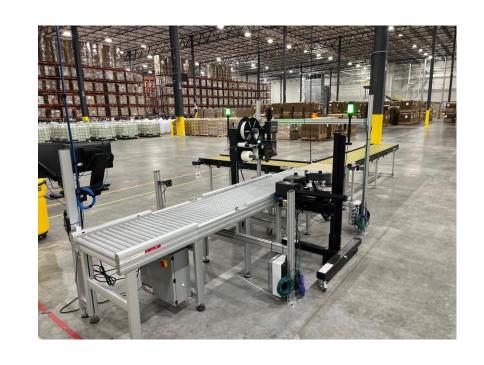


## **SLAM Industry Group Overview**

SLAM (Scan-Label-Apply-Manifest)

Mission: To be the authoritative resource for transforming today's end of line fulfillment operations to address tomorrow's challenges.

Vision: To provide thought leadership for best practices within "the last 100 feet" of evolving warehouse and distribution operations.





## **SLAM Member Booths**







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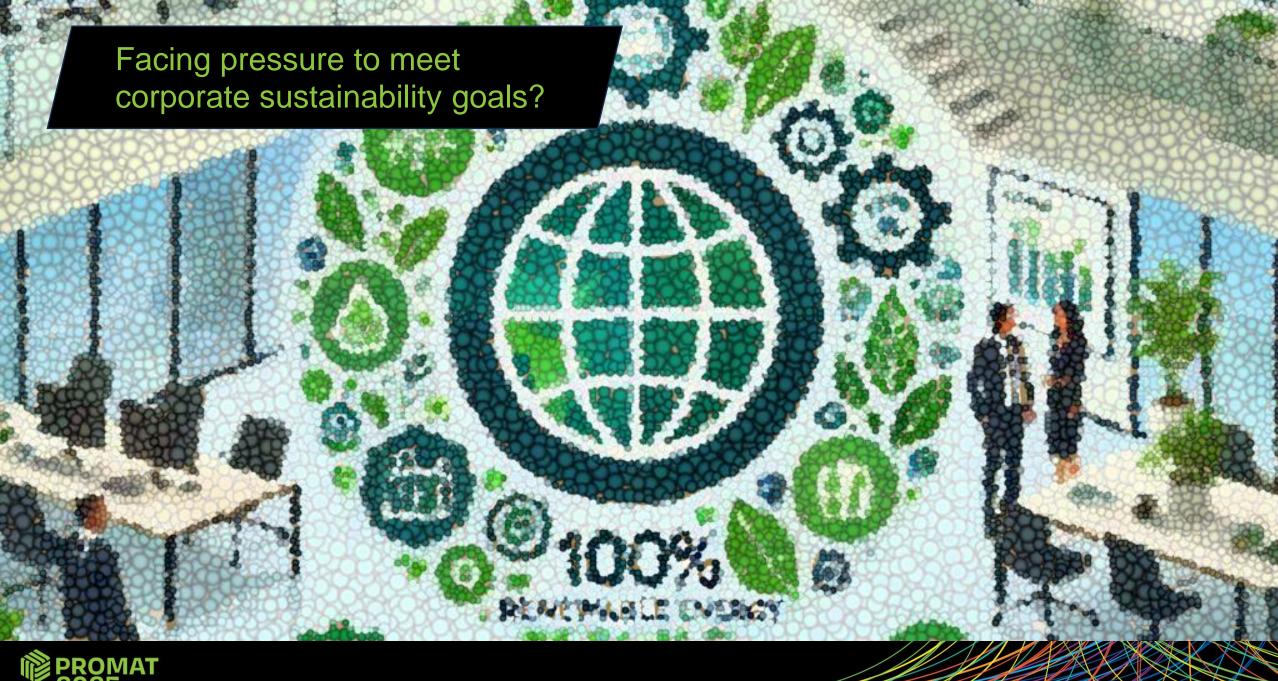


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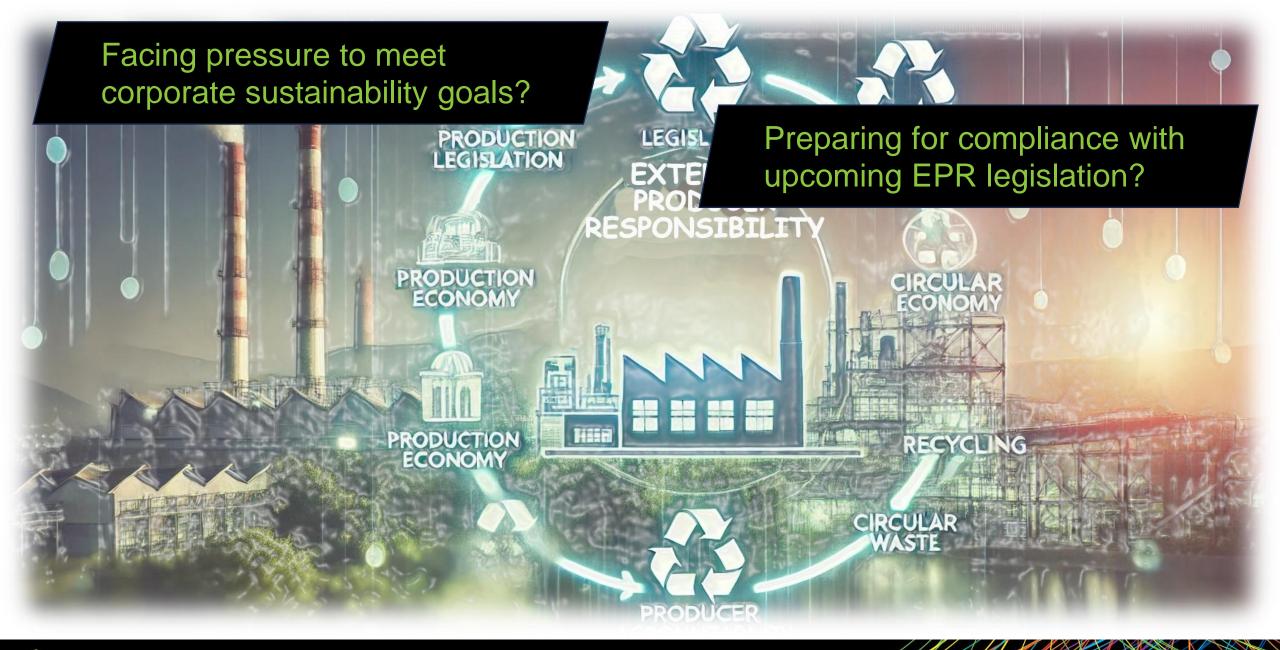
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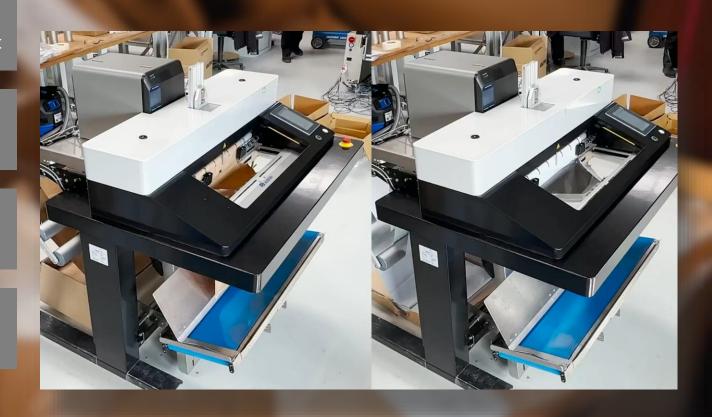
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### **Enhance Your Brand**

Use paper mailers as a branding opportunity







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## Sustainability in Action | Eliminating Plastic



#### **The Objective**

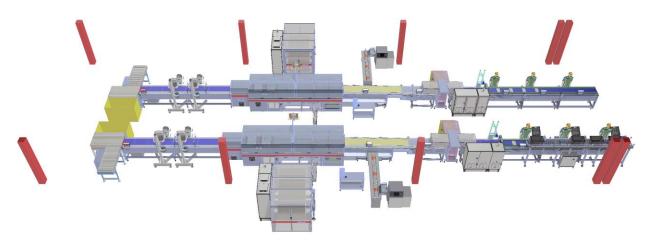
- Goal to switch all outbound poly bags to paper
- Automate packaging process for single unit orders

#### **Design Criteria**

- Throughput: 6 million single unit orders per year
- Product: Apparel & Shoe Boxes
- L.L.Bean branded packaging

#### The Solution

- 2 Autopack Machines
  - Fulfillment speed of 1,650 UPH per machine
- Print on Demand Feature









## Eliminating Plastics | Customer Value Story

## L.L.Bean

Phasing Out All Single Use Plastic from Outbound Packaging

#### **ROI of 8 months**



- Ongoing ROI
- · Not including expected overall fee reduction for EPR regulations compared to poly



#### **Operational Efficiency**

- Increased throughput to 3,300 packages per hour (with 2 machines)
- Reduced labor costs compared to manual processes



#### **Sustainability**

- 100% curbside recyclable paper
- Right-size technology minimizes material consumption
- Elimination of 300,000 pounds of single use plastics from May Dec 2024



#### **Cost Reduction**

- Material savings & lower shipping costs
- Shorter materials to DC path



#### Scalability & Flexibility

- Scalable and space efficient solutions
- Extended building life







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## Sustainability Drivers & ESG Commitment







#### **UN Regulations**

- Over 60% fill-rate in packages
- By 2030, all packages (with minor exceptions) will have to be recyclable

#### **US Regulations**

- Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) legislation
- Tax incentives in certain localities

#### **Customer Driven**

• In DHL's Global Shopper Survey 2023, 72% of consumers said they would be prepared to pay extra for sustainable packaging (44% "sometimes"; 28% "always")

#### **Competition Driven**

Rapid e-commerce growth is redefining the average customer experience





## The benefits of automated right sized packages

#### **Reduced Shipping Costs**



#### **Environmental Sustainability**



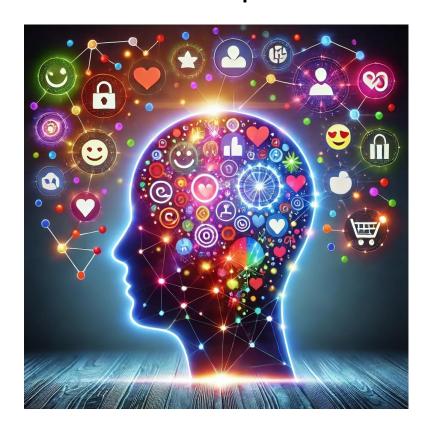


## The benefits of automated right sized packages

#### **Improved Product Protection**



#### **Brand Perception**





## Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)





## Panel Discussion



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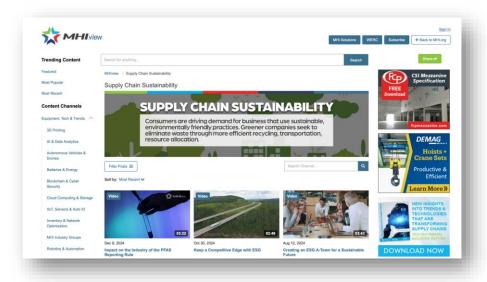




## Sustainability Resources





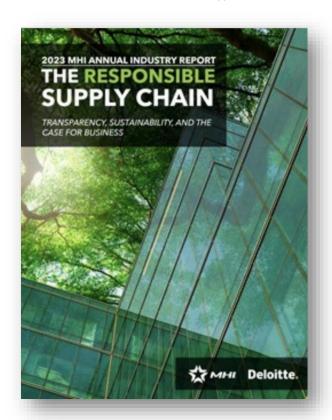


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- Case Studies
- SLAM Member Listing











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