

Chapter 11

Global Supply Chain Procurement and Distribution

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Lecture Outline

- Procurement
- ◆ E-Procurement
- Distribution
- Transportation
- The Global Supply Chain

Procurement

- The purchase of goods and services from suppliers
- Cross enterprise teams
 - coordinate processes between a company and its supplier
- On-demand (direct-response) delivery
 - requires the supplier to deliver goods when demanded by the customer
- Continuous replenishment
 - supplying orders in a short period of time according to a predetermined schedule

Outsourcing

- Sourcing
 - selection of suppliers
- Outsourcing
 - purchase of goods and services from an outside supplier
- Core competencies
 - what a company does best
- Single sourcing
 - a company purchases goods and services from only a few (or one) suppliers

Categories of Goods and Services...



E-Procurement

- Direct purchase from suppliers over the Internet, by using software packages or through e-marketplaces, e-hubs, and trading exchanges
- Can streamline and speed up the purchase order and transaction process

E-Procurement (cont.)

- What can companies buy over the Internet?
 - Manufacturing inputs
 - the raw materials and components that go directly into the production process of the product
 - Operating inputs
 - maintenance, repair, and operation goods and services

E-Procurement (cont.)

- ◆ E-marketplaces (e-hubs)
 - Websites where companies and suppliers conduct business—to—business activities
- Reverse auction
 - process used by e-marketplaces for buyers to purchase items; company posts orders on the internet for suppliers to bid on

Distribution

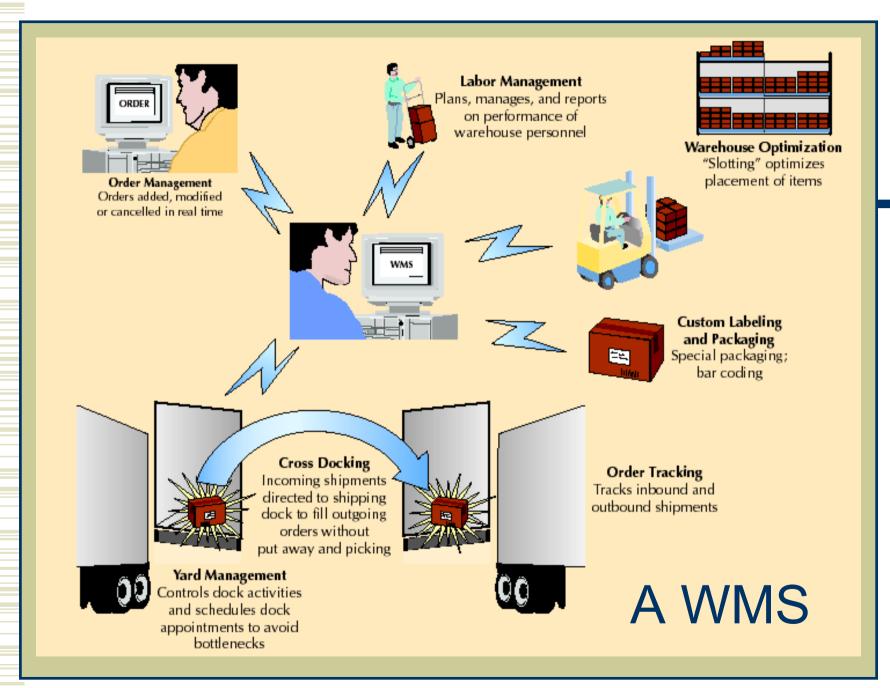
- Encompasses all channels, processes, and functions, including warehousing and transportation, that a product passes on its way to final customer
- Order fulfillment
 - process of ensuring on-time delivery of an order
- Logistics
 - transportation and distribution of goods and services
- Driving force today is speed
- Particularly important for Internet dot-coms

Distribution Centers (DC) and Warehousing

- DCs are some of the largest business facilities in the United States
- Trend is for more frequent orders in smaller quantities
- Flow-through facilities and automated material handling
- Postponement
 - final assembly and product configuration may be done at the DC

Warehouse Management Systems

- Highly automated system that runs day-to-day operations of a DC
- Controls item putaway, picking, packing, and shipping
- Features
 - transportation management
 - order management
 - yard management
 - labor management
 - warehouse optimization



Vendor-Managed Inventory

- Manufacturers generate orders, not distributors or retailers
- Stocking information is accessed using EDI
- A first step towards supply chain collaboration
- Increased speed, reduced errors, and improved service

Collaborative Logistics and Distribution Outsourcing

- Collaborative planning, forecasting, and replenishment create greater economies of scale
- Internet-based exchange of data and information
- Significant decrease in inventory levels and costs and more efficient logistics
- Companies focus on core competencies

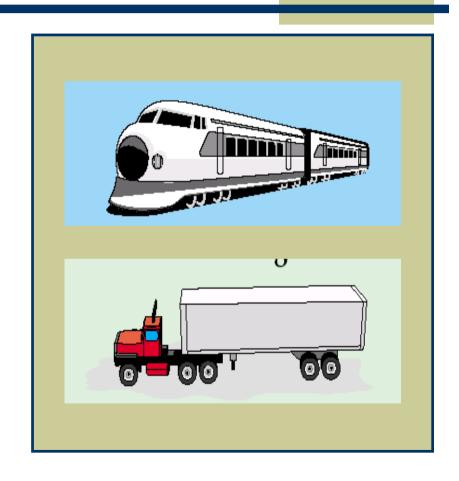
Transportation

Rail

- low-value, high-density, bulk products, raw materials, intermodal containers
- not as economical for small loads, slower, less flexible than trucking

Trucking

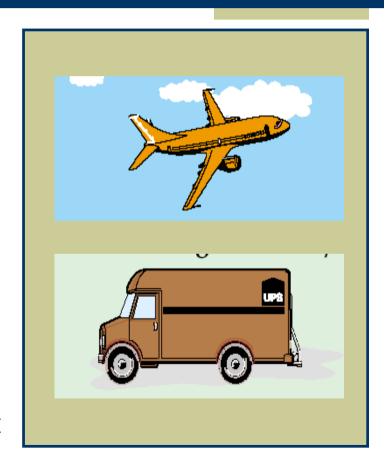
- main mode of freight transport in U.S.
- small loads, point-to-point service, flexible
- More reliable, less damage than rails; more expensive than rails for long distance



Transportation (cont.)

Air

- most expensive and fastest, mode of freight transport
- lightweight, small packages <500 lbs</p>
- high-value, perishable and critical goods
- less theft
- ◆Package Delivery
 - small packages
 - fast and reliable
 - increased with e-Business
 - primary shipping mode for Internet companies



Transportation (cont.)

Water

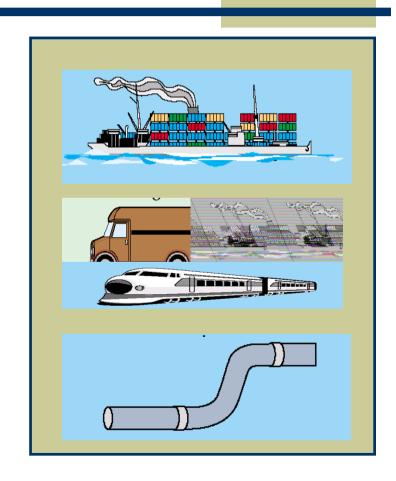
- low-cost shipping mode
- primary means of international shipping
- U.S. waterways
- slowest shipping mode

◆Intermodal

- combines several modes of shipping-truck, water and rail
- key component is containers

◆Pipeline

- transport oil and products in liquid form
- high capital cost, economical use
- long life and low operating cost Copyright 2009 John Wiley & Sons, Inc.



Internet Transportation Exchanges

- Bring together shippers and carriers
- Initial contact, negotiations, auctions
- Examples
 - www.nte.com
 - www.freightquote.com

Global Supply Chain

- International trade barriers have fallen
- New trade agreements
- To compete globally requires an effective supply chain
- Information technology is an "enabler" of global trade

Obstacles to Global Chain Transactions

- Increased documentation for invoices, cargo insurance, letters of credit, ocean bills of lading or air waybills, and inspections
- Ever changing regulations that vary from country to country that govern the import and export of goods
- Trade groups, tariffs, duties, and landing costs
- Limited shipping modes
- Differences in communication technology and availability

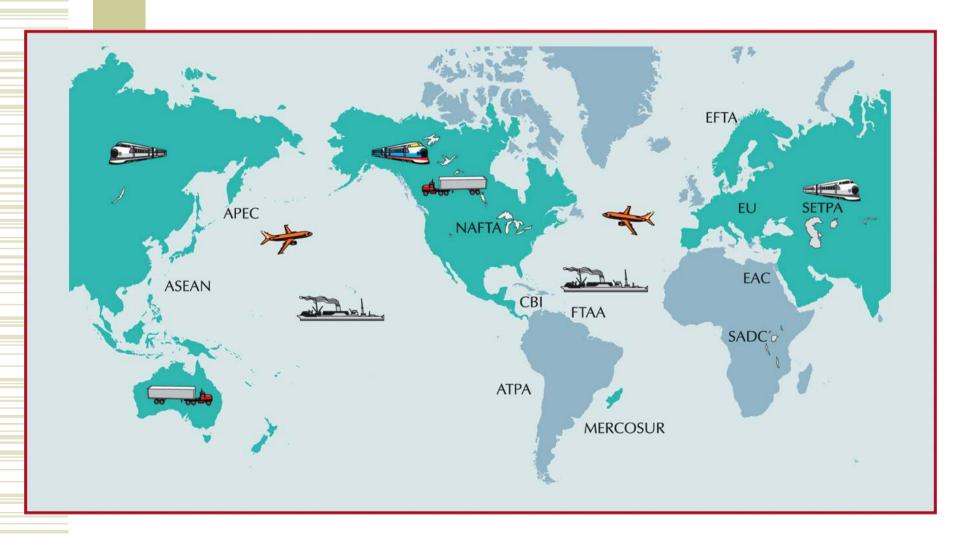
Obstacles to Global Chain Transactions (cont.)

- Different business practices as well as language barriers
- Government codes and reporting requirements that vary from country to country
- Numerous players, including forwarding agents, custom house brokers, financial institutions, insurance providers, multiple transportation carriers, and government agencies
- Since 9/11, numerous security regulations and requirements

Duties and Tariffs

- Proliferation of trade agreements
- Nations form trading groups
 - no tariffs or duties within group
 - charge uniform tariffs to nonmembers
- Member nations have a competitive advantage within the group
- Trade specialists
 - include freight forwarders, customs house brokers, export packers, and export management and trading companies

Duties and Tariffs (cont.)



Landed Cost

- Total cost of producing, storing, and transporting a product to the site of consumption or another port
- Value added tax (VAT)
 - an indirect tax assessed on the increase in value of a good at any stage of production process from raw material to final product
- Clicker shock
 - occurs when an ordered is placed with a company that does not have the capability to calculate landed cost

Web-based International Trade Logistic Systems

- International trade logistics web-based software systems reduce obstacles to global trade
 - convert language and currency
 - provide information on tariffs, duties, and customs processes
 - attach appropriate weights, measurements, and unit prices to individual products ordered over the Web
 - incorporate transportation costs and conversion rates
 - calculate shipping costs online while a company enters an order
 - track global shipments

Recent Trends in Globalization for U.S. Companies

- Two significant changes
 - passage of NAFTA
 - admission of China in WTO
- Mexico
 - cheap labor and relatively short shipping time
- China
 - cheaper labor and longer work week, but lengthy shipping time
 - Major supply chains have moved to China

China's Increasing Role in the Global Supply Chain

- World's premier sources of supply
- Abundance of low-wage labor
- World's fastest growing market
- Regulatory changes have liberalized its market
- Increased exporting of higher technology products

Models in Doing Business in China

- Employ local third-party trading agents
- Wholly-owned foreign enterprise
- Develop your own international procurement offices

Challenges Sourcing from China

- Getting reliable information in more difficult than in the U.S.
- Information technology is much less advanced and sophisticated than in the U.S.
- Work turnover rates among low-skilled workers is extremely high

Effects of 9/11 on Global Chains

- Increase security measures
 - added time to supply chain schedules
 - Increased supply chain costs
- ◆ 24 hours rules for "risk screening"
 - extended documentation
 - extend time by 3-4 days
- Inventory levels have increased 5%
- Other costs include:
 - new people, technologies, equipment, surveillance, communication, and security systems, and training necessary for screening at airports and seaports around the world

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