



Company: **Tenneco** 

Industry:
Auto-Parts Distributor
and Manufacturer

### **About Tenneco**

Tenneco is one of the world's leading designers, manufacturers and marketers of automotive products for original equipment and aftermarket customers, with full year 2021 revenues of \$18 billion and approximately 71,000 team members working at more than 260 sites worldwide. Through our four business groups, DRiV Motorparts, Performance Solutions, Clean Air and Powertrain, Tenneco is driving advancements in global mobility by delivering technology solutions for diversified global markets, including light vehicle, commercial truck, off-highway, industrial, motorsport and the aftermarket. To learn more, visit **Tenneco.com**.

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## The Challenge

Tenneco was using Hyperion Enterprise for financial consolidation and reporting, but the legacy system needed immediate replacing. Hyperion did not provide an efficient data quality management solution and required substantial manual intervention for the collection of both financial and operational data. As a growing auto parts distributor, Tenneco needed a scalable solution that could be deployed globally for financial consolidation and reporting, budgeting and analysis. They needed a system that delivered faster consolidations, easier maintenance and more powerful management reporting.

### Selecting OneStream

Tenneco wanted to give relevant management reporting to the OEM and aftermarket businesses, including operational HR data. "Our main challenge with Hyperion was having limited dimensionality," said Brian Bayne, Director of Financial Systems at Tenneco. "We needed more operational details and better reporting and analysis."

Upgrading Hyperion would be a lengthy and expensive undertaking, so Tenneco decided to look elsewhere, and was immediately interested in OneStream<sup>TM</sup> Software. "We have a lot of different legal entities in our organization. Being able to utilize



## Corporate Performance Management Solutions Delivered

- ∅ Financial Close and Consolidation
- **Solution** Financial Data Quality Management
- Ø People Planning



### **Business Challenges**

- Legacy system lacked the amount of detailed reporting required
- © Challenged by limited dimensionality
- Management did not have visibility into operational details
- Struggled to align HR data with financial planning



#### **Key OneStream Benefits**

- Faster, more detailed management and financial reporting
- Unified platform for analyzing data across departments and locations
- Improved visibility into intercompany data, streamlining eliminations
- Set controls with guided workflows and audit trail functionality
- Reduced the close process by three to four days

a unified CPM system was very appealing for us," said Bayne. "Tenneco has many intercompany eliminations taking place, so we liked the idea of streamlining the process for our management and legal structures."

# OneStream Delivers A Unified CPM Solution

OneStream delivered Tenneco a modern CPM solution that is completely owned by the office of Finance. Tenneco expanded their financial reporting model from four dimensions in Hyperion to 17 dimensions in OneStream for more powerful ad-hoc reporting and analytics. With several reporting locations, Tenneco now has complete visibility of the load processes. "With 800 users, the Guided Workflows allow our team to quickly and easily load and consolidate their data," said Bayne. "They can then do exchange adjusted categories, look at actuals at budget rates versus prior years, and effectively forecast within one platform."

# Improved Control and Audit Trail Functionality

An automated email process using Guided Workflow allows journal entries to be sent immediately to supervisors for review and approval. After approval, another email is sent back to the user, allowing them to post the journal. "This gives our team timely and accurate data to perform the full consolidation, while providing business units immediate visibility of their results," said Bayne.

OneStream has also enabled Tenneco to put a standard process in place for audit reports with improved controls. "The ability to track changes made is very helpful for the year-end audits from a metadata standpoint," Bayne continued. "To see when changes were last made by certain users is a great benefit and great tool. The auditors love it."

### **Detailed Variance Analysis**

After the close, OneStream delivers detailed Variance Analysis reporting. Tenneco uses workflows to explain the differences in actual and budget EBITDA, while OneStream consolidates this information to include the key variance explanations. As Bayne said, "Our variance analysis is where we have different types of industry variances such as volumes and mix, currency translations and transactional exchange differences. We no longer have to collect Excel® spreadsheet details and re-key figures and comments into a master file. Instead, controllers can complete the analysis in a template, submit it into OneStream, and the system automatically does the work."

### **Human Resources Data Collection**

The Finance team was often held up during the close process for last-minute HR adjustments to headcount information. With OneStream, HR now has their own cube and workflow to fill out required operational information. "This is a tremendous improvement as the process is simple and guided for HR," said Bayne. "It no longer stalls the close and Finance can still get the required headcount information as all the data lives in the same application."

### Benefits of OneStream

Beyond shortening their close by three to four days, OneStream has given Tenneco visibility to the entire process. Intercompany reconciliations have dramatically improved with better insight by location and Guided Workflows have empowered users to easily run their own reports and comparisons—month over month, year over year, comparing to budget and to forecast.

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### **Future Plans with OneStream**

"Since we went live, People Planning has been added to support detailed employee-level planning. We can now tie out loaded names to summary detail," Bayne concluded. "Budgeting and forecasting is now within OneStream, and we're looking at Account Reconciliations as a future project. We want to expand our use of OneStream for management reporting, driver-based planning and dashboards."

#### **About OneStream Software**

OneStream Software provides a market-leading intelligent finance platform that reduces the complexity of financial operations. OneStream unleashes the power of finance by unifying corporate performance management (CPM) processes such as planning, financial close & consolidation, reporting and analytics through a single, extensible solution. We empower the enterprise with financial and operational insights to support faster and more informed decision-making. All in a cloud platform designed to continually evolve and scale with your organization.

OneStream's Intelligent Finance platform can easily be extended with over 50 solutions from the OneStream MarketPlace. These downloadable solutions are fully battle-tested and optimized for the OneStream platform. They allow customers to easily extend the value of their investment to meet the changing needs of finance and operations.

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