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## Rewe Informations-Systeme GmbH

### Integrating employee and supply chain portals for improved responsiveness

#### WHY BECOME ON DEMAND:

Rewe, which operates department stores across Germany, used three separate intranets—built using disparate technologies—to communicate with employees, stores and suppliers. As a result, the company's IT budget was stretched, and it could not effectively collaborate and share key information, such as sales and stock data for individual stores, companywide. Rewe sought a way to leverage existing investments to overhaul communication and supply chain processes to create more responsive operations.

#### SOLUTION:

IBM Global Services - Application Management Services helped Rewe integrate its three portals using open-standards-based IBM WebSphere® software. Now Rewe's team and suppliers can share and act upon realtime business information and collaborate more effectively. The infrastructure includes highly scalable IBM eServer™ pSeries® servers running the IBM AIX® operating system. Business-critical data is housed in IBM DB2® Universal Database™ software.

#### BENEFITS:

- Integration improved productivity and efficiency through increased collaboration and timely access to data providing customers with enhanced customer service
- Fewer maintenance tasks and challenges are reduced IT operations costs

