

## ISONAS Creates Complete Access Control Package for New Kentucky-Based Flagship Distribution Center; Creates Seamless Access For Facility

[Premier Packaging](#) has been leading the way in the packaging industry for over 25 years. The company understands the ins and outs of the industry and helps customers nationwide by offering effective packaging solutions. Premier Packaging can act as a manufacturer, distributor, designer, problem-solver and builder, depending on their customers' business model. With a strong history of solving package issues, Premier Packaging continues to offer effective supply chain solutions to high-profile companies with facilities in over 65 locations nationwide.

In the summer of 2018, Premier Packaging was looking to implement an access control system to help secure their brand-new flagship distribution center in Louisville, KY. This was the company's first access control implementation and their new 305,000 square foot facility was the perfect place to start. After the initial project, Premier Packaging had planned to roll out the access control solution at six additional distribution centers. The first step was to work with the right partner that could find the most reliable and scalable access control solution in the market. After working closely with [Orion Networks](#), a premier and trusted IT infrastructure provider on a recent project, Premier Packaging felt comfortable asking for their advice.

### **The Challenge**

With no access control system in place at any of their 15 office locations, Premier Packaging needed to start from scratch and research various access control manufacturers. With a combination of office workers, support staff, truck drivers, and warehouse employees entering and exiting the building daily, a process to control access was a necessity. Premier Packaging was looking to upgrade their security procedures and wanted to segment the building so only specific individuals were allowed entry in certain locations.

A major challenge at the new distribution center was that most of the truck drivers who came into the facility were not company employees. With this in mind, the company wanted to set up a specific area for the truck drivers to check in. With some thefts occurring at other locations from external visitors, Premier Packaging wanted the ability to control access and limit the areas that non-employees could visit. They were also looking for the flexibility to manage the locking and unlocking of doors remotely, rather than having to rely on physical keys. With, on average, 250 people coming in and out of the new facility in Kentucky daily, monitoring and tracking who those people were and if they belonged there was imperative.



*Photo by Joseph Booth Jr.*

## **ISONAS Delivers Complete Access Control Package**

ISONAS™, a leading Colorado-based Pure IP access control manufacturer and part of the Allegion family, was recommended highly by Premier's trusted partner, Orion Networks. As a provider of IT services, Orion primarily focused its efforts on IT projects; however, not in this case. Orion not only handled the access control project; but was brought on to manage the recent video surveillance camera installation at this new facility.

Premier Packaging quickly decided to move forward with the ISONAS access control solution based on Orion's strong recommendation. Orion Networks oversaw the access control project from inception to completion and was brought on board to help make it a huge success. *"After comparing ISONAS to other access control systems out there, we knew that ISONAS was the right flexible access control solution to meet Premier Packaging's security needs,"* states Brock Jamison, Direct of Sales at Orion Networks. The ISONAS access control solution was deployed seamlessly by Premier Packaging's contractor in early 2019.

The initial project consisted of 18 ISONAS RC-04 reader-controllers installed at their new distribution center in Kentucky. The RC-04 reader-controllers from ISONAS, delivers advanced technical functionality with an easy installation process. In addition to the ISONAS hardware, the ISONAS Pure Access™ software was implemented to give the packaging company remote access capabilities. Pure Access, ISONAS's industry-leading software, is a cloud-based access control application that provides users the ability to manage their access control from anywhere at any time, on any device.

By using both the ISONAS hardware and software solution together, Premier Packaging was able to improve security with this state-of-the-art solution. With the ISONAS cloud-based platform, Premier now required all Louisville employees to enter the building using their ID Badges to gain access. If an employee was not in the database and verified, then access would be denied.

Future plans include rolling out the ISONAS access control solution to additional buildings and possibly integrating it with other security systems. Orion Networks will continue to be a trusted advisor and spearhead future security and IT projects. As Premier Packaging continues to expand over the years, the company can rest easy knowing that the ISONAS solution can grow alongside with them seamlessly. A leading packaging company like Premier, deserves a complete access control solution – like ISONAS to be part of their dynamic team.



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