

## Autobag<sup>®</sup> Cuts Packaging Time and Costs for Flight Refueling



Correct identification of even the smallest components is of paramount importance to Flight Refueling Ltd., who supplies parts for critical aerospace applications. Even "O" rings and other seals have to be packed and labeled individually to ensure total accuracy.

Due to the fact that it was a manual procedure, it was labor-intensive and greatly time consuming. The company explored the possibility of reducing packing and labeling costs while maintaining the same critically high standards.

Automated Packaging Systems supplied Flight Refueling with an Autobag "Print-n-Pack" system that comprised of an Excel<sup>™</sup> automatic bagging system, with a PI-4000<sup>™</sup> thermal transfer printer.

The choice was based on APS's knowledge of the high specifications required in the defense industry and the variety of parts and flexibility.

**Colin Smith, Stores and Dispatch Manager said,** "The Autobag system revolutionized the situation. Bagging and labeling costs were cut by a staggering 95%. Man-hours were reduced by 90% giving a saving of over \$64,000 per year in labor alone. The equipment was the right size, user friendly and importantly, APS understood exactly what we required."

Flight Refueling believed it had justified its choice. It estimated conservatively that the equipment paid for itself in less than eight months.