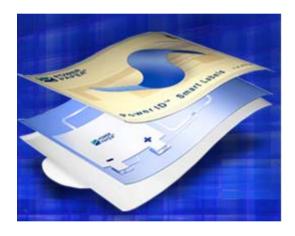


powerful, reliable, asset visibility



Gidy Weisglass
European Sales Director
PowerID Division





#### **About Power Paper**

- Breakthrough micro-power source technology
  - Ink-based, thin and flexible energy cells
- Founded: 1997, headquartered in Israel
- Employees: 100+ and growing
- Funding: \$69 M
- Investors: Amadeus, PolyTechnos, Millennium, Bank of America, Yasuda, Apax, Clal, Toppan Forms & others
- Business Divisions:



Empowering cosmetic and topical delivery





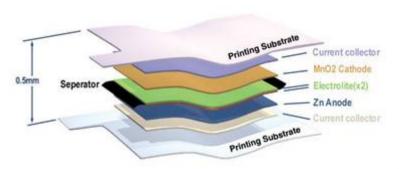




### Power Paper Core Technology



- Ink-based energy cells (batteries) printed onto any surface or integrated into the device
- Highly elastic, thin and flexibility
- Environment-friendly, contains no hazardous materials
- Mass-produced at pennies per micro-power source
- Easy to customize shape and





#### Authorized Battery Manufacturers









- Low-cost production using conventional printing processes
  - Roll-to-roll: High volumeCapacity = ~350 m units per year
  - Plate-sheet: Low volume
     Capacity = ~80 m units per year

Capacity =  $\sim 10$  m units per year

Location: Israel



# Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) Overview

- Active Tag
  - Independent
  - Contains a battery, chip, and antenna
  - Transmits in pre-defined frequency and RF power

- Passive Label
  - Dependent
  - Contains a chip and antenna
  - Backscatters in reader's frequency

- Battery-Assisted, Passive Labels
  - Dependent
  - Thin battery, chip, and antenna
  - Backscatters in reader's frequency





### PowerID™ Battery-Assisted Label

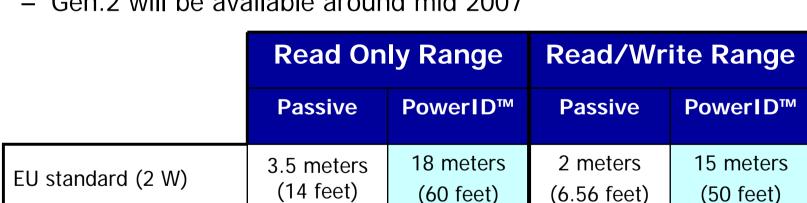
#### Components:

- UHF EM Marin chip
- Printable antenna

USA Standard (4 W)

- Printable, disposable power source
- Gen.2 will be available around mid 2007

4 meters



18+ meters

(60 feet)

2.5 meter



15+ meters

(50 feet)



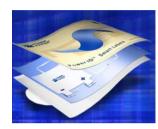
## PowerID: Battery-Assisted, Passive RFID Technology

- Battery-assisted label addresses traditional performance problems of passive RFID
  - Label does not reach "excitation level"
  - Label unable to communicate with reader due to challenging environment



- Reads tough products
- Range Up to 30 meters
- EPCglobal C1G2 compliant: mid-2007
- Target applications: High value assets in challenging environments
  - Cost: ~ \$1.00 for high quantities

Power Paper's PowerID is the only available battery-assisted, passive solution in the UHF range





# PowerID: Tracking High Value Assets in Challenging Environments

CPG Retail Auto Postal Container Carton Level **Item Level** Mail Bags Contair Car Parts **Pallet Level** 

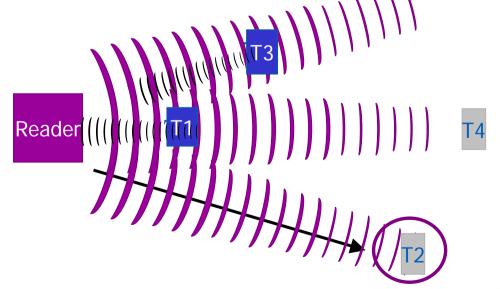
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#### Challenge 1: "Waking up" the label

#### Labels do not reach power excitation level

- Range
- Product materials (liquids, metals, etc.)
- Environment
- Packaging materials (metal cans, foils, plastic)
- "Sandwich" effect
- Orientation
- Movement speed

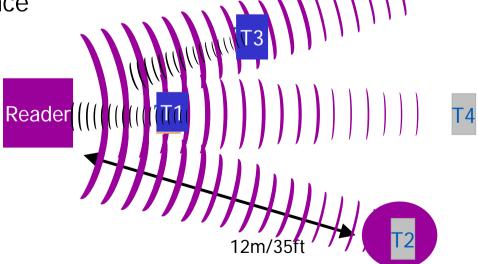




#### **PowerID Solution**

## Battery eliminates the need for label to collect energy from the reader

- Longer range, stronger signal
- Overcomes:
  - Product and packaging materials (Liquids, metal etc.)
  - Environment interference
  - "Sandwich" effect
  - Orientation of antenna
  - Movement speed





### Challenge 2: Weak Backscatter Signal

Reader does not detect label's backscatter low/poor signal

- Antenna is optimized primarily for energy collection and less for backscatter signal level (trade-off)
- Environmental and product / packaging interference
- "Sandwich" effect
- Orientation

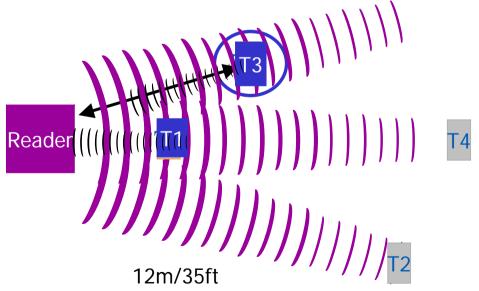




#### PowerID Solution

#### Antenna is optimized for maximum signal level

- Antenna optimized for high backscatter signal level with improved modulation depth (s/n ratio) and range
- Overcomes environmental and product / packaging interference, "sandwich" effects, orientation



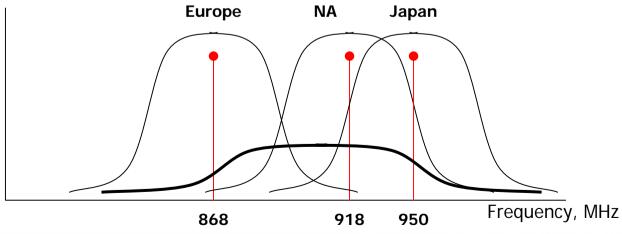


#### Challenge 3: Limited operability worldwide

## Label is optimized to specific regional frequency band

- Narrow responsive bandwidth ~868 or ~921, but not both
- Label antenna is optimized for energy collection
- Limiting the frequency bandwidth
- A label will not perform with every reader



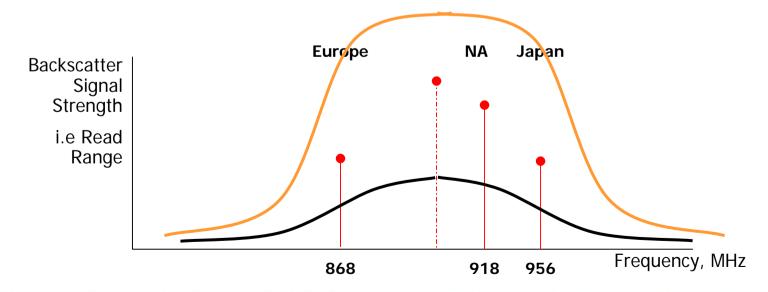


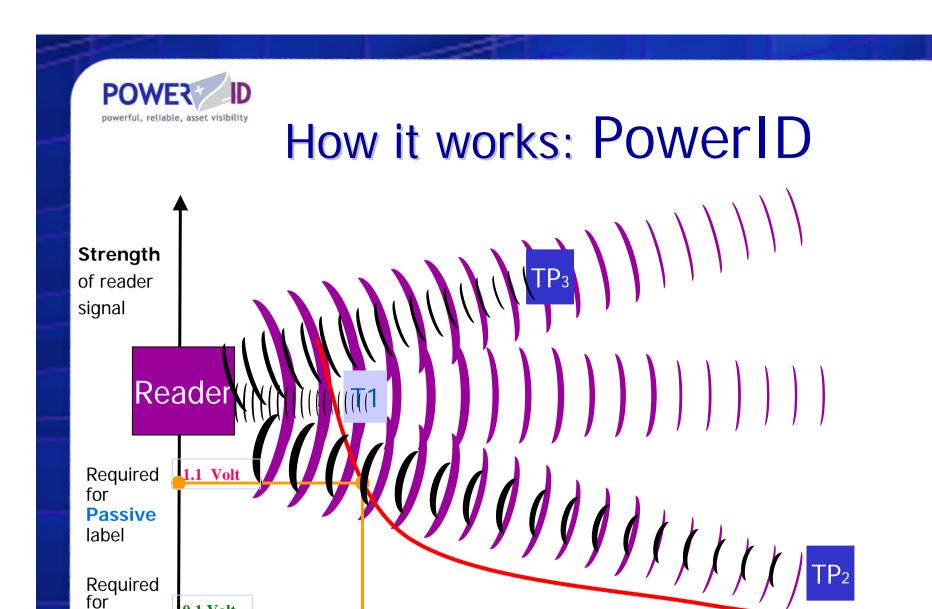


#### PowerID Solution

## Antenna designed to operate in a wide UHF frequency bandwidth

- Responsive bandwidth ~850 to ~960
- Label antenna is optimized for energy backscatter
- PowerID labels will perform well everywhere





**Distance** 

**0.1 Volt** 

4m/12ft

**PowerID** 

label

18m/54ft



# PowerID: Projects in various vertical challenging niche markets.

CPG Printing/Postal Retail Auto Container Carton Level **Item Level** Contair Car Parts **Pallet Level** Paper rolls



## **Challenging Environment**





## Field Testing







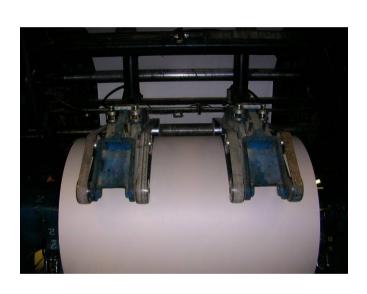
#### **Automotive**







## Paper Manufacturing







## Field Testing







#### **Postal**







### Media







#### Computer equipment – comparison table

#### Summary of the test results. Average percentages of detected equipment.

Supplier	LCD Screens	CRT Screens	Desktops	Printers	Laptops
A	% 45	% 100	% 97	% 88	-
В	% 10	% 100	% 73	% 85	-
PowerPaper	% 98	% 100	% 98	% 100	% 96



Case Study –
Mixed pallets and
Inventory Big logistic company





### **RFID Label Requirements**

- 1 label per pallet (anywhere on it = orientation insensitive)
- Read ranges
  - Tracking: 3m (dock door)
  - Inventory: 10m
- No decrease in current forklift speed (up to 8 m/s)
- Reading rate: 99.7%
- Upgradeable to EPC C1G2 and next
- Tag cost: ~0.8 € in millions



## Pallet Tracking Pilot

Loading controlled by RFID (NBG ID patent) real speed





#### Logistic Provider's Retail Supply Chain

#### Challenges

- Inventory: Barcode reading by workers on forklift for 40.000 pallets = time & frequency
- Pallet tracking: Pallets missing or sent to wrong retail locations = routing costs, out of stocks, etc.

#### Proposed solution

- Inventory: Long range RFID and dedicated reader that can be used by any forklift
- Pallet tracking: Identify pallet with retail location
- Operational requiremen

Real time location





## **Inventory Pilot**



Cross-reference shelf location with pallet



Taking inventory with RFID- enabled forklift

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Inventory management and location



#### Technologies Chosen

- RFID Label: UHF battery-assisted RFID (PowerID)
  - No equivalent in performance
  - Environment-friendly = Compliant with food pallets
- Inventory: RFID-enabled forklift
  - 1 reader, 4 antennas
  - Laptop with NBG ID software
  - 100% reading

Mixed Pallets tracking: Dock door loading monitor

- Pallet destination light signal system
- 1 reader, 4 antennas
- 99.7% reading.







#### **FAQs**

- How long does the label's battery last?
- What happens when the battery dies?
- Can batteries be recharged or replaced?
- Will I get an indication for low battery?
- What are PowerID's manufacturing capabilities?
- Are PowerID labels EPC Gen 2 compatible?
- Are PowerID labels compatible with other systems?
- Can labels be purchased without readers?
- Can I limit labels range of reading? (close dock doors, etc.).
- Form factor.
- Customized labels.
- Where is PowerID used today?.
- QUALIFICATION issues.



#### Thank you!

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