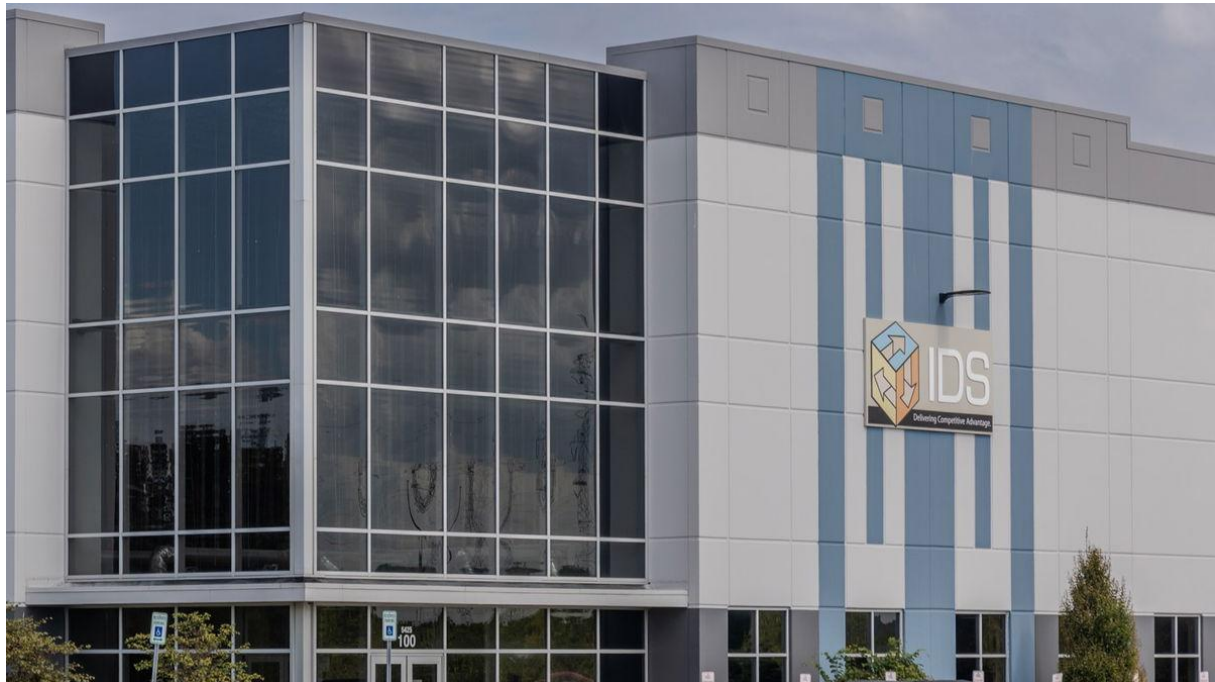


DHL acquires US e-commerce logistics business IDS Fulfillment

Purchase provides access to more small and medium-size customers

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IDS Fulfillment is based in Plainfield, Indiana, and has other warehouses across the country. (Photo: DHL Supply Chain)

The supply chain unit of German parcel and logistics giant DHL has acquired IDS Fulfillment to bolster its e-commerce service offerings to small and midsize customers in the United States, the company announced on Tuesday.

The deal brings more than 1.3 million square feet of public warehouse and distribution space under the DHL umbrella, including facilities in Indianapolis, Salt Lake City, Atlanta and Plainfield, Indiana, where IDS is headquartered. DHL Supply Chain also gains a diverse customer portfolio, including small-and-medium enterprises, and fulfillment expertise.

DHL said it will retain IDS' local managers to ensure service continuity for customers. Terms of the sale were not disclosed.

"E-Commerce has been a growth driver for DHL in recent years and is an important focus in our Strategy 2030 agenda," said Patrick Kelleher, CEO of DHL Supply Chain North America, in a news release. "The acquisition of IDS Fulfillment not only expands our operational footprint but also ensures small and midsize companies have access to our state-of-the-art logistics solutions designed for their specific requirements."

IDS represents the second e-commerce acquisition for DHL Supply Chain this year. In January, it acquired North Carolina-based Inmar Supply Chain Solutions, the largest reverse logistics provider for e-commerce retailers in North America.

This marks the second e-commerce acquisition for DHL Supply Chain in 2025, having acquired Inmar's reverse logistics business in January, making it the largest returns processing provider in North America.

"With global e-commerce set to grow at a compound annual growth rate of 8% per annum by 2029, DHL is targeting investments that further expand our capabilities to meet the needs of this growing segment and make our network and solutions easily accessible to businesses of all sizes. IDS Fulfillment complements our existing DHL fulfillment network, enhancing our ability to offer seamless global eCommerce solutions with local expertise and reach," said Oscar de Bok, Global CEO for DHL Supply Chain.

The move is especially timely, he added, as more multinational companies are looking to establish fulfillment capabilities in North America.

The U.S. government on Friday canceled the de minimis provision for low-value shipments entering the country from China and Hong Kong, forcing e-commerce sellers to pay 145% tariffs on individual orders that previously were allowed to enter the country duty-free. Chinese marketplaces like Temu, Shein and Alibaba, as well as other retailers, are setting up distribution operations in the U.S. with inventory sourced domestically or shipped in bulk by ocean to mitigate the impact of duties and other import fees.

DHL executives, [during a presentation last week](#) of first-quarter results, reiterated the importance of e-commerce logistics as a key growth area.