



Aratum Supply Chain Use Case Series: Leveraging CFS and origin consolidation

Aratum Supply Chain Use Case Series examines the status quo of current logistics and provides inspiration for best practices.

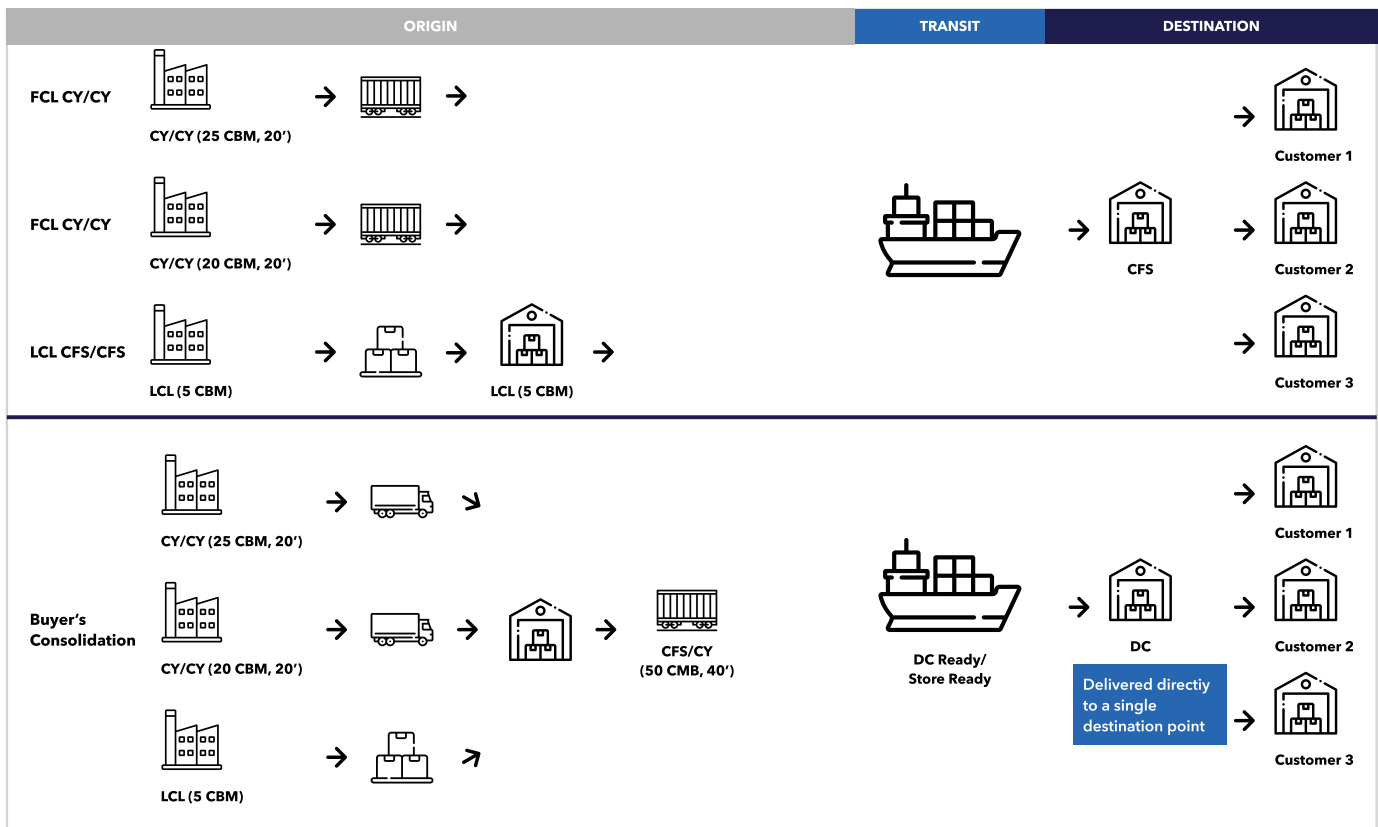
CFS (Container freight station) creates win-win for the top line and the bottom line of businesses. CFS allows the flexibility for the procurement department to meet customer demands, while reducing transportation costs. With people, process and Aratum technology used in alignment, more than 20% of cost savings can be achieved.

Consolidation is the key to flexibility in supply chain. Companies partner with logistics service providers (LSP) to ship less than full container loads. There are two types of consolidation:

- 1 Less than container load (LCL)**
Cargo from many companies is consolidated.
- 2 Buyers' consolidation**
Cargo from multiple suppliers for a single company is consolidated.

The consolidation process takes place in a CFS.





Aratum Horizons empowers CFS to perform the following services:

- Co-packing
- Quality control
- Store + call off
- Pick / Security tagging
- Ratio pack
- Store ready
- Carton sorting
- Multi-country consolidation (MCC)
- Barcode labelling
- Item picking
- Kitting / Assembling
- Scan packing
- eCommerce integrations



“Our CFS needs to quickly combine POs for inbound and outbound. We require seamless integration with global customers’ ERPs. For example, a delay in truck scheduling can mean a cost incurred already.

With Aratum technology, we can now plan our load in advance and split a PO by market, achieving unprecedented product-to-market velocity for our customers.”

-CEO, one of the largest CFS in Shanghai, China

“Improved security, storage and sorting processes at these CFS facilities enable us to deliver high service quality to our customers while ensuring that it complies with EU/US quality standards. By operating from these facilities, we can further strengthen our environmental, social and governance foundation which is an integral part of our corporate sustainability agenda,”

-Cluster Head of a large global forwarder

With Aratum technology, CFS has achieved the following results:

- ⊙ Automated data input
- ⊙ Minimized data silos and maximized space utility
- ⊙ Enhanced visibility for customers
- ⊙ Reduced carbon emissions of ocean freight shipments by 12%

Want to transform your CFS? Book a demo with Aratum consultants:

