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Augmented Reality (AR) is an emerging technology that will boost productivity and accuracy for the logistics industry. Recent developments in commercial AR devices, such as the Microsoft HoloLens and Meta 2, show that the capabilities of AR devices are quickly becoming useful to real world applications.

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In order to provide accurate information, industrial equipment will need to be modified with sensors to work the AR units. APDS will report on collected time data to ensure the OMNIS is providing the highest possible efficiency upgrade*. APDS will draft

have a thriving market. shown an increase the market exists for AR headsets that there is a new market for these headsets. While AR devices are powerful on their own, combining these headsets with external

sensors such as small Radio Frequency Identification tags has the potential to transform entire warehouses into AR facilities. Facilities who invest in this AR technology have the potential of eliminating unproductive workers who will no longer need to visit manifests computers to obtain locations of crates within the warehouse. Andone Professional Development Systems will