HAROLD BECKLIN

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Highly accomplished, multi-faceted Quality Engineer Professional with extensive experience encompassing process engineering, quality control, training and lean manufacturing

SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Proven track record of dramatically improving production quality, efficiency, and profitability.
- Collaborate with senior management, clients and vendors to effectively prioritize quality assurance activities and achieve defined objectives, corporate goals and production quality targets.
- Consistently successful in delivering strong cost reductions, improved efficiencies and overall client satisfaction; demonstrate expertise in the implementation of cost-effective, cutting-edge lean manufacturing methodologies.
- Solution-focused manager, aggressively tackling every task with a positive attitude and a sense of urgency; consistently able to deliver products of optimal quality, on time and on budget.
- Committed to helping organizations achieve maximum benefit from their employee and material investment, through meticulous quality control, process optimization and procedure development.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

PLASTIC OMNIUM, Duncan, SC

2008 - 2009

European-owned and operated manufacturing plant for automotive auto exterior parts and body modules.

OUALITY ENGINEER / CONTRACTOR

- Served as member of quality/manufacturing assurance team, responsible for recommending, planning, and implementing optimization quality process in manufacturing/assembly of injection molded parts and painted assemblies..
- Provided expertise and lean manufacturing strategies to increase ROI and throughput.
- Consulted with manufacturing team to identify best practices for corrective actions, and developed documentation system to ensure accurate and timely updates.
- Identified and implemented quality optimization impacting three manufacturing lines, resulting in elimination of third party containment.
- Completed comprehensive time study to develop guidelines and procedures to define standard work and provide foundation for continuous improvement.

AIR SYSTEM COMPONENTS, Tarboro, NC

2008

Market leading manufacturer of air system components for commercial and residential applications.

LEAN COORDINATOR INDUSTRIAL ENGINEER

- Held responsibility for increasing product quality, improving process flow, and reducing cost while maintaining / improving safety.
- Developed, evaluated, documented and enhanced manufacturing methods and processes through lean techniques and Kaizen events.

- Analyzed and reengineered production layouts; designed and integrated efficiency and quality improvement projects across production lines.
- Created cost models to support customer proposals and cost reduction initiatives.
- Achieved 40% increase in productivity, 90% quality improvement and reduced lead time by 60%.
- Redesigned floor layout, (one piece flow / pull system), resulting in 40% improvement in overall productivity while reducing required labor by 35%.
- Upgraded established preventive maintenance schedule, ensuring optimal equipment operations and minimizing production downtime.
- Significantly reduced waste and production time through implementation of Statistical Process Control (SPC) methodology.

BENTELER AUTOMOTIVE, Duncan, SC

2007 - 2008

A manufacturer of automotive chassis, and system structures.

PROCESS & OUALITY ENGINEER / CONTRACTOR

- Reorganized production lines to meet customer requirements, and reduced costs by performing and analyzing time studies and implementing new training procedures.
- Redesigned floor layout, resulting in 25% improvement in overall productivity while reducing required manpower by 20%.
- Updated production line documentation to comply with TS 1649 and ISO requirements.

DRIVE AUTOMOTIVE, Piedmont, SC

2005 - 2007

A manufacturing plant for automotive metal stamp parts and assembly of components.

PROCESS / QUALITY IMPROVEMENT ENGINEER

- Monitored and analyzed workflow, process, procedures, and line activities, with responsibility for identifying and resolving bottlenecks to maximize efficiency.
- Reduced cycle time through standard work instruction, process flow and time studies.
- Increased productivity through process analysis, motion study, material handing and time study of assembly lines.

SEEBER USA, Duncan, SC

2001 - 2005

A manufacturing plant producing automotive injection molded exterior parts, finishing operation /paint line and component assembly lines. A tier one supplier to BMW Mercedes Benz and VW.

PROCESS / QUALITY ENGINEER

- Held responsibility for all aspects of product quality planning, FMEA, control plan and PAPP submission of all interior parts supplied to BMW.
- Performed data analysis, status reporting and team-based corrective action functions to achieve highest levels of product quality.
- Provided qualification approval of all products, processes and procedures.
- Secured first-time approval from BMW for parts submitted for process series.
- Played integral role in five Kaizen programs which resulted in company savings of \$2.6 million.
- Implemented S5 Program, and cellular manufacturing, including One Piece Flow, Poka-Yoke and SPC methods.

A manufacturer of automotive fuel injectors.

QUALITY/PROCESS ENGINEER

- Designed, built and implemented multiple work stations based on stand-up cell layout and onepiece flow work methods for final assembly.
- Handled first-time quality and assembly for fuel injector lines in clean room environment.
- Implemented real time defect tracking, root cause problem-solving and fail safe optical recognition system which reduced customer rejections from 30% to 1%.
- Eliminated third party quality containment resulting in significant savings.

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

NAVISTAR INTERNATIONAL, Conway, AR FIRST TIME QUALITY (FTQ) / PROJECT ENGINEER

1998 - 2000

IRVING AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS, Del Rio, TX SENIOR INDUSTRIAL ENGINEER (QS 9000 CERTIFICATION)

1996 – 1998

AUTO TRIM, INC. (MEXICO), Brownsville, TX **SENIOR PROGRAM ENGINEER**

1993 - 1996

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

NATHANIEL HAWTHORNE COLLEGE, Antrim, NH
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Lean Manufacturing Certified University of Kentucky
- Six Sigma Green Belt Certified, Human Error Investigation, Logic of Failure, Operation and Facilities Design
- Certified ISO 9000 and QS 9000 Lead Auditor
- Engineering Economics, Ergonomics, Leather Training, Polyurethane Foam, Fundamental in Plastics and Processes, Plastics in Manufacturing, Composites, Polymerization and Alloying Chemistry, Metal Forming, Quality Control, Manufacturing Management, Just-In-Time Management

TECHNICAL SKILLS

• Windows, Word, Publisher, Visio, Excel, Project Management, Video Timer Pro/Line Balancing, Visio (CAD)