# Next Generation Value Creation at American Saw

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# **Repeatable Process?**



# Improvements Possible

Key results to be expected with a soundly implemented and well maintained "kaizen."

Immediately:

- 20% 30%
- 30% 40%
- 30% 50%
- 10% 20%
- 50% 60%
- 10% 20%
- 70% 90%

Increase in productive capacity Increased equipment uptime Reduction in space rqmts. Reduction in purchased costs Improvement in product quality Reduction in WrkComp Accrual Reduction in WIP inventory

### Cost Per Hour Analysis (1994 - 1998)

### (1998 Stnd Hrs and Then Year \$)



### Direct Labor Productivity 1994-1998 Volume vs. Direct Labor



## Indirect Labor Productivity 1993-1998 Volume vs. Indirect Employment



### WORKERS' COMPENSATION COST



### ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE



# Key Principles - Examples

# Capital Efficiency – Gateway vs Dell



### Strategic Integration Model



# **Our Choice**

Ugly Poor standards deliver results/rewards  $\bullet$ Poor Good standards deliver\_ results/rewards ulletGood Excellent standards deliver results/rewards Take Outstanding standards \_\_\_\_ all the rewards lacksquareOutstanding Good Excellent Poor

# **Purpose and Products**

### Purpose:

- To use the UTC/North Berwick experience as a thought and possibility stimulator
- In a way that creates a broader perspective about change and improvement
- So that at an individual and group level there will be greater clarity about direction and intention for improvement of American Saw.

### **Products:**

- Expanded perspective on change approaches
- Greater sense of possibility for process and outcomes
- Increased unity to act
- Appreciation for the question that the day is intended to answer

## **Topics covered**

- World Class Manufacturing...concepts and factory application
- Self-initiated work systems
- Compensation structure
- Maintaining healthy workforce relations
- Centrality of IR
- Financial implications of World Class
  Manufacturing and work design

- No comp. schemes without work design
- No work-design without Kaizen
- No Kaizen without inclusion
- No inclusion without clarity and constancy of purpose

What is the Unanswered Question that Brings Us Together?

 Some thinking, belief, issue, challenge has brought us together. This is not a random event.

What is the question that we are trying to answer?

# Understanding the Specifics of What We Want to Leave With

- What is it that you want to learn?
- What beliefs do you want to challenge in your own thinking?
- What beliefs do you want to challenge in the approach that is being taken by American Saw today?

**Business Imperative** 

 What are the business challenges/imperatives facing you?

**Overriding Governing Beliefs** 

## ALL EFFORT SHOULD BE DEVOTED TO

IMPROVING THE RELATIVE COMPETITIVE
 POSITION OF THE ORGANIZATION

• ASSURING THAT EMPLOYEES ARE TRULY IN A POSITION TO MAKE A PERSONAL CHOICE ABOUT WHETHER THEY STAY WITH OR LEAVE THE ORGANIZATION... Really being employers of choice.

## Belief

- Pursuing best in class concepts increases the value of the business and helps people have more choice because the skills are highly marketable.
- All that a person carries out of the organization is in their heads--this is where true personal value resides.
- Being an employer of choice implies creating conditions for employees in which they have true choice.
- We employee people in our organizations to improve the way work is done, not to do the work itself.

Challenge 1: Get a HPWS foundation in place that demonstrates attention to performance, capability and sustainability. Challenge 2: Get results quickly to build return and confidence.



Our Mantras

# 1) Develop a process that is as <u>big</u> as the organization can tolerate without breaking and as <u>fast</u> as it can go without braking.

2) Be <u>principle based</u> and have the process model the end state we want to create.

# The Formula in N. Berwick



Linking HPWS and Best-in-Class Concepts and Processes

### TO ACHIEVE THE GREATEST SYNERGY IN ANY CHANGE EFFORT IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT HIGH POTENTIAL ORGANIZATION PROCESSES AND THINKING ARE LINKED TO THE PURSUIT OF BEST-IN-CLASS OPERATING AND BUSINESS CONCEPTS



### A Few Key HPWS and Best-in-Class Operating Concepts

### world class operating concepts

- jit (takt, pull, flow)
- one piece flow,
- cellular production,
- set-up reduction,
- worker flexibility,
- kanban
- autonomation
- poka-yoke
- 5S
- standard work
- visual control

### HPWS/technician system

- thinking drives behavior drives results
- hierarchical processes-focused accountability
- teaming
- pay for work and demonstrated performance
- disciplined thinking
- continuous development

### A Few Examples of Our Guiding Principles

- Only use processes and approaches which we could look back on and honestly say were "high performance"
- Create a high level of stake in and stewardship by the entire work force for the approach
- Develop complete control over personal behavior and manufacturing processes to insure long-term discipline to processes
- Develop a progression and reward system that will be in place to support new work systems when the demand for it becomes manifest
- Secure results as fast as possible so that the improvements pay for themselves; balance creating and doing as close in time as possible
- Remove some element of personal pain for every individual-every individual will experience at least one real benefit

### **A Brief History**

• There was assembly line *flow*......

And we had functional departments......



Tutorial: Best-in-Class Operating Concepts

# Takt

Flow



### %-Load Chart Basics



Time

# **A Brief History**

- Now we are adding supporting tasks required to *maintain* "daily flow of material"
- And also beginning to produce with attention given to continuous improvement

## **Production Work Cell**



### **Grinding Work System**



- Criteria Based Objectives generic for each "work system"
- Checklists, portfolios and projects cell/work community specific
- Multi-Purpose Tools
  - \* Training
  - \* Demonstrating skills
  - \* Evaluating performance

# **R - 2**



### **Production Work Systems**

- \* Grinding
- \* Thermal Spraying
- \* Machining
- \* Welding
- \* Heat Treating
- \* Plating
- \* Assembling, Application, Bonding

#### Support Work Systems

- \* Industrial Waste Treatment Services
- \* Steam & Power Site Support
- \* Protective Services
- \* Administrative Support

# Layoff Security Zone



Seniority within a security zone.

# Beliefs:

- Ultimately our efforts must impact margin and / or cash flow.
- Making direct connections between change efforts and the value tree gives the work a sustainable context.
- Greater the understanding and focus on value tree at all organization levels, the greater the potential for positive change.

### The Value Tree Summary Sales NOPLAT Labor \* COGS **Materials** \* COS Depreciation \* **Overhead** \* SGA ROIC \* Working Capital Invested \* Plant, Property, Equipment Capital

\* Other net assets


# Why IR is Important outcomes ateria Flow Quality





#### Range of Roles



### The Domain of Possibility



# In closing, lessons learned

# by the Plant Manager

### Adopt a "nothing to lose" attitude. The crisis is already there...whether you recognize it or not.



## Design tension into your leadership team.



### Clearly separate yourself from practices not suited for the future.







## Use an "inclusive" process to make changes.

Everything we must do to get to the vision is negotiable.

Vision or direction is nonnegotiable.

### Learn from others and create "models" so people can see the vision.

Renounce the past. "The old way is gone." Create "one-way" gates.

- Flow is in
- Cells are in
- 5-s is in
- Visual is in
- TPM is in
- Flexibility is in
- Teaming is in
- Doing "white collar" tasks is in
- Self-funding your increase\$ is in
- Best-players play is in



# Relentlessly pursue performance and deliver results.

#### YOUR THOUGHTS ON THIS EVENT ...

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### **Possible Next Steps**

Leadership session describing 2005 end-state

