

# Effective Inventory Management Workshop AGENDA:

#### March 26, 2018: 8:30AM - 4:30PM

7:45 AMRegistration and Continental Breakfast10:00 - 10:20 AMBreak12:00 - 1:00 PMLunch2:15 - 2:35 PMBreak3:30 - 3:40PMBreak

### March 27, 2018: 8:00 AM - 3:30 PM

| Continental Breakfast |
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| Break                 |
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| Lunch                 |
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Total Instruction: 720 minutes = 14 CPE credits awarded for attendance

### AGENDA:

The EIM Workshop will cover the following 8 topics:

- #1 What Should You Stock?
  - Goal of effective inventory management
  - Responsibilities of different departments in achieving effective inventory management
  - Different types of inventory:
    - Resale
    - Production
    - Maintenance, repairs and operations (MRO)
  - $\circ$   $\;$  Determining what products to stock in each warehouse or store  $\;$
  - Ranking products by activity, cost of goods sold and profitability
  - Resale Inventory Ensuring that all inventory is profitable or leads to other profitable sales
  - MRO Inventory Determining the "critical nature" of each item

#### • #2 – Best Practice Forecasting #1

- The difference between dependent and independent demand
- Forecasting new stock items

- Determining how to stock products with sporadic usage activity
- Defining the six elements of an accurate forecast
- $\circ$   $\;$  Understanding the difference between sales, shipments and usage
- Verifying that usage is correctly recorded
- Identifying and correcting for unusual usage activity
- o How events and other factors can affect a forecast

#### • #3 – Best Practice Forecasting #2

- Common forecasting methods and where each should be utilized
- Measuring the accuracy of your forecast
- Collaborative information from customers and sales people (CPFR)
- o Building a cooperative environment throughout your supply chain
- o Different types of seasonality and trends
- The appropriate forecast horizon
- The effect of inaccurate forecasts on the entire supply chain

## • #4 – Determining When to Replenish Stock (Achieving Your Customer Service Goals)

- o Calculating accurate replenishment parameters
- Minimum/Maximum quantities
- o Order points, reorder points and line points
- The difference between average lead times and anticipated lead times
- o Different method for calculating safety stock quantities
- Using safety stock to balance customer service with your investment in stock inventory
- Order up to and flow point replenishment

# • #5 – Determining How Much To Order (Maximizing Profitability or Minimizing Costs)

- Economic order quantities
- Purchasing when presented with price breaks
- Evaluating rebate offers
- Buying before a price increase
- How space, money and product life limits affect purchasing decisions
- Determining your ideal inventory investment and potential turnover

#### • #6 – Implementing an Effective Replenishment Operation

- Setting up a multi-location supply network (assemble, transfer or buy)
- Distribution requirements planning (buying into the future, importing and container maximization)
- Materials requirements planning (acquiring raw materials and components just in time to complete an assembly or project)
- Best practice purchasing policies and procedures

- #7 Benchmark metrics Analyzing your progress
  - Fill rate, customer service level and stockouts
  - Vendor analysis
  - What inventory turnover really tells you
  - Turn/earn index and gross margin return on investment
  - Excess stock and dead inventory
- #8 Utilizing all the tools and techniques presented in the seminar, developing a plan for your organization to achieve effective inventory management

**Dress:** Business casual suggested. It is also suggested that you bring a sweater or jacket for comfort.

\*\*Please bring a laptop (PC or MAC) that has Excel 2007 or later on it.