



## Strategic Sourcing Engineer

In this critical role, you will work closely with our Purchasing and Design Engineering organizations to create New Product transitions and establish cost targets through early involvement with Sales, Product Engineering, Manufacturing Engineering, Operations Manufacturing, and Quality Assurance. Will also work closely with purchasing, suppliers, accounting, and engineering on cost reduction projects.

### Duties:

- Meet with product design/sustaining engineers, manufacturing engineering, and quality manager to gain input to understand the technical aspects of the design and cost objectives
- Identify suppliers to meet the specified requirements. Discuss feasibility, supplier capability/capacity, and work with purchasing group to negotiate purchase agreements and other factors related to supplier selection and order placement
- Collaborate with our Quality Manager to perform or assist in supplier qualifications, action plans, audits, performance monitoring, and assisting key suppliers improving performance
- Support team members on technical issues and questions related to ongoing supplier selection
- Achieve material cost reduction through value engineering and supply chain optimization
- Ensure early supplier involvement in the product design process
- Know and apply the OMAX Quality Management System
- Ability to coordinate cross functional teams (Engineering, Supply Chain, Planning, Quality, and Manufacturing Eng.) to achieve project timing completion and meet cost objectives
- General understanding of estimating software and GMT
- Basic understanding of basic ERP / MRP systems
- Uses data analytics to identify risks and opportunities
- Propose, implement, and reinforce standard materials in cooperation with Product Engineering
- Develop best practices and work closely with other purchasing members and business functions
- Perform other tasks or duties as assigned

### Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree in Engineering or equivalent with a background in Business Administration
- Working knowledge of engineering principles, including Solidworks experience
- At least 3-5 years of related experience, most of which must be in a manufacturing environment involving make to stock or custom component
- Knowledge of mechanical commodities (machining, casting, assembly, injection molding, stamping) and respective manufacturing processes
- Knowledge of supplier quality processes (production part approval process, advanced product quality planning, first article inspection reports, etc.)
- Ability to adapt to a very high-paced environment
- Able to communicate professionally and effectively, both verbally and in writing, with a wide variety of organizational personnel, suppliers and others
- Knowledge of Design for Manufacturing, (DFM), Design for Assembly, and Design to Cost, (DTC)
- Strong experience in lean and quality improvement programs