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Career Profile

Bottom-Line results oriented senior logistics and project engineer/maintenance professional with over 26 years of comprehensive experience in managing capital projects, maintenance operations, property accountability, distribution systems, inventory control systems, transportation, and warehousing**. Offering one stop operations and project management**.

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| Objective | A responsible position with a progressive company offering challenge and upward mobility in the Operations Management and or Project Engineering disciplines. |
| Work experience | **Schwan’s Foods Sr. Corporate Engineering Manager 2013- Present** While meeting consumer and customer needs, I have led a team of Senior Project Engineers that work with functional peers, manufacturing, and business unit partners to design, develop, and implement Capital Projects with a budget of ~$40MM per year. I also supported innovation, cost savings, and quality improvement initiatives. I am also responsible for identifying technology roadmaps and intellectual property to support capital projects. Identify and drive master plan strategies that can be leveraged across current and future product platforms and brand strategies throughout the company. Ensures company is leveraging engineering technologies to maintain a leadership role in the industry.Oversees, manages, and directs all of the innovation, cost savings, quality improvement, and technical services projects among the Packaging Engineering department. Works with Product Innovation & Development partners to ensure team members are assigned appropriately to Schwan’s portfolio of PI&D projects based on technical expertise and business prioritization. Develops and maintains company standards, technical solutions, and quality expectations for packaging materials, as well as ensure competitive assessments are actively completed. Partners with Capital Engineering team to develop and maintain efficiency standards and ensure quality expectations on packaging equipment are met.  **Pinnacle Foods Corporate Engineering Manager 2011- 2013**  As a Corporate Engineering Manager. I am part of a Corporate Engineering and CI team that has responsibility for capital project implementation/mentoring of 26 plants and 32 dotted line engineers. This would include both Frozen and Dry side Pinnacle facilities. Also acted as a mentor, resource, and auditor for Pinnacle C0-Packer facilities One of my objectives was to construct 80MM capital expenditures Frozen and Dry Grocery side. This included working with EHS (Safety) Plant Engineers, QA, Marketing, IT, and Co-packer departments. My Projects have ranged in scope and complexity from minor facility maintenance projects to major capital initiatives. In addition my projects have come in on-time, on-budget delivery; projects must be implemented to ensure optimum plant performance, maintaining quality food products, worker and environmental safety, and the lowest feasible conversion cost. I have also provided technical leadership to ensure continuous improvement of equipment and process capability and capacity. I have also worked with others in Corporate group to create structure in CPA procedures and continue to work on corporate standards.  **Bellisio Foods, Sr. Project Engineer 2007-2011** Responsible for majority of capital projects for 2 facilities including startup of new state of the art frozen entrée lines in Ohio. Leader of Continuous Improvement Team.  **Flint River Foods, Plant Manager 2003-2007**  Recruited by Glory Foods and New Era Canning Company to reopen the production facility. Direct sales, production, logistics, and SBR wastewater facility management. Directed the engineering and installation of a canning line. Began with a staff of 17 and have grown the business to 255 employees. Company sales in excess of 15 million annually. We produce over 78 million lbs of frozen and canned vegetables annually.  **Kraft Nabisco Atlanta Bakery, Maintenance Manager 1997- 2003**  Directed 106 members of maintenance staff. By utilizing MIMS and SAP preventive maintenance programs, and good communication skills with the BCT, IAM, and IBEW unions, we were able increase uptime efficiencies and decrease refuse to new levels. Worked closely with Production and Engineering Departments to strive to be the low cost producer of all of our products. Led all Nabisco Bakeries in CI’s (continuing improvement) ideas for 3 years straight. Team Leader and Emergency Commander for the KSMRP (Kraft Safety Risk Management Program). Leader of committee for the 2000-2003 IAM contract negations.  **Southern Frozen Foods, Maintenance Manager/Project Engineer 1990-1997**  Responsible for Refrigeration and Electrical Departments. The duties included creating preventive maintenance program, Process Safety Management program for the refrigeration department. Team leader and Project Engineer for reconstruction of a 22.5 million dollar repack facility. I directed installation and startup of the electrical, refrigeration, and packaging line.  **Lockheed Georgia Company, Engineer 1988-1989**  Participated in the construction of the fuselage of the C-5B aircraft. Team member of Engineering studies done on the Satellite Communication equipment on the aircraft.  **United States Navy, Electronic Technician 1983-1988**  Performed maintenance, repair and troubleshooting of radar and communication equipment. While station at SIMA, was responsible for planning and estimating of electrical upgrades and modification on Naval vessels. Received Naval Commendation medal, Good Conduct Medal, and Honorable discharge.  . |
| Education | BSEE North Carolina State University Associate of Science, Middle Georgia College  High School Diploma, Dooly County High School |
| Technical Training | Allen Bradley, PLC Programming Control Logix 5000.  Allen Bradley, RSLogix Software.  Allen Bradley, Fundamentals of Programming PLC 6200 software.  Clemson University, Utilities Cost Saving Systems.  IIAR, Refrigeration System Design.  Lockheed Georgia Company, Electronic and Electrical School.  U.S. Navy, Naval SPA-50A&B Maintenance School.  U.S. Navy, Naval SRC 20,21  U.S. Air Force Metcal School.  U.S. Navy, Naval AIMS MkXII IFF  U.S. Navy, Naval Electronics Technician  U.S. Navy, Naval Basic Electronic and Electrical |
| Computer Skills | Highly skilled with Windows NT and XP.  SAP Computer Maintenance Management System Power User.  AS400  AutoCAD R10-R14  Internet Access Software  Novell Network LAN and WAN.  Strong Computer Hardware skills |
| References | Reference available upon request. |
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