### Lester Dickerson

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##### Senior-Level Maintenance and Project Manager

**Team Safety | Budget Manager | Project Ownership**

Business leader with over twelve years in results orientated environments executing change management, efficiency standards, increased productivity, and safety protocols. Experience in team facilitation, quality control, budget adherence, and CMMS implementation. Strong knowledge in Maximo, TMA, MRP, SAP, and Microsoft Office Suite.

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| * Strategic Planning * Budget Administration * Lean Manufacturing * Training and Development | * Operations Management * Vendor Relations * Process Standardization * Inventory Control | * Cost Saving Techniques * Labor Relations * Safety Regulations * Procedure Implementation |

# Professional Experience

**TaTa Global Beverage, Landover MD** 2013 – 2016

***Engineering Maintenance Manager****,*

* Directly responsible for a $3M annual budget while adhering to maintenance standards through the use of KPI’s, metric tracking, and standardized processes.
* Manage contractors, facilities and direct reports, 12 in total with 2 being salaried. Ensured they are trained properly on technical standards, safety and corporate standards.
* Implemented a CMMS system to better track work orders, PM’s, completed tasks, backlog, and inventory within the first 120 days of employment with the company.
* Launched several new products, aided in the plant passing BRC audit successfully, and installed a new Frac-Pac single serve packaging line.
* Installed several box erectors as well as case packers on 3 lines and worked with vendor to ensure corrugate material was correct and to specifications for acceptable FAT

**General Mills/Kraft Foods, Federalsburg MD/ Kraft Foods, Richmond VA** 2010 – 2013

***Six SIGMA Black Belt/Production Supervisor****, 2010 – 2013*

* Utilized DMAIC process to foster teambuilding and enhance the project completion process.
* Ensured all lines in the plant were at a 3 sigma level or above.
* Promoted two team members to green belt and certified 2 out of 4 lines at 3 Sigma level within 8 months.
* Saved $200k within the first 5 months of implementation.
* Identified project that saved in immeasurable cost of production on Wheat Thins line
* Supervised 14 Operators running 3 lines in the production department

***Maintenance Manager****, 2009 – 2010*

* Contributed a preliminary annual savings of $1.9M within WIP production while updating 2 lines to 3 Sigma level and exceeding the maintenance budget by $120K.
* Overall responsibility of plant maintenance, budget, storerooms, planning, scheduling, and safety programs. Additionally, oversaw 9 direct reports.
* Served on the plant steering team to contribute to the future of the plant prior to Kraft merger.
* Increased machine uptime and throughputs by 12%.

**Advanced Technology Services, Beltsville MD** 2006 – 2009

***Maintenance Ops Manager***

* Direct oversight of all aspects of the business including janitorial, material procurement, parts procurement, PM compliance, capital project management, planning and scheduling maintenance while adhering to company initiatives and budget constraints.
* Developed P&L, revenue growth, forecasts, and budgets while meeting contract service requirements.
* Submitted a cost savings of $700K while increasing maintenance response time, customer satisfaction, and machine availability.
* Increased proactive maintenance from 22% to 81% to ensure timely completion of projects.

**John Deere Harvester Works, East Moline IL** 2000 – 2006

***Engineer and Project Manager***

* Managed engineering functions including machinery repair, preventative maintenance, and OSHA inspections. Additionally, responsible for 5 direct reports and $8.3M in inventory.
* Project manager for cross-functional plant machinery and the implementation of TPM plant wide.
* Fostered vendor relationships which contributed $100K in cost savings and reduced stale inventory to add $310K in savings.
* Implemented Lean processes that increased inventory accuracy by 38%.

# Education & Credentials

**M.A. Business Administration**, St. Ambrose University, Davenport, IA, 2004

**B.A. Liberal Arts**, Siena Heights University, Adrian, MI, 1992

Black Belt Training, Six Sigma, 2010