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#### SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Strong knowledge of X12, EDIFACT, retail supply chain, SaaS business models.
- Strong background successfully managing employees to achieve desired outcomes.
- Proven ability to find direction for process improvement and new initiatives.
- Effective leadership, interpersonal, planning and cross-departmental collaboration.
- Proficient in Microsoft Office, AS2 protocol, FTP, and VAN connections, Salesforce CRM, some SQL
- Entry level Ruby on Rails development skills, with good understanding of MVC and code syntax.

#### **CORE COMPETENCIES**

Leadership • Management • Problem Solving • Communication Initiative/Innovation • Process Improvement • Customer Service • Responsibility

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### Leadership/Experience

- Performed QA on SPS developed maps to ensure they met both EDI and partner standards.
- Recognize, research, isolate, and resolve customer issues while maintaining constant communication.
- Serve as a primary lead for implementation and service team members to resolve issues they are unable to facilitate.
- Facilitate release of new program update across the entire company and customer base.
- Created cross-departmental training materials for new AS2 system roles and SPS Commerce Support Center
- Manage the SPS online Support Center by monitoring and updating content, ensuring employee response within Service Level Agreement, and implementing process improvement.

#### Service/Awards

- Maintained 97.5% customer satisfaction rating over 1.5 years.
- Two time 4th quarter employee recognition recipient.
- Officially commended for initiative, enthusiasm, tenacity, intense customer focus, attention to detail, and dependability in performance reviews.
- Completed voluntary customer service training to learn new ways to enhance customer satisfaction and improve productivity.

#### Management

- Assisted in hiring new employees, by developing and implement training policies to increase efficiency with regard to employee development and enhanced productivity.
- Facilitated student/staff meetings of up to twenty-six people. Participated in the professional development process to help entry level employees succeed and improve.
- Maintained the locker rental program for over three hundred lockers on the East Bank campus.
- Fashioned a proposal to restructure and retain the locker program with Student Unions & Activities.
- Wrote and conducted employee written reviews.
- Developed new procedures and policies, to make gameroom more efficient and safe

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## **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

SPS Commerce, Minneapolis, Minnesota Associate Quality Assurance Analyst	2014-Present
SPS Commerce, Minneapolis, Minnesota Support Center Lead	2013-2014
SPS Commerce, Minneapolis, Minnesota Senior Customer Operations Analyst	2013-2013
SPS Commerce, Minneapolis, Minnesota <u>Customer Operations Analyst</u>	2012-2013
Minnesota Swarm Professional Lacrosse, Saint Paul, Minnesota Brand Management Intern, Game Ops Intern	2011-2012
Student Unions & Activities, Information Desk, Minneapolis, Minnesota Student Manager	2010-2012
Student Unions & Activities, Goldy's Gameroom, Minneapolis, Minnesota Student Manger & Bowling Lane Mechanic	2010-2012
New Page Paper Mill, Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin <u>Assistant Kiln Operator/Summer Vacation Relief</u>	2008 & 2010
Bowlmor Lanes, Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin Front Desk Assistant & Pin Chaser	2006-2008

## **EDUCATION**

B.S., Sports Management, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota Graduation: Spring 2012

Focus on Marketing, Community Relations, Brand Management, and Customer Relations