



P Squared Process Improvement Supports Six Sigma Efforts

The president of a leading producer of seamless tubular products, mainly dedicated to oil and gas applications, felt strongly that a continuous improvement culture must be established at his company. He selected the P Squared Process Improvement methodology to complement the Six Sigma efforts already underway. His goal was to empower employee teams throughout multi-state company locations.

Supporting the Six Sigma undertaking, the P Squared training presented Process Improvement concepts and tools in a simple manner, understandable by employees at all levels. It familiarized the attendees with the tools used by the Black Belts, the internal company statistical experts. Employees better understood the tools and what could be accomplished by their application. As a result, employees at all levels now continuously improve their processes through the use of these tools and better understand when to call on the statistical experts for assistance.

The P Squared program also eliminated the fear of change for employees concerning the impact of the Six Sigma program. Rather they now embrace and support the effort and provide more effective measurements and input.

The company has established a Continuous Improvement Team Steering Committee and, through employee involvement meetings, they identified over 200 opportunities for improvement. These issues were each further defined, prioritized and project teams established to use the P Squared methods - to analyze the problem, generate and evaluate potential solutions, then implement and standardize the solution - *creating a true continuous process improvement culture.*

The senior management team set an aggressive goal for the subsequent year's EBIT and there is good news to report! Their goal was exceeded by over 250% setting a new company record!

The president describes the experience - ***“P Squared Consulting revitalized our continuous improvement effort – providing training that was simple but comprehensive – reinforced with an actual problem solving case. Participants felt this was the most useful training they had ever received – and could not wait to get started improving their processes. The results have been dramatic and beyond my expectations!”***