



## Product Development for Lean Manufacturing

#### How Freudenberg-NOK Integrates Lean Product Development into APQP





# The Freudenberg and NOK Group





- \$7.5 billion in total **annual sales**, with global automotive sales of ~\$4 billion
- One of only 8 in the top 100 OE automotive suppliers that has global balance in each of the three major automotive markets Asia, Europe and North America *Automotive News*
- Offers world-class product development and manufacturing at **57 automotive operations** in 27 countries facilities include:
  - ✓ 25 in North and South America
  - ✓ 21 in Europe
  - ✓ 11 in the Pacific Rim
- One of the world's **largest non-tire rubber fabricators**, annually **produces 10 billion components** worldwide



### Automotive Products





- Sealing packages for engines, transmissions, brakes, axles and steering
- Complete noise, vibration and harshness (NVH) reduction components and packages



• All rubber, plastic and PTFE components for suspension, electrical and fuel systems







#### Lean at Freudenberg-NOK





Team Harmony, and represents Freudenberg-NOK's company-wide program stressing lean business practice

Where's the Product Development for Lean Initiative? Nothing formal, It just happened organically



2000 - <u>Six Sigma</u>

2001 - <u>Reached 16,000</u> Kaizens



### Product Development at Freudenberg-NOK



- We are a SKU warrior
  - ✓ Many individual unrelated components
- Evolution of Product Development Process
  - ✓ Focused on Program Mgt within APQP context
  - Tried to avoid having our solutions deployment stagnate into an "engineering only" system
- Focused on broad, phase-based product development with emphasis on high level tasks and deliverables
- Using Aras Innovator for over 4 years



#### Approaches to Lean in Product Development



Applying Lean Techniques to Engineering

Kennedy & Liker TPDS Methodology

**Basic Considerations** 





### How We Approached Lean Development



#### Basic Lean Considerations during Product Development

- ✓ Slot into an existing Lean Product Family?
- ✓ Use existing Value Stream and / or Sequence of Events?
- ✓ Existing preferred suppliers qualified for Lean deliveries?
- ✓ Targeting specific lines or work cells?
- ✓ Takt Time calculated prior to launch?
- ✓ Tooling & equipment 'quick change over' SMED ready?
- Design for manufacturability include poka yoke "mistake proofing"?



**Fundamental Goals** 



- $\checkmark$  Reduce Time to Volume at Launch
- ✓ Ensure Highest Quality Levels
- ✓ Eliminate Waste During Production Ramp
- $\checkmark$  Achieve Operations and Supply Chain Readiness
- ✓ Reduce Associated Preproduction Preparation Costs
- ✓ Maximize New Product Profit Margins





#### Competitive Practices APQP Context





Specific Templates





#### **KPI** Metrics





#### **Executive Scorecards**

Measure

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- Customer Satisfaction
- Plant Launch Performance

Track

- ✓ Quality
- ✓ Service
- ✓ Readiness
- ✓ Timeliness
- ✓ Profitability



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Įuality	First production order zero defects	5	5
luality	PPAP submittal zero defects	15	15
uality	Product specification met	15	15
eadiness	SOP (First Production Order) on time	10	10
		Split Score Total	55
Internal (Plant) Launch Performance		Possible Score	Actual Score
uality	Tools and auxillary equipment function as planned	10	10
uality	Tools and auxillary equipment within budget	5	5
uality	No supplier issues	10	10
juality	Process is 6 sigma capable for quality triggers	5	5
eadiness	Process is stable and production ready	5	5
rofitability	Process is equal or better than planned (cycles/cost)	15	15
		Split Score Total	50



#### **Future Direction**



- Live Documents
  - ✓ Improve document control during phase 2 & 3
  - ✓ SIMPLE integration, eliminate share drives
- Project Request Process
  - ✓ Use Aras Innovator for project initiation up front
  - ✓ Manage program initiation process
  - $\checkmark$  Use workflows with projects
    - » Who's working on what
    - » Hours charged
    - » Results achieved
- These are areas we think offer collaboration opportunities moving forward



#### Summary



- Standardizing APQP has allowed us to standardize our signaling to kick off Lean processes
- APQP like Lean is a process not a project
- After 15 years and thousands of Kaizens, we still see lots of low hanging opportunity