



#### Achieving Higher Maturity with Centralized Statistical Process Control

#### **Centralized Statistical Process Control**



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Applicability subgroup Means CMMI Development Model V1.3 for Systems Engineering, Software, and Hardware Large scale appraisals (~3000 people) Multi-program, multi-site environments Economy of scale



#### Overview

## Benefits of a Centralized Statistical Process Control Team

- A Quicker "Yes" (a faster buy-in)
- "All-in" monitoring and control
- "Cheaper, Faster, Better" (*lower base/over head cost*)

### with Distributed Approach

HISTORY

Our

#### **Evolution of Level 5 Capability**



#### **Challenges with Distributed SPC Approach**

Capability Sixpack of CYC TIME Post 2005 to 2010 Distributed approach made commonality difficult for items such as metric formats, definitions, and scoring criteria. Rollup of data and analysis at organizational level was inefficient Process organization had no authority to influence high maturity metrics Organizational Leadership viewed L5 as too expensive Inconsistent customer requirements Oct 03 Level 3 Achieve Nov 01 •Unable to sustain L5 culture



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# Between /Within Capability Sixpack of CYC TIME **Current Environment and** Implementation



#### **Transition to a L4/5 Centralized SPC Group**

Between/Within Capability Sixpack of CYC TIME
 Evolution to Centralized SPC group Histogram
 Division and program level commitment to centralization

- Core process group given Responsibility, Accountability and Authority (RAA) for L5 process
- Key SPC subject matter expertise assigned to core process group
- Established common L5 process, metrics, and analysis tools



Capability Plot



## **Comparison of Approaches**

#### **Distributed versus Centralized**

Distributed	Centralized
Part time Core SPC expert(s)	• Full time SPC expert(s)
Reliance on programs to provide SPC skills	<ul> <li>Availability not impacted by program priorities</li> </ul>
Lengthy Level 5 instantiation	• Faster L5 capability
<ul> <li>Limited insight into program L5 metrics</li> </ul>	• Full insight into all program L5 metrics
• Wide variation in skills, training, and effectiveness.	<ul> <li>Known skill sets, common training, and effectiveness</li> </ul>
Different metric definitions and measurements	Common metric definitions and measurements
<ul> <li>Inconsistent reporting to leadership</li> </ul>	Consistent reporting to leadership
Program-specific view on key processes	Ensured focus on key performance     processes



#### **Results and Benefits**

- Reduce appraisal planning and execution costs
- Higher number of Level 4 and 5 projects across functions and programs
- Continued centralized approach maintains ongoing high maturity focus with committed resources
- Centralized approach resulted in finding additional program Level 4 and 5 candidates
- Centralized SPC resulted in a support system that programs relied on to strengthen and improve existing skill sets.

# Lessons Learned

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## **Lessons Learned**

- Centralized SPC SME does not replace program responsibility
  - Root Cause and Corrective Action
  - Analysis of Outliers
  - Process improvement pilots
  - Using SPC as a decision tool



- Centralized SPC SME must communicate analysis results early to programs.
- Visibility into multiple programs has improved response to RFP's and "what if" scenarios.
- With an overall view of all programs, we have a higher confidence in proposal inputs.





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