



Vice President of Sustaining and Advanced Aircraft Procurement

Join a leading Aircraft OEM as the **Vice President of Sustaining and Advanced Aircraft Procurement**. The **Vice President of SAAP** will be directly responsible for tactical, strategic direction, and leadership for the Sustaining and Advanced Aircraft Procurement function. This position will be accountable for the execution of procurement for all Production material to satisfy the requirements set forth in the manufacturing plan.

To be successful in this role, the **Vice President of SAAP** will need to do the following:

Manage Supplier Base: To effectively manage the company's supplier base, the **Vice President of SAAP** will need to ensure that suppliers understand the company's long-term goals and opportunities, as well as its short-term needs. This will require increased communication with suppliers and a better understanding of their conditions and constraints.

Develop Talent: The **Vice President of SAAP** will develop the **SAAP** to its full potential while maintaining high levels of employee motivation and productivity.

Cultivate Relationships with Engineering: The **Supply Chain Group** must work with the Engineering Group to identify the technical challenges that the Supply Chain needs to understand. This would include understanding design processes and manufacturing time constraints in order to accomplish the OTD of prototype products and material.

SAP Strategy and Management by Metrics: The **Vice President of SAAP** will be responsible for addressing gaps within the existing ERP system usage in order to yield optimal operational efficiency. He or she will instill a rigorous approach to management by metrics throughout the factory. Empower and mentor directors to implement corrective actions to ensure that metrics are used to create change within the organization.

Acclimate to the Company's Culture: The **Vice President of SAAP** will work for an established, team-driven organization. The Vice President of SAAP must cultivate excellent relationships across the enterprise and uphold a humble, servant leadership style.

BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE:

The ideal candidate will have the following education, work history, knowledge and skills.

Education: Bachelor's degree in Engineering, Business Management or related field required. Master's degree in Engineering or Business preferred.

Experience & Knowledge:

- Experience with Aerospace, Defense, Automotive or another industry that requires complex engineering is required.
- 15+ years of experience in the following: Procurement, Operations or Supply Chain Management.
- At least 10 years of progressively responsible Management or Program Management experience.
- Knowledge of Manufacturing, Finance, Engineering, and Program Management preferred.
- Experience with SAP/ERP implementation required.
- Experience/educational base of Lean and Lean principles, with respect to Supply Chain Management are required.
- Aircraft build and component knowledge is strongly preferred.
- Strong interpersonal, communication and negotiation skills.
- Ability to influence others in a matrix organization and work cooperatively with other disciplines.
- Maintain knowledge of legal, economic, market and technical developments that affect procurement activities.
- Humble, servant leadership style is necessary.

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