

Why Delivering Products Customers Actually Want Requires Great Process Creation

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## Agenda

- What is LPPD?
- Why is this Important?
- Case Study Introduction
- Barriers to Great Process Creation (Exercise)
- What's the Process to Get Better?
- Case Study Observations & Results
- Reflection





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# What is LPPD?





## LPPD should consider this entire cycle



# Why is this Important?





## Where do you want to Launch? (1)?(2)?(3)?



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## What can we accomplish in 90 minutes?



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# Case Study Introduction: Acme Devices





## The High Voltage Switch (HVS) at ACME





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## Process "Design" As Usual



#### Who is thinking about designing a profitable value stream?

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## **Difference of Opinions**



Metric	Product Team's Proposal	Operational Team's Counterproposal
Cost per unit	\$2.26	\$1.88
Labor Efficiency	51%	86%
Capital Spend	\$3.6 Million	\$2.5 Million





# Barriers to Great Process Creation







## **Barriers**

- TOO MUCH, TOO EARLY (TMTE)
  - Critical decisions are made too far in advance
  - Knowledge incomplete
  - Prematurely locks-in the process design
- PENNY-WISE, POUND-FOOLISH (PWPF)
  - Short-sighted decisions are made for local optimization throughout the design cycle
  - Results in overall performance reduction
- TOO LITTLE, TOO LATE (TLTL)
  - Insufficient upfront design activity before launch
  - Creates a flurry of rework after launch



## **Barriers: Examples**

- TOO MUCH, TOO EARLY (TMTE)
  - In an effort to eliminate conveyors, an organization purchased 2500 carts and configured the next generation operation accordingly
  - It was discovered that the \$2.5 million of carts were too large, driving large batch flow and extra operator motions
- PENNY-WISE, POUND-FOOLISH (PWPF)
  - Machine designers combined two operations into one station to minimize space, handling and number of employees
  - This resulted in a bottleneck station and underutilized resources throughout the value stream
- TOO LITTLE, TOO LATE (TLTL)
  - During the final phases of construction, a hospital decided to commonize room configuration to support standard work and patient experience
  - It was determined to be cost prohibitive due to changes to the building's physical structure





## **Barriers, Timing and (Lost) Opportunity**



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## **Example for Exercise**

#### **Process:**

#### **Building a New House**

Too Much, Too EarlyOwner early-on decides on geothermal heating & cooling systemFinal house plan square footage requires 50% larger lot to enable the geothermal system or supplemental heating / cooling systemPenny-Wise, Pound-Foolish Lo save on construction costs (and to put toward a bigger lot!)Owner experiences significantly higher on-going utility costs (and a increased load on the geothermal system!)Too Little, Too LateMain electrical panel is placed into unfinished lower level space.Main electrical panel is in middle of bedroom space	Barriers	What was Observed?	What was the Impact?
Penny-Wise, Pound-Foolish   Owner selects lower quality window   Owner experiences significantly     to save on construction costs (and to put toward a bigger lot!)   higher on-going utility costs (and a increased load on the geothermal system!)     Too Little, Too Late   Main electrical panel is placed into unfinished lower level space.   Main electrical panel is in middle of bedroom space	Too Much, Too Early	Owner early-on decides on geothermal heating & cooling system	Final house plan square footage requires 50% larger lot to enable the geothermal system or supplemental heating / cooling system
<b>Too Little, Too Late</b> Main electrical panel is placed into Main electrical panel is in middle of unfinished lower level space.	Penny-Wise, Pound-Foolish	Owner selects lower quality window to save on construction costs (and to put toward a bigger lot!)	Owner experiences significantly higher on-going utility costs (and an increased load on the geothermal system!)
Owner decides to partially finish lower level and include another bedroom.	Too Little, Too Late	Main electrical panel is placed into unfinished lower level space. Owner decides to partially finish lower level and include another bedroom.	Main electrical panel is in middle of bedroom space

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## **Exercise Handout**

#### **Process:**

Barriers	What was observed?	What was the impact?
Too Much, Too Early		
(Upfront Operational Decisions)		
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Penny-Wise, Pound-Foolish		
(Decisions throughout Lifecycle)		
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Too Little, Too Late		
(Late-Stage Operational Actions)		
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## **Exercise Instructions**

- Think of a new process launched in your organization
- Fill out the handout based on your understanding / experience with your new process

- 10 minutes

- As a table, briefly share one barrier example per person
  1 minute takt time per person
- Focusing on the potential causes, discuss as a table how you would countermeasure these barriers in the future

- 5 minutes

• We will wrap up the exercise with a group debrief



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# What's the Process to Get Better?



A Countermeasure to the barriers of creating great processes





## Lean Process Creation within Development



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# Case Study Observations & Results





## **Observations from Acme Devices**

Acme Devices High Voltage		
Barriers	What was Observed?	What was the Impact?
Too Much, Too Early	HVS Project Team designs a semi-automated conveyor line to meet their goal of minimizing direct labor	10 Year Lifecycle Cost Difference = <i>\$5.6 Million</i> between Concept 1 & 8
Penny-Wise, Pound-Foolish	HVS Project Team decides to combine Overweld and Leak Test to save space on their conveyor concept	Bottleneck of 28 sec vs 15 sec would have required investing in a second line
Too Little, Too Late	HVS Project Team hands-off the process design to the Chicago plant without any input from the Operational Team	Concept 1 is 20% more costly than Concept 2, and 138% more costly than Concept 8



Process:



### Results



Metric	Product Team's Proposal (Concept 1)	Operational Team's Counterproposal (Concept 2)	Lean Process Creation Team's Final Proposal (Concept 8)
Cost per unit	\$2.26	\$1.88	\$0.95
Labor Efficiency	51%	86%	84%
Capital Spend	\$3.6 Million	\$2.5 Million	\$0.5 Million
Total Lifecycle Cost	\$9.8 Million	\$8.1 Million	\$4.1 Million

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## Reflection





## Where do you want to Launch? (1)?(2)?(3)?



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## "Monday Morning"

- Pick a new product / process
- Nominate a system architect
  Take responsibility
- Identify your responsible experts
  - Be prepared to collaborate
- Take a value stream view
- Consider these phases
  - 6Cs
  - 4:2:1
- Focus on the work
  - It SHOULD define the process





# Q&A





