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Strategic Sourcing Buyer

Department: Purchasing / Supply Chain
Reports To: Operations Manager
Location: Clinton Township, MI (In-Office)
Employment Type: Full-Time

Position Summary

We are seeking a highly motivated **Strategic Sourcing Buyer** to support sourcing initiatives for two Amphenol divisions. This shared-resource position will focus primarily on identifying, evaluating, and approving new suppliers while driving cost reduction, supplier performance, on-time delivery, and quality improvement initiatives.

This role will support our division as well as another Amphenol division in Canada with operations in Nogales, Mexico also.

Key Responsibilities

- Identify, evaluate, qualify, and approve new suppliers for components, raw materials, tooling, outside services, and manufacturing support needs
- Lead sourcing initiatives for two Amphenol divisions, including support for USA/Canada and Nogales, Mexico operations
- Review drawings, specifications, BOMs, and technical requirements to determine supplier capability
- Manage RFQs and evaluate supplier pricing, lead times, capacity, quality systems, and overall capability
- Negotiate pricing, lead times, payment terms, and commercial terms with suppliers
- Drive cost reduction initiatives through new supplier development, resourcing, supplier consolidation, and competitive quoting
- Monitor and manage supplier performance, including on-time delivery, quality, responsiveness, and corrective actions
- Work with Quality and Engineering to support supplier approvals, audits, samples, first article submissions, and corrective action follow-up
- Support supplier development activities to improve lead times, quality, capacity, and overall performance
- Communicate supplier risks, delays, quality issues, and cost savings opportunities to Purchasing, Operations, Engineering, Quality, and Management
- Maintain accurate supplier qualification records, quotes, pricing, lead times, and sourcing documentation
- Provide limited buyer support, including purchase order placement, supplier follow-up, and ERP updates as needed for sourcing projects

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Qualifications

- 3+ years of strategic sourcing, supplier development, purchasing, or supply chain experience in a manufacturing environment preferred
- Experience identifying, qualifying, and approving new suppliers
- Ability to read and understand engineering drawings, specifications, and BOMs
- Experience managing RFQs and evaluating supplier pricing, lead times, capacity, quality systems, and capabilities
- Strong cost reduction, negotiation, supplier performance, and problem-solving skills
- Experience managing supplier OTD, quality issues, and corrective actions
- Ability to work cross-functionally with Engineering, Quality, Operations, Planning, and Purchasing
- Experience working with domestic and international suppliers preferred
- ERP/MRP system experience preferred
- Proficient in Microsoft Excel, Outlook, and standard business software

Preferred Experience

- Manufacturing, automotive, connector, cable assembly, electronics, plastics, metals, machining, stamping, or industrial component experience
- Experience sourcing suppliers in the U.S., Mexico, Canada, Europe, India and China
- Familiarity with ISO quality systems, supplier audits, PPAP, APQP, first article inspections, or supplier corrective actions
- Experience supporting Mexico manufacturing operations or maquiladora supply chains is a plus

Ideal Candidate

The ideal candidate is proactive, analytical, and supplier-focused. This person should be comfortable finding and approving new suppliers, reviewing technical requirements, negotiating cost reductions, and improving supplier on-time delivery and quality performance. They should be able to support multiple divisions while maintaining strong communication and follow-through.

What We Offer

- Competitive salary and benefits package
- Opportunity to support multiple Amphenol divisions
- Exposure to domestic and international sourcing projects
- Collaborative manufacturing and supply chain environment
- Opportunity to make a direct impact on supplier strategy, cost savings, quality, and delivery performance

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