Modern Procurement

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Components of US Corporate Purchases



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The Leverage

Strategic sourcing efforts can have a significant impact on the financial performance and shareholder value of a company

ILLUSTRA	TIVE EXAMPLE		Percent cost reduct	tion in Direct Materia	ls
		Baseline	5%	10%	15%
	Revenue	\$1,000M	\$1,000M	\$1,000M	\$1,000M
	COGS - Material	390M	371M	351M	332M
	Labor & OH	275M	275M	275M	275M
	Gross Margin	\$335M	\$354M	\$374M	\$393M
C	Operating Expenses	200M	200M	200M	200M
	Net Income (pretax)	\$135M	\$154M	\$174M	\$193M
	% Improvement		14%	29%	43%

"When the goal is boosting profits by dramatically lowering costs, a business should look first to what it buys."

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Fortune, February 20, 1995

The Leverage

Required cost reduction to achieve 20% increase in profitability:

Industry	Purchasing	Manufacturing
Computer	1%	5%
Electrical Equipment	3%	11%
Automotive	1%	4%
Electronics	2%	6%

The Decisions:





"Make" vs. "Buy" From River Rouge to Resende





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Advantages of Outsourcing

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Problems with Outsourcing

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The Strategic Risk

Creating a competitor

- 1914 The Dodge Brothers turn from a Ford engine supplier to a competitor
- Japanese consumer electronic industry started with contracting for US firms for radio receivers (also adopted transistors faster)
- Japanese aircraft industries?
- Losing control of the channel to a supplier
 - IBM in 1980 designed the PC, the manufacturing process and the value chain
 - Contracted to Microsoft and Intel
 - "Window Machine" and "Intel Inside"
- Losing control of the channel to a customer
 - P&G and Wal-Mart => "Wal-Mart Outside"?

The New Balance Story

A long term supplier – Horace Chang – went into business for itself Selling NB shoes at 1/3 the wholesale price Making "bottom of the line" model and flooding the market 1st in China and then worldwide Robbing NB of revenue Damaging the brand association with high-performance athletic shoes Actions: China's Administration for Industry and Commerce (AIC) agreed to raid five factories in 2000 netting 100,000 shoes Dec 2000 filed suit in Shenzhen. Feb 2002 a judge rules against NB. NB is appealing

Wall Street Journal, 12/19/02

Example: Ford CT20 Project

- Ford owned 25% of Mazda and had long relationships with them (including the 1988 Probe and Festiva)
- In early 1990 Ford outsourced product development and relied on manufacturing help for the CT20 (platforms for the Ford Escort and mercury Tracer)
- Steps to limit exposure:
 - Joint efforts limited to subcompact and compact only (Mazda's strong suit and Ford's weakest). Based on the 323 platform
 - Ford staff was on site in Hiroshima to learn and trasnfer knowledge
 - Two manufacturing plants: heavy involvement of Mazda in the Hermosillo, Mexico plant; another plant in Wayne, Michigan
 - Later the Wayne plant modified its processes based on the Hermosillo experience

Sourcing Process



The Total System Cost View

Purchase price

- Supplier economics
- Supply chain costs (e.g., transportation, carrying inventory)
- Buyer's cost of acquiring and managing products and services
- Quality and reliability of product/service over the lifetime of the contract
- Value of product/service to internal/external customer



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Complete Cost Consideration

 Starting in '98 moved purchasing overseas
 Severed relationships with long time suppliers who would not agree to procure in the Far East

e-Procurement

e-Procurement relies upon direct process linkages between business consumers and suppliers.

eProcurement

Traditional Procurement



e-Procurement:

Main benefit: Improved Compliance

Phase of Contract:	Negotiate Deal	Implement Contract	Manage Compliance
Benefits Captured	 Initial excitement Early adopters happy Management support at its greatest Little to no administration required 	 System limitations and administrative issues surface First user complaints Performance tracking systems installed 	 Benefits are sustainable with eProcurement Ease of use and reporting become critical Significant administration required Dismayed users may resort to old methods and sources
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e-Procurement Applications Landscape





IBM Fortunes



The Turnaround



Wall Street Journal, Jan. 8, 2002

"IBM SIGNED a \$5 billion outsourcing contract and plans to sell some operations as it looks to cut costs in its personal-computer business."



e-Procurement

PROCUREMENT STRATEGY, PLANNING, PROCESS IMPROVEMENT

		ELECTION	Inform	APPROV.	AL	ACCO PAYA	UNTS ABLE BANKS
			Netwo	rk & Topology			
-D&B	-Auto-Bid	-Contract	-Identify	-Integrated	-ERP	–Chart of	-Electronic
Connect'ns –Market –Basket	Cycles –Internet	Lead Client	Required Catalogs	With ERP, Trading Network	Integrated Throughout Company	Accounts Lead Client	Bank Payments
Analysis	Quoting	Accessibility	–3 rd Party Hosting	-Expanded	-EDI/XML	–Electronic Invoices	-Ledger
-Supplier Profiles	–Internet Quoting	-Contract On Line	-Buyerless	Automation	Capability	-EDI/XML	-Taxes
-Industry	Integ. W/Frong	Tool	Options	-Buyerless	–Workflow Enabled	–Workflow	-Multi-Currency
Scoring Sys	End App	–WEB Access	–OBI/XML Capability	–3Kills Matching	-Trading	WEB Enabled	-EURO
-Internet			–Punchout	–Workflow WEB	Network	–Positive &	-WEB Enabled
Links				Enabled		Negative Confirmation	–ERP, SAP, I2
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Exploiting the Leverage of the Web

Type of Supplier	Percent of Spend	Web Value				
Core Trade Dee	80%	Enabling greater collaboration and integration with key partners				
Commodity Trade Bro	15% ad	Building critical mass and extending the reach				
Emerging Trade Nev	5%	 Extending the reach to niche suppliers Leverage existing suppliers 				

Results

Business Metrics	Mid 1990's	2001
Maverick buying	30%	<1%
Acceptable Business Controls	40-50%	+90%
Client Satisfaction	40%	>80%
P.O. Processing Cycle Time	30 days	1 hourly
e-Transaction:		
Invoice	??	9 5%
Hands Free	20%	+80%
Contracts		
Cycle Time	6-12 months	30 days
Length	40 (+) pages	6 pages
Ledger Miscodes	>30%	5%
Suppliers Connected via Web	0	27,000
Savings via Web	0	\$330M

Combinatorial Auctions: The Transportation Example

Transportation Procurement Is Different

 Controlling economics: economies of scope, not only scale
 There are many dimensions to transportation services
 Forecasting transportation is difficult
 Complex administration

Annual Procurement: What is the Issue?



Current Practice

Information exchange:

- Shippers give aggregated volume estimates (by lane, origin, region, system), based on last year.
- Carriers submit lane rates (per mile or per move).
- Assignment mechanism:
 - Lane-by-lane analysis.
 - Low bid wins.
 - Spreadsheet analysis.



	Carriers								
Lane	Ι	II							
A→B	\$ 500	\$ 525							
B→C	\$ 500	\$ 475							
С→А	\$ 500	\$ 525							
C→B	\$ 475	\$ 500							

Combinatorial Bidding





Packaged Bids



Multi-attribute Procurement

- Transportation service involves more than price (two types of attributes):
- Lane attributes
 - <u>Solution</u>: use "generalized cost" with proper weights for LOS and other attributes in the optimization
- System attributes
 - <u>Solution</u>: introduce constraints reflecting the business rules that one wants to impose

System Constraints

"More than one carrier serving the network."



Users of Conditional Bidding with Optimized Awards



System Requirement Example: Core Carrier Programs

Carrier selection

How to reduce the base from 200 carriers to 10?

Costs and Benefits

How much does it cost to reduce the carrier base?

System Requirement Example: Core Carrier Programs

Lost Opportunity Cost

- Limiting the number of carriers constrains opportunities.
- Result: higher cost solution
- The question: is it worth it?



RITE AID

One of the nation's leading drugstore chains

- Modern store base
- Strong brand
- Modern distribution centers
- Superior pharmacy technology
- 77,000 full and part-time associates
- 3600 stores in 30 states and DC
- \$14.5B at end of FY 2001

RITE AID



The freight involved in this RFP process represented all inbound collect LTL, truckload and inter-modal freight into Rite Aid's distribution centers. (c) Yossi Sheffi, MIT

RITE AID Project Activities & Timeline

Phase	Dates	Date	lul-9	3-Jul	InL-0	-Aug	3-Au	in V-0	in Y-La	-Sep	0-Sep	7-Se	4-Set
1. Data Collection and		2000					~				, ,	~	
Network Validation	7/16 - 7/23												
2. Develop LTL Tariff and Bid													
Lane Structure	7/16 - 7/27												
3. Construct and Configure													
digital bid packages	7/23 - 8/7	8/7											
4. Develop RFP Document	7/16 - 8/8	8/8											
5. Prepare Bid and Hold		_											
Carrier Day Conference	7/11 - 8/9	8/10							1				
6. Carrier Response Period	8/10 - 8/23	8/23											
7. Evaluate Carrier													
Responses	8/24 - 9/4	9/4									6		
8. Conduct Follow-up													
Negotiations	9/4 - 9/10	9/10											1
0 Award Business	0/40 0/04	0/04											
J. Awaru Business	9/10 - 9/21	9/21											
10. Generate Route Guide	9/17 - 9/30	9/30											
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11. Contracts Effective	10/1 -	10/1											

RITE AID The Process



The bidding software is the engine providing the analytical horsepower for optimizing pricing across complex networks. (c) Yossi Sheffi, MIT

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Scenario Summary (Example)

Facility Code Facility Location Number of Lanes Annual Volume	# 422 Cinci 58 2000	2 nnati							
Scenario	Anr	nual Spend	Sa E	avings from Baseline(\$)	Savings from Baseline (%)	De Lea	elta above ast Cost (\$)	Delta above Least Cost (%)	Lane Coverage
Baseline	\$	1,810,208							
Least Cost Scenario	\$	1,300,132	\$	510,076	28.2%	\$	-	0.0%	100%
Incumbent Carriers	\$	1,703,818	\$	106,390	5.9%	\$	403,686	31.0%	100%
Carrier "A" Sole Source	\$	1,368,801	\$	441,407	24.4%	\$	68,669	5.3%	100%
Carrier "B" Sole Source	\$	1,379,123	\$	431,085	23.8%	\$	78,991	6.1%	100%

The "Baseline" is pre-defined prior to the bid process

- The "Least Cost Scenario" is simply the least-cost combination of rates, which is seldom implementable entirely, which leads to:
- Analysis of "Incumbent Carriers" and then to other pre-defined alternatives
- Other considerations include lane coverage capability, past service history, and other qualitative factors
- The final scenario is run to create a solution which is both cost effective and operationally feasible

RITE AID

Realized Benefits

Reduced freight costs for inbound transportation

- LTL savings exceeded 10%
- TL/ Intermodal savings exceeded 7%
- Leveraged volume from prepaid to collect conversion project
- Holistic bid involving current and new carriers
- Standardize and simplify administrative functions and procedures
 - Standardized Contracts format and terms
 - Selected one standard LTL Tariff
 - Standardized tiered FAK structure
 - Standardized accessorial charges

Enhance service

- 3 of 4 LTL successful carriers were incumbent providers with a history of strong service with Rite Aid
- Largest Incumbent Truckload and Intermodal providers with strong service records were retained
- Benefits tracking process was developed to track project savings

Lessons

Transportation is Different

Optimization-based Conditional Bidding

- Strong economies of scope (requires conditional bidding).
- Multi-attribute evaluation process (requires generalized "costs" and system constraints).
- A difficult forecasting problem (nonbinding contracts).
- A burdensome administrative challenge (requires a single round process).

- Allows carriers to achieve better economics.
- LOS can be handled rigorously.
- External conditions can be incorporated.

- Allows for special forecasting methods.
- Allows one-round process preferred to multiple rounds (but requires optimization).
- Automated administrative process.

Lessons

Need for a contract-augmenting procedure Need for tender-rejection management Replace "dialing for diesels" Need for TMS that can execute sophisticated bid results (e.g., Surge pricing) Some conditional bid results are surprising Problems with Carrier participation: Complicated Actual awards Timing

Any Questions?

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