

Rebekah Paulson

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Senior Financial Analyst with 12+ years of experience - adding value to diverse manufacturing companies. Knowledgeable in budgeting, forecasting, month-end procedures while implementing improved processes. Adept at business partnering across multi-functional management groups, building and contributing to efficient, expert finance teams.

Work Experience

Senior Financial Analyst

Conagra Brands - Troy, OH

April 2019 to Present

- Supported 2 Conagra food processing plants for 5 months during Finance Managers absence
- Analyzed costs, expenses and variances
- Implemented/facilitated many workstreams including a cost reduction workstream which resulted in \$1.6M savings over the annual target
- Implemented and facilitated education to functional management across the plant resulting in a greater understanding of variances, losses and ability to improve budgeting
- Currently in the process of executing budgeting at a functional level, rather than a plant level
- Pursued invoicing/contracting oversights that resulted in over \$200K in refunds within one year
- Proficient ZLA Pillar Lead - Accustomed to working with other Manufacturing Pillar Leads and Teams
- Adept at month-end procedures and periodic financial reporting
- Provided critical financial information to key stakeholders within and outside of plant to support strategic business decisions

Financial Analyst

Speedway - Enon, OH

December 2013 to April 2019

- Contributed to Divisional and Corporate forecasting/reporting/planning
- Analyzed expenses and variances in cost centers and store divisions within the company
- Generated an efficient method of analyzing the lowest cost selling price in states that initiate a "below cost" fuel law
- Researched and reported sales of specific merchandise for key stakeholders that made marketing decisions
- Provided information for Corporate monthly letters
- Aided in setting store manager bonus goals

Financial Analyst

ACCO Brands (Formerly MeadWestvaco) - Kettering, OH

August 2011 to December 2013

- Contributed to Corporate Reporting

- Supported various functional areas with forecasting/reporting/planning
- Forecasted on a monthly, quarterly, annual basis
- Aided in business planning process at macro and micro levels
- Analyzed spend in cost centers and capital projects
- Assisted in integration projects and processes during merger process

Account Analyst Intern

NewPage Corp. - Miamisburg, OH

June 2010 to September 2010

- Analyzed customer accounts
- Collected on past due customer accounts
- Developed a new streamlined process for filing personal property taxes in multiple states within 60 days, working with a team using a Rapid Lean Six Sigma system
- Researched and Problem Solved to improve invoicing system
- Updated and Built training manuals for Credit, Collections, and Rebate Department

Education

Bachelor of Science in Business

Raj Soin College of Business, Wright State University - Dayton, OH

June 2011

Skills

- SAP
- Microsoft Office (Excel, Word, PowerPoint, Access)
- Financial Analysis
- Forecasting
- Journal Entries
- Account Analysis
- Analysis skills
- Financial planning
- FP&A
- ERP Systems

Certifications and Licenses

Certified Management Accountant