

Rick Henson

Planning Manager at Apple Inc.

Summary

Supply chain & operations manager with broad experience in the computer and consumer goods industries. Experienced in OEM and commodity management, contract negotiations, supply & demand planning, cost management and logistics. Extensive international experience including job assignments in Japan, Singapore and Taiwan. Specialties: C.P.M. (Certified Purchasing Manager), conversational Japanese fluency.

Experience

Supply Demand Planning Manager at Apple Inc.

May 2011 - Present (4 years 8 months)

Director, Supply Chain Management at Let's Gel, Inc.

April 2009 - May 2011 (2 years 2 months)

Director, Supply Chain Management at Alienware

August 2006 - April 2009 (2 years 9 months)

Procurement Manager at Dell, Inc.

1997 - August 2006 (9 years)

Procurement Manager at Texas Instruments

1995 - 1997 (2 years)

Manufacturing Engineer at Texas Instruments

1991 - 1995 (4 years)

Skills & Expertise

Contract Negotiation

Supply Chain Management

Process Improvement

Supply Chain Optimization

Leadership

Change Management

Cross-functional Team Leadership

Supply Chain

Program Management

Sourcing

MRP

Logistics
Reverse Logistics
Strategic Sourcing
Materials Management
Supply Management
Project Management
Procurement
Product Marketing
Lean Manufacturing
Negotiation
Supplier Development
Pricing
Outsourcing
Six Sigma
Team Building
Continuous Improvement
Global Sourcing
Supplier Evaluation
Management
Purchasing
Demand Planning
Manufacturing
Vendor Management
SAP
Strategy
Product Development
Business Process Improvement
ERP
Operations Management
Inventory Management
Forecasting
Demand Forecasting
Operational Excellence
Production Planning
Contract Manufacturing
Kaizen
Process Engineering
Value Stream Mapping
Product Management

Education

The University of Texas at Dallas

M.S., Engineering Science, 1991 - 1994

University of Missouri-Columbia

B.S., Industrial Engineering, 1986 - 1991

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4 people have recommended Rick

"It was pleasure working with Rick during my stay at Alienware (Dell). We worked together on quite a few projects and I always found him very process oriented, strategically focused and motivated individual. He has great ability to drive suppliers, partners and ODMs relationship and maintain great relations with all members in cross functional groups to achieve common business goal. His knowledge about computer industry especially in the context of supply chain business matters is phenomenal. I highly recommend Rick."

— **Asif R.**, worked with Rick at Alienware

"Rick has been a huge help to our business since joining us. He has taken on a huge workload and has succeeded above and beyond expectations. He puts forth maximum effort in driving the goals of the business and is an overall great individual to work with. I strongly recommend Rick."

— **Frank A.**, managed Rick indirectly at Alienware

"Rick is a very personable, friendly and down to earth individual. He holds high integrity and values. Rick believes in open and honest communication and treats people with respect. Rick's supply chain knowledge and multinational experience are critical to any company's success in today's global economy."

— **Pete P.**, was a consultant or contractor to Rick at Alienware

"I have worked with Rick for over 10 years - in Japan, the US and in Singapore. Rick has deep experience in managing some of Dell's largest and most influential suppliers. His organisational skills are awesome. I would strongly recommend him as a Procurement and Supplier Relationship Leader."

— **Breffni O.**, worked directly with Rick at Dell, Inc.

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