A Quality Organization for the Systems Enterprise

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Greetings and Introduction



Overview

GOAL:

Share a few Lessons Learned in establishing a Quality Organization for a Systems Enterprise

- **TOPICS:**
 - The Story
 - The Environment
 - The Need(s)
 - The Structure
 - The Operation
 - The Results



The Story

Once upon a time, there was a Systems Organization poised for rapid growth...

- Imminent acquisition of a significantly larger organization
- Need for a flexible and scalable Quality Organization
 - Attuned to Business Needs
 - A key player in integration of the growing organization
 - Dedicated to Customer Advocacy
- Senior Management Vision:

An Organization that is accountable for 'Quality and then some...'



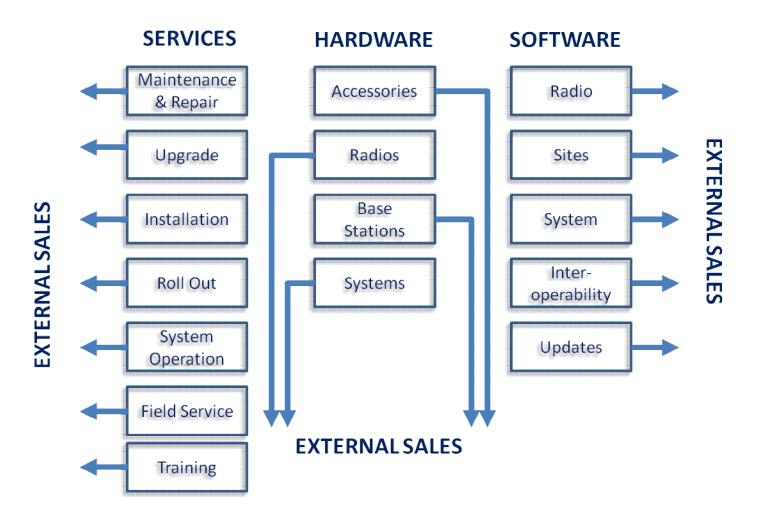
The Business Environment

The Business: Mission Critical Wireless Telecommunications

- Public Safety, Transportation, Transport, Security
- National, State, and Local Governments and DoD
- Products, Services, Software, Systems
- Small installations through major, multi-year roll out projects
- Global footprint
- Significant regulatory agency interaction (Domestic and Foreign)



The Business Environment (continued)



Products and services are both internally integrated, and are also offered for external sale

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The Organizational Environment

- Business Segment of a Larger Parent Corporation:
 - Traditional Manufacturing
 - "Close oversight" of Segment operations
- Cultural differences among sites:
 - Regional / Global
 - Manufacturing and Production / Development and Engineering
- Many heritage practices imbedded in the organizational structure



Overall Approach to Organizational Design

- Opportunity to evaluate the Business needs that the Quality Organization must fill
- Complex Business & Organizational Environment
- Requirement for flexibility for future growth

Use some Systems Thinking:

- Assess validity of current mental models
- Go back to basics to establish essential requirements
- Focus on relationships among functions
- Envision outcomes



What are the **Business** Needs ??

A Business exists to <u>make a profit</u> by <u>satisfying</u> Customer needs.

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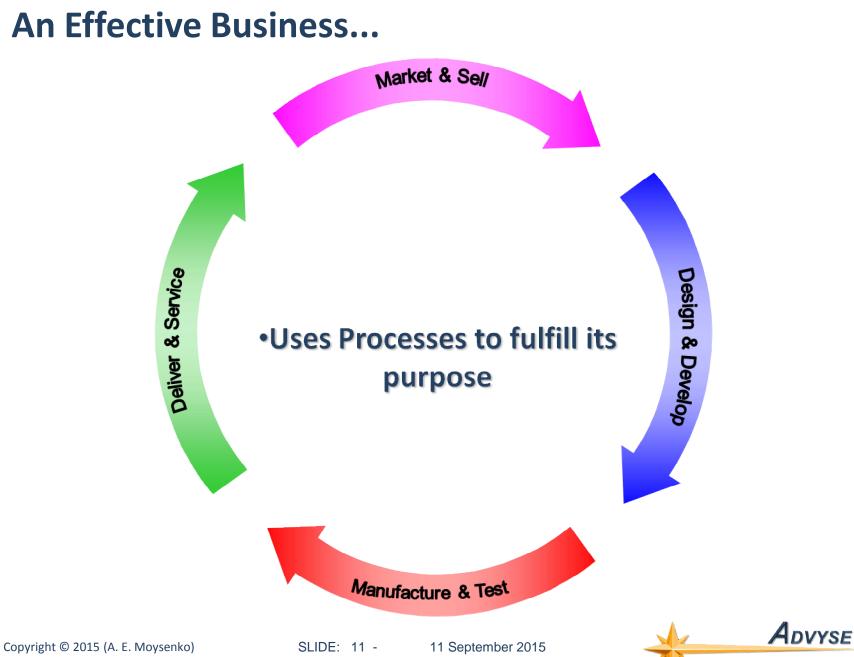


And Customer Needs are Satisfied by Products

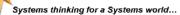
- For every Product sold, there are at least <u>two</u> customers:
 - The External Customer who expects:
 - Capability, dependability, suitability
 - Supportability, consistency
 - On-time delivery
 - The Internal Customer who expects:
 - OI & Cash
 - On-time delivery of OI & Cash

Product Integrity refers to the product's ability to fulfill customer expectations on all levels. (K. B. Clark, Harvard)

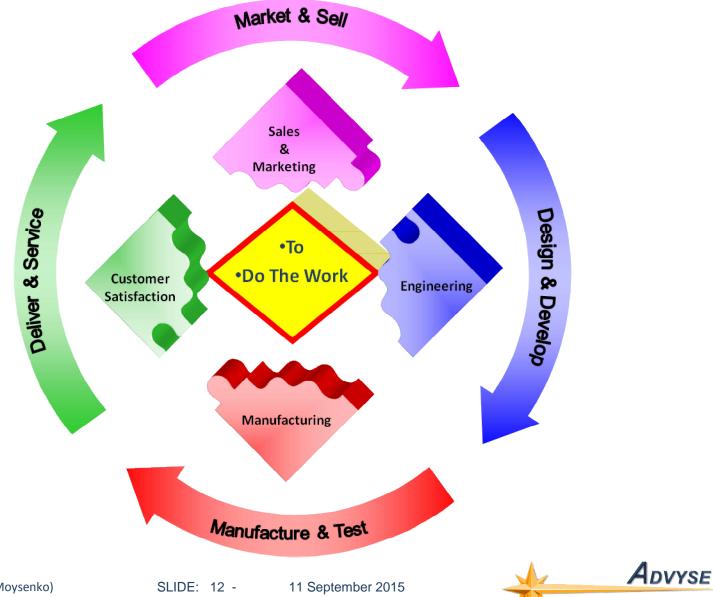


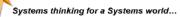


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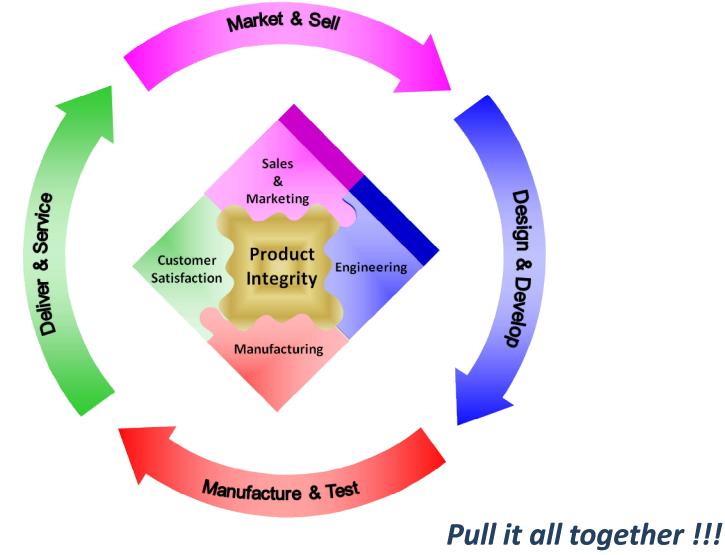


And Builds Functional Organizations...

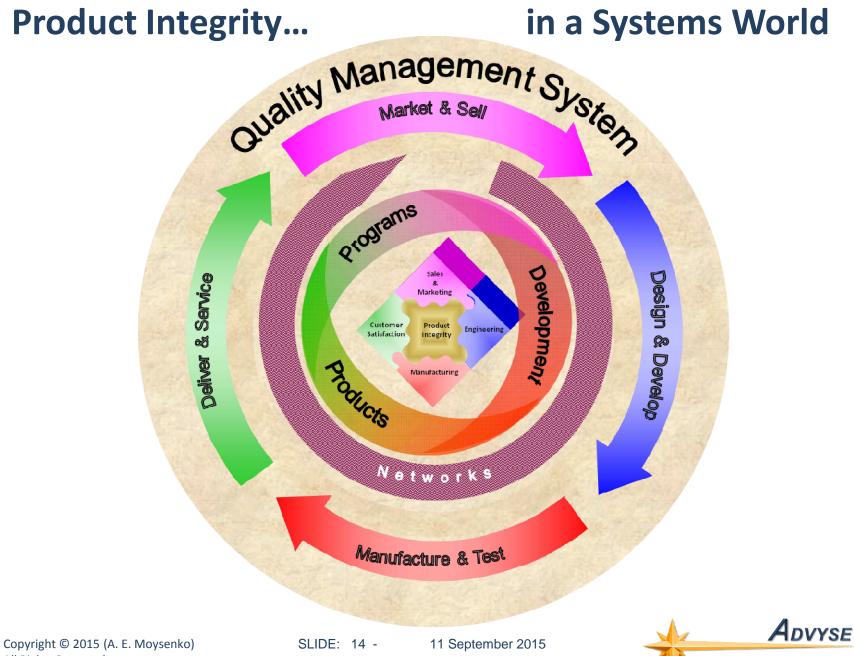


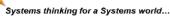


But something's gotta....

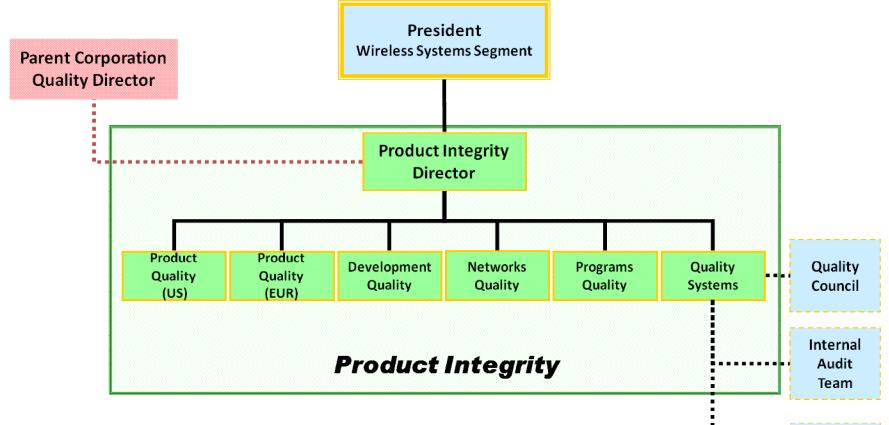


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Product Integrity Organization

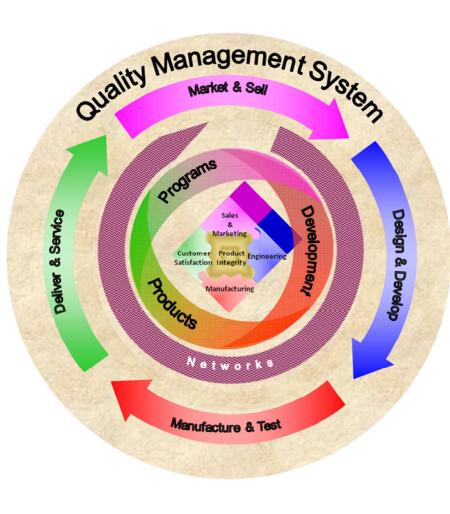


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Product Integrity in a Systems World



Development Quality:

- Hardware Development
- Software Development
- System Development

Products Quality:

- Subscriber Equipment (Radios, etc.)
- Infrastructure (Basestations, etc.)
- System Assembly, Integration and Test
- Deployment and Acceptance Testing

Programs Quality:

- Strategic Program Quality Planning
- Programmatic Quality
- **Quality Management System:**
 - ISO 9001:2000 Compliance
 - Standards Compliance
 - Quality Council Leadership
 - Regulatory Compliance Oversight

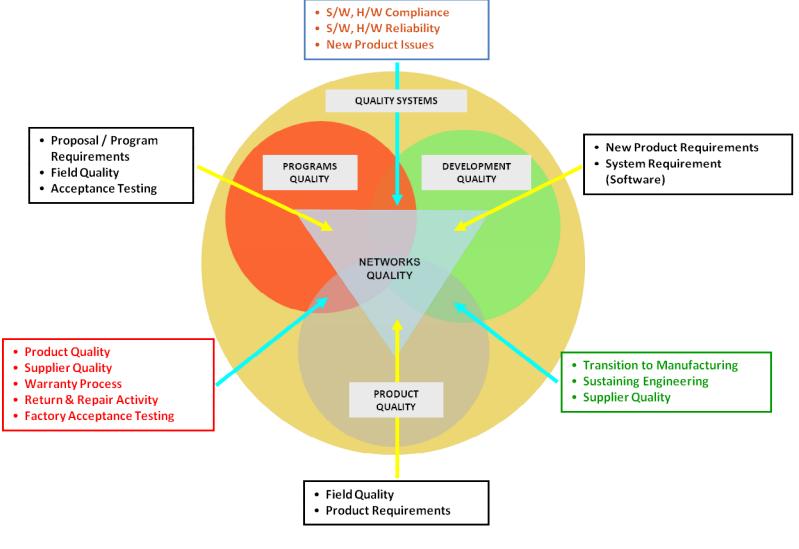
Networks Quality

- Requirements Management
- Systems / Networks Proposals
- Systems / Networks Operations and Maintenance

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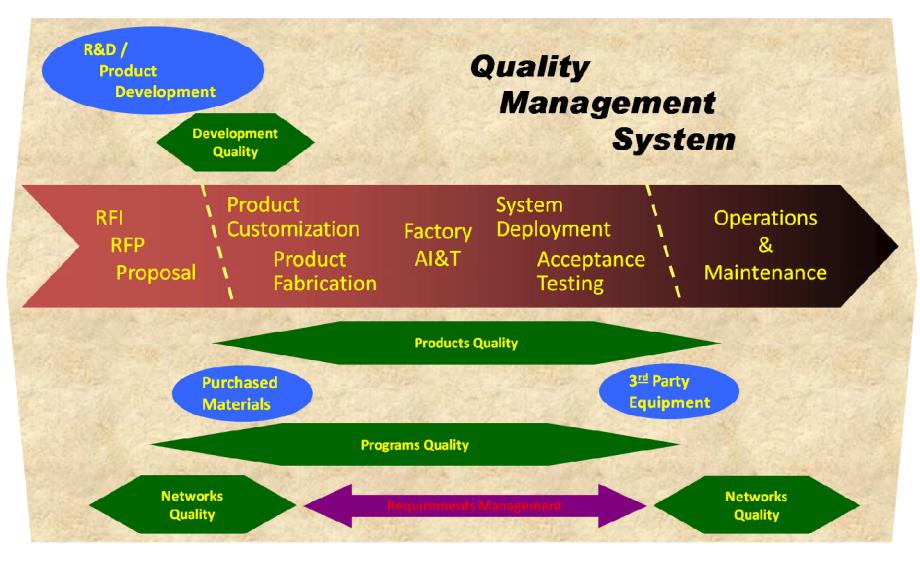
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Product Integrity Has Overlapping Accountabilities





Product Integrity and the Systems Business



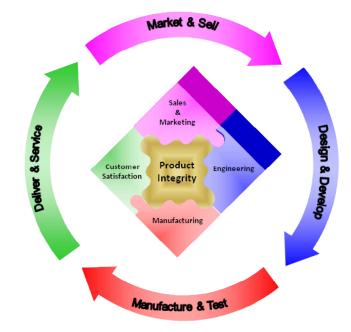
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Product Integrity Vision

WSS Product Integrity is the source for process methods, tools, guidance, and oversight for achieving customer delight with increasing profitability.



Or to put it another way: We are the key resource for Wireless Systems to provide its customers with better products, cheaper, and faster !!!

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"Better, Cheaper, Faster..."

| | MEASURE | PRIMARY CUSTOMER |
|-----------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Better | Increased Sales | External |
| "Cheaper" | Increased EBIT | Internal |
| Faster | On-Time Delivery | External |
| | Increased Cash | Internal |

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Product Integrity Mission

- IDENTIFY
- CLARIFY

• SIMPLIFY

• **RECTIFY**

Defects **Opportunities for Improvement** Issues Requirements **Objectives Plans Documentation Solutions Corrective actions Process Improvements Defect Avoidance Measures**

Our role is to make it easier for everyone to do things the right way

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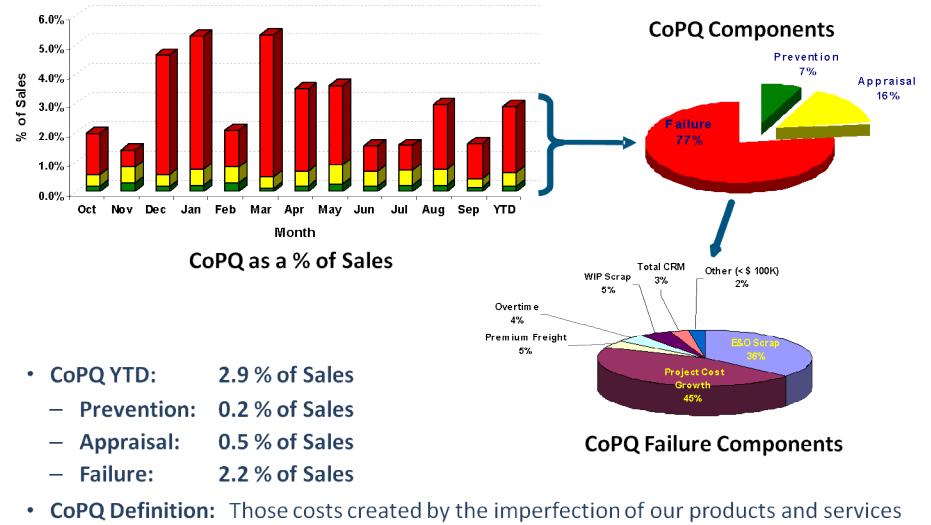
Product Integrity & "Classical" Quality Functions



Systems thinking for a Systems world...

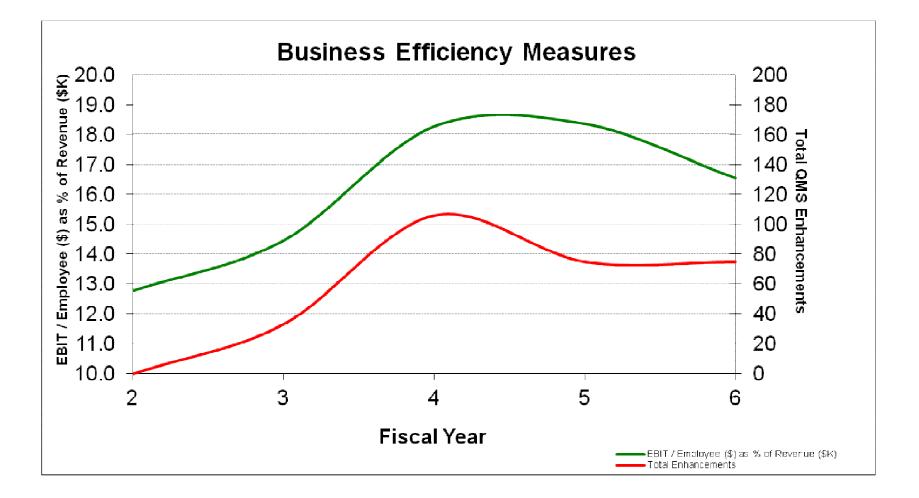
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Cost of Poor Quality (CoPQ)





Overall Business Improvement Measures



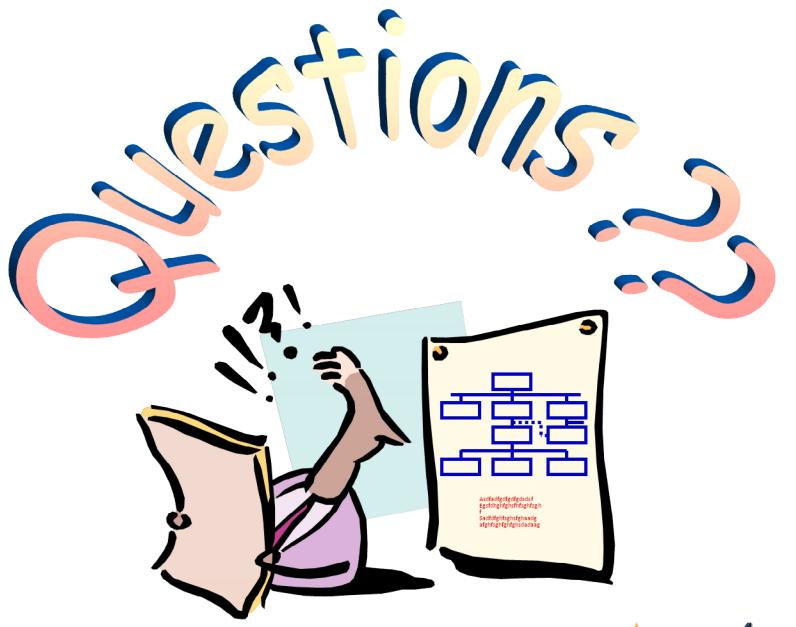


Summary

The Product Integrity Organization:

- Met the Quality needs of a growing Systems Business while supporting an existing Products Business
- Drove continual improvement in Profitability and Customer Satisfaction
- Provided "Classical" Quality support
- Permitted integration of Global facilities under a single ISO 9001 certified Quality Management System
- Became a contributing member of the Senior Management by establishing Business related metrics
- And.....Made it easier to do things right





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