

Precision Components International Achieves UTC Supplier Gold

Precision Components International (PCI) was recently awarded UTC Supplier Gold. With this certification, Pratt & Whitney has now certified 11 of UTC's 13 Supplier Gold recipients.

"PCI is clearly committed to utilizing lean principles, and the proof is in their results. They are one of our best performing suppliers," said Michele Burnat, director, Operations - Next Generation Product Family. "PCI continuously delivers on time with exceptional quality. Their continuous improvement focus on operational performance has also enabled them to shorten lead times, increasing their flexibility and allowing them to better support our customers' requirements."

"PCI has incorporated the best of the lean and quality tools into their 'Lean Sigma' program. Their commitment to utilizing these tools and willingness to work closely with the Pratt & Whitney team has enabled them to demonstrate superior results for our customers. They are a best-in-class airfoil supplier," said Catherine Vagt, Continuous Improvement manager for the P&W Global Supply Chain.



The Precision Components International Leadership Team

PCI has demonstrated the benefits of lean by eliminating waste and continually improving overall performance, delighting multiple Pratt & Whitney module center customers. Benefits include:

- Near perfect quality at 15 DPPM (defective parts per million) for past 12 months.
- On-time delivery performance above 95 percent for the past 12 months while delivering in excess of 530,000 pieces of hardware.
- MFA customer satisfaction score of 6.48 out of 7.0
- Exceeded the lean threshold requirement of 350 with an overall score of 446

PCI's Accomplishments:

- Dedicated resources committed to implementing Lean
- Engagement of entire workforce in Lean activities
- One of America's safest companies by Occupational Hazards Magazine
- Georgia Governor's Award for EH&S Excellence for the sixth straight year
- National Safety Council Million Work Hours Award & Perfect Record Award

PCI's Best Practices:

- Daily management walk through to discuss opportunities and challenges
- Daily Cpk (process capability index) and MRB (materials review board) reviews
- Weekly safety committee meetings
- Weekly innovation status reviews
- One 6S event per week per cell
- Monthly MCAB (manufacturing corrective action board) and escape prevention team meetings
- Quarterly leadership development training

PCI supports Pratt & Whitney's PW4000, PW2000, PW6000, GP7000, F100 and JT8D/GG8 aerospace engine and land-based programs respectively.

"PCI indeed deserves the honor of Supplier Gold. They have proven to be a world class supplier, and can be considered to be the benchmark, and model, for all other airfoil suppliers," said John Storta, buyer for the International Parts Center. "This is a result of the combined commitment of Pratt & Whitney, PCI's management and the entire PCI workforce."