

# Latest Developments in Supply Chain and Logistics

#### The Changing Face of the Logistics Manager

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# Agenda

- Sourcing where it starts
- Transport and logistics constraints
- Supply chain management imperatives
- Skills requirements
- Discussion



### **Sourcing – where it starts**

### Extended supply chain visibility, management



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#### **Asian External Growth**

**Exports from Selected Low-Cost Countries** 



Source: Economist Intelligence Unit; growth rates based on 1998-2009.

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#### **Transport and logistics constraints**

#### **U.S. Bottlenecks: Long-Term View**

#### **Congestion Points, 2020, with Selected Remediation Measures**



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#### **Secondary Ports & Modes**

#### **U.S**.

- Northern Pacific
- All-water via Panama Canal
- Trans-shipment via "feeder" port

#### Asia

- Shanghai vs. Hong Kong
- Inland vs. "waterfront"



#### **Inland Ports on the Yangtse River**

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#### **Fuel prices and surcharges**

Weighted Average World Oil Spot Prices 1989-2007





### **Budgets are off; variance is increasing**

- Expense: 50% are over-budget, 62% worsening
- Capital: 60% are over-budget, 73% worsening



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#### The planning method makes a difference

#### Effectiveness, by Method

% Savings Benchmark

% Rating it Effective or Very Effective

Partner with core suppliers Diversify supplier base Buy in advance directly Apply confidence levels Follow consultant recommendations Reserve capacity with key suppliers Simulate optimal strategy Buy options or futures Use a flexible budget Use a panel of experts





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# **SCM Imperatives**

# **Imperatives for 2007**

- 1. Leverage Asian sourcing opportunities
- 2. Actively manage fuel expenditures
- 3. Make "e-freight" a reality
- 4. Decide to lead (or follow) in RFID
- 5. Stay lean despite delays and congestion



### Leverage Asian sourcing

- 18% savings on largest categories
- 70% increase in sourcing by 2011 for some
- China twice as attractive as other countries



**Country Attractiveness as a Sourcing Platform in 2011** 

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### **Actively manage fuel expenditures**

 10-100% savings from actively managing fuel spend

**Energy Costs Under Alternative Buying Strategies**, October 2005 - November 2006

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# Make "e-freight" a reality

| Supply Chain   | Logistics IT   | Applications  |
|--|--|---|
| Trends   | Requirements   | Checklist   |
| <ul> <li>Customer Interaction</li> <li>Value-Added Services</li> <li>Global Networks</li> <li>Supply Chain Security</li> <li>Data Exchange</li> <li>Wireless Transmission</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Driver Communication</li> <li>Vehicle Tracking</li> <li>Telecom Network<br/>Infrastructure</li> <li>Call Center/Customer<br/>Support</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Communications<br/>Equipment</li> <li>VPN Security</li> <li>VOIP</li> <li>Click to talk</li> <li>Mobile Solutions</li> <li>Call Center Management</li> <li>Network Management</li> </ul> |





# **Decide to lead or follow in RFID**

- ROI: -38% to 107% in 161 case studies
- 153% industry growth by 2010
- Fertile ground for some applications

**Range of Potential RFID Applications and Benefits** 

| Application      | Benefit               | Financial Metric  |
|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Track Equipment  | Utilization ↑         | ROA ↑             |
| Track Inventory  | Turns ↑               | Working Capital ↑ |
| Deploy Labor     | <b>Productivity</b> ↑ | Profits ↑         |
| Track Production | Cycle time ↓          | Revenues ↑        |
| Track Devices    | Availability ↑        | Performance ↑     |
| Monitor Access   | Violations ↓          | Claims/damages ↓  |
| Speed X-Actions  | Throughput ↑          | Revenues ↑        |

Source: Boston Logistic



### Stay lean despite delays and congestion

- Congestion accounts for 34% of recent increase in inventories
- Postponement, dynamic routing strategies



Logistics Cost as a Percent of GDP

Source: Rosalyn Wilson/CSCMP State of Logistics Report, Boston Logistic



# **Skills Requirements**

# **Acquiring New Skill Sets**

"What are the greatest challenges to achieving maximum efficiency within your company's purchasing practices?"

Applicants must possess...

- Leadership
- Creativity
- Aggressiveness
- Financial acumen
- Problem-solving skills
- Drive for results

Need not apply:

- Lifetime purchasing career
- Individual contributors
- Win-lose negotiators



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# Thank you!

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