

Summary

Collaborative business professional with 18+ years of experience in transportation dispatch management, drug and alcohol regulation compliance and logistics. Utilizes available resources and input from colleagues to determine changes needed to promote opportunities and reduce challenges in developing new products and services. Displays fresh insight and flexibility when evaluating new business philosophies and ideas using common sense applications to reach real-world conclusions. Provides leadership to team members by embracing their strengths and weaknesses to ensure a win-win outcome.

Professional Experience

Senior Manager Mechanical Operations - Locomotive Logistics

2012 - 2018

Union Pacific Railroad, Omaha, NE

Coordinated with field and dispatch management to ensure locomotives are sent to correct shop for modifications including mechanical, electrical and fuel systems to resolve issues and make improvements. Cooperated with vendors to ensure repairs were completed in a timely manner for maximum operating efficiency and cost effectiveness. Collaborated with information technology team to create a proprietary database to track repairs from incident date to completion.

- Facilitated locomotive availability for modification, overhaul programs and electrical installations to keep projects on track and within budget.
- Balanced workload when shop capability matrix was exceeded by communicating with shop management concerning their personnel and shop space allocations to get locomotives into production to reduce downtime.
- Utilized proprietary database to expedite repairs for damaged units including: obtaining estimates of damage, locating repair facilities, working with contract and labor relations departments to report costs to federal government for regulation purposes.
- Ensured work performed at contract shops met company quality standards for parts and workmanship.

Manager, Drug and Alcohol Testing

2007 - 2012

Managed 300+ contractors to perform 60,000+ drug and alcohol tests annually on a 24-hour basis. Conducted onsite testing, undercover audits (to ensure compliance with regulations) and taught multiple classes including Federal Railroad Administration and Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration regulations. Converted printed materials into electronic training saving more than \$3,000 per year.

- Maintained electronic and paper reports and personnel documents to provide company managers, government agencies, affected employees, and union leaders expert advice on positive test results to support special witnesses and managers in drug and alcohol-related investigations.
- Led team of developers for federally mandated, interactive, on-time, company-wide drug and alcohol training, with integrated videos, federal rules and regulations, and company policy. Taught all employees regulations to ensure company was in compliance.
- Audited invoices for payment, including, invoices from collection companies, hospitals, drug testing laboratory and medical review office.

Train Dispatcher

2000 - 2007

Managed hundreds of employees and interacted with senior and field management regarding multiple train movements on more than 1,000 miles of track within a specific territory. Complied with General Code of Operating Rules and communicated activities to employees within the company and other railroads to move customer freight in a safe and efficient manner.

- Monitored and adjusted computer-aided dispatching auto-routing system overseeing 1,000+ miles of track and conditions affecting movements such as weather conditions, train crew availability, engine and equipment availability, track warrants/bulletins, general orders, timetables, track and speed restrictions and train classifications to assure a safe and coordinated response to unplanned events and emergency situations.
- Interacted with both senior and field management regarding train movements, General Code of Operating Rules compliance, issuing bulletins and warrants, and communicating such authorizations to train crews, track car drivers and others to safely and efficiently move customer freight.
- Communicated via telephone, radio or computer with train crews, yard supervisory personnel, Maintenance of Way personnel regarding train movements, instructions and orders relative to Hours-of-Service requirements, hazardous materials, documented train movements and reporting of rule violations.

Education

B.S., Atmospheric Sciences and Meteorology

Creighton University, Omaha, NE

Alpha Phi Omega, National Community Service Fraternity