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**Benchmarking Best Practices In Supply Chain Management** 

# Making the Business Case

#### How Environmental, Health and Safety (EHS) and Corporate Responsibility (CR) Generate Supply Chain Value

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### Examples of Emerging Supply Chain Management Issues

- Globalization of enterprises
- Outsourcing of key functions
- Collaboration and partnering
- Corporate social responsibility
- Life cycle design of products
- Reverse logistics & take-back
- Time-sensitive order fulfillment
- Advanced information technology
- Supply chain security and continuity

Complexity

Accountability

Opportunity

**Vulnerability** 

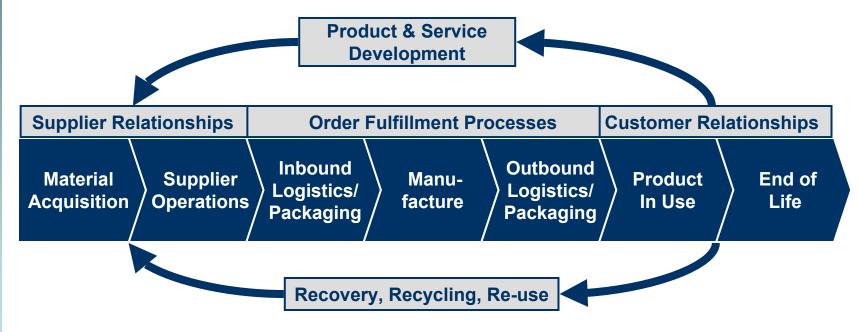


## **Contemporary Definition of Supply Chain Management**

"Supply chain management is the integration of key **business processes** from end user through original suppliers, providing products, services, and information that add value for customers and other stakeholders."

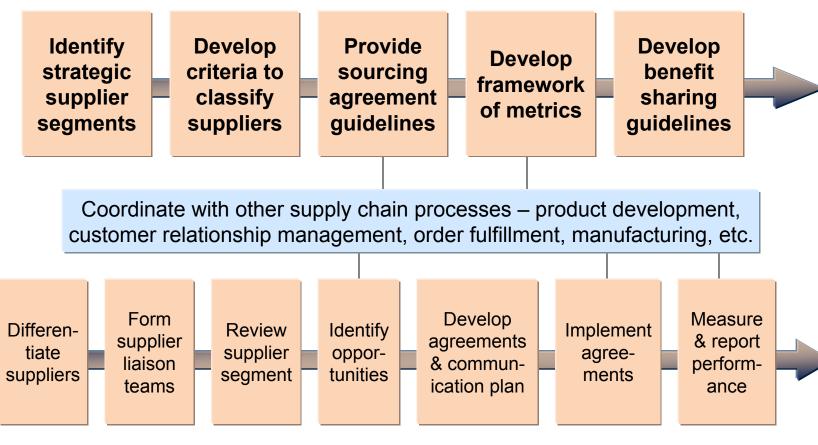
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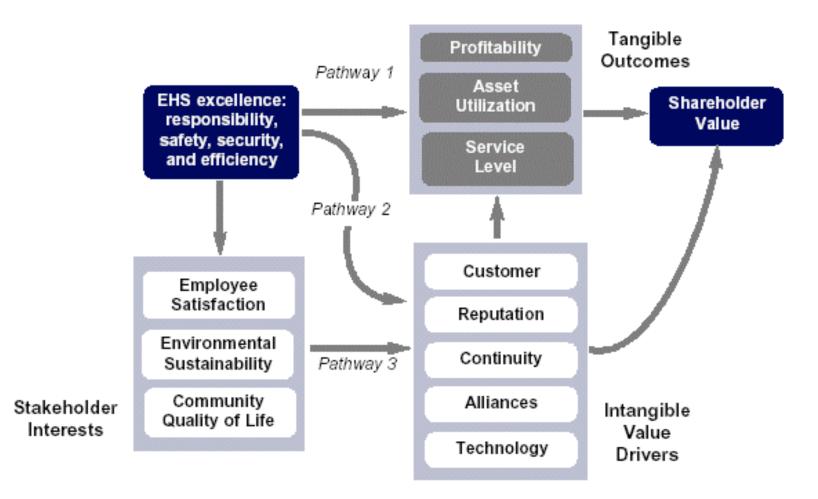
## The Supplier Relationship Management Process

#### **Strategic Sub-Processes**



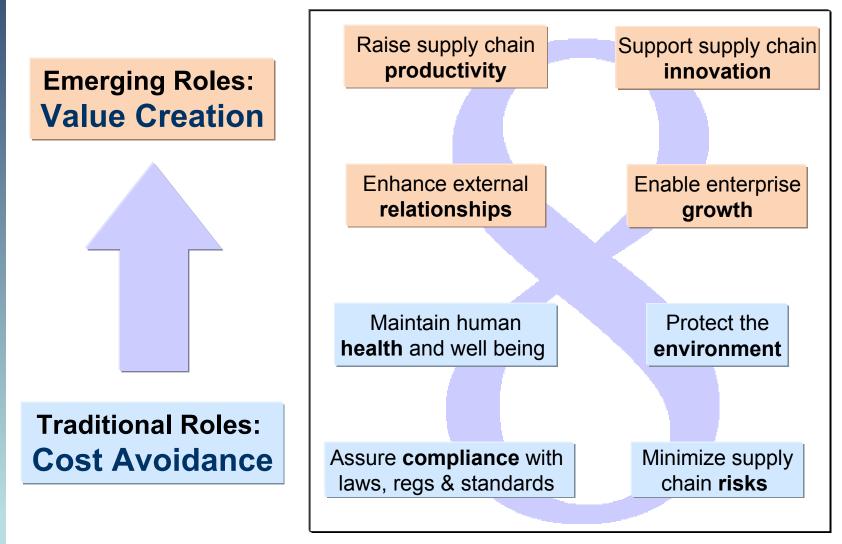
#### **Operational Sub-Processes**

## Three Main Pathways to Shareholder Value Creation



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# **Eight Key EHS/CR Contributions**



# **Overcoming Barriers to EHS Value Creation**

#### **Examples of barriers reported:**

- Higher priorities elsewhere
- Resource limitations
- Doubt about business case
- Institutional inertia and conservatism



- Lack of internal coordination
- Lack of awareness or understanding
- Lack of internal champion

## Lessons Learned: Critical Success Factors

- Speak the language of supply chain management
- Clearly articulate the business case for EHS/CR initiatives
- Emphasize the strategic importance of intangibles (e.g., alliances, reputation)
- Leverage stakeholder dialogue and external collaboration
- Integrate EHS awareness and product life cycle thinking into cross-functional business processes

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CHANGE

# ENVIRONMENTAL EXCELLENCE The New Supply Chain Edge

At industry-leading companies, environmental, health, and safety (EHS) professionals are collaborating with other functions in the organization to enhance shareholder value throughout the supply chain. They are contributing to profitability, supply chain continuity, resource productivity, innovation, and growth. As a new

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VALUE

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dozen years ago, leading manufacturers such as HP began adding environmental criteria to their supplier scorecards, encouraging practices such as recycling and energy conservation. But most supply chain managers tended to view those measures as more of an obstacle—an appeasement tactic for the environmental lobby, in effect—than as something that would add value.

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STRATEGY

Now the approach taken by leading companies is moving beyond the "greening of the supply chain" to a realization that environmental, health, and safety (EHS) factors can significantly bolster business value. EHS managers are joining cross-functional supply chain management (SCM) teams and are contributing to customer retention, revenue generation, cost reduction, and asset utilization. In other words, they are confirming the synergies between environmental excellence and supply chain excellence.

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