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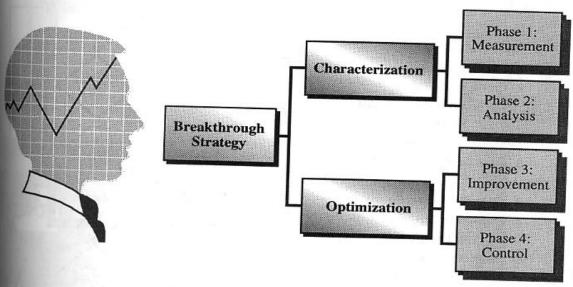
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# The Breakthrough Phases



- the short- and long-term process capability.

  This phase is concerned with selecting one or more product characteristics; i.e., dependent variables, mapping the respective process, making the necessary measurements, recording the results on process "control cards," and estimating the short- and long-term process capability.
- Following this, a gap analysis is often undertaken to identify the common factors of successful performance; i.e., what factors explains best-in-class performance. In some cases, it is necessary to redesign the product and/or process.
- performance characteristics which must be improved to achieve the goal. Once this is done, the characteristics are diagnosed to reveal the major sources of variation. Next, the key process variables are identified by way of statistically designed experiments. For each process variable which proves to be leverage in nature, performance specifications are stablished.
- documented and monitored via statistical process control methods. After a "settling in" period, the process capability would be reassessed. Depending upon the outcomes of such ifollow-on analysis, it may be necessary to revisit one or more of the preceding phases.

## The Breakthrough Roadmap

Six Sigma Breakthrough Strategy



#### Measurement

- 1 Select Key Product
- 2 Create Product Tree
- 3 Define Performance Variables
- 4 Create Process Map
- 5 Measure Performance Variables
- 6 Establish Performance Capability

#### Analysis

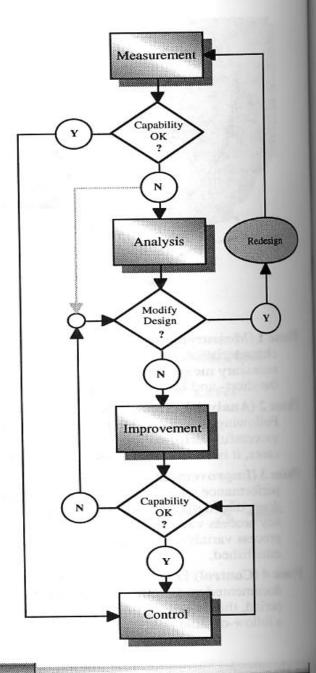
- 7 Select Performance Variable
- 8 Benchmark Performance Metric
- 9 Discover Best-in-Class Performance
- 10 Conduct Gap Analysis
- 11 Identify Success Factors
- 12 Define Performance Goal

#### Improvement

- 13 Select Performance Variable
- 14 Diagnose Variable Performance
- 15 Propose Causal Variables
- 16 Confirm Causal Variables
- 17 Establish Operating Limits
- 18 Verify Performance Improvement

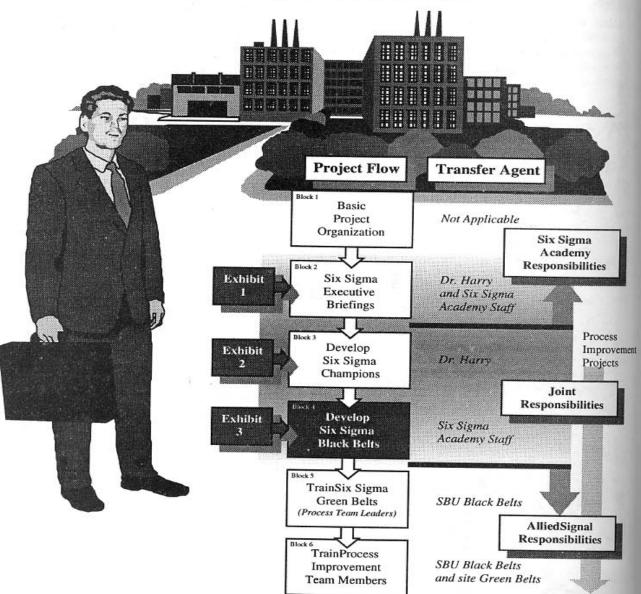
#### Control

- 19 Select Causal Variable
- 20 Define Control System
- 21 Validate Control System
- 22 Implement Control System
- 23 Audit Control System
- 24 Monitor Performance Metrics



## The AlliedSignal Deployment Plan

Six Sigma Black Belts



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# Exhibit 3.1 - Black Belt Certificate

Six Sigma Black Belt Certification Program



### **Exhibit 3.2 - Certification Process**

Six Sigma Black Belt Certification Program

Description: Prior to initiating the certification process, the SBU Six Sigma Champion identifies 25-30 Black Belt Candidates from within the SBU. The intent is to create a relatively homogeneous group of candidates in terms of the organizational structure and geographic site locations. Following this, the Champion meets with the Master Black Belt so as to coordinate the program delivery. The program delivery is divided into 4 instructional sessions, where each session correlates to one of the four phases contained within the Six Sigma Breakthrough Strategy.

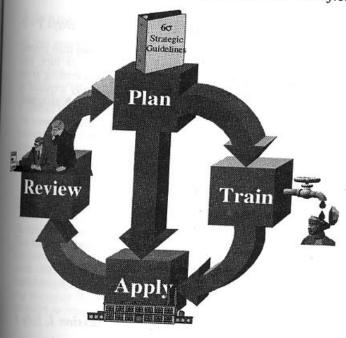
In terms of delivery, each instructional session contains 3 days of classroom activity followed by a 21 day on-the-job (OJT) application experience. During the OJT exercise, the Black Belt Candidates are supported and mentored by a visiting Master Black Belt. Each candidate's OJT results are reviewed and critiqued by the instructor (Master Black Belt), local Six Sigma Champion, and the Candidate's classmates. This is called the "Standard Six Sigma Review." From this perspective, we see that each of the 4 instructional sessions follows the Plan-Train-Apply-Review (PTAR) delivery model.

As should be apparent, the Six Sigma Black Belt Certification Process is founded upon the merits and benefits most commonly associated with a closed-loop feedback system. The terms and definitions related to this process are located in Exhibit 3.3.

	Event 1 2	Cycle • 1	Activity Description Initial Meeting and Planning Session Champion Coordination Meeting	Duration 2 days 1 day
1st Month	3	1	Session 1: Black-Belt Training	3 days
	4	1	On-The-Job Application Exercise	21 days
2nd Month	5	2	Champion Coordination Meeting	1 day
	6	2	Standard Six Sigma Review	1 day
	7	2	Session 2: Black-Belt Training	3 days
	8	2	On-The-Job Application Exercise	21 days
3rd Month	9	3	Champion Coordination Meeting	1 day
	10	3	Standard Six Sigma Review	1 day
	11	3	Session 3: Black-Belt Training	3 days
	12	3	On-The-Job Application Exercise	21 days
4th Month	13	4	Champion Coordination Meeting	1 day
	14	4	Standard Six Sigma Review	1 day
	15	4	Session 4: Black-Belt Training	3 days
	17	•	Contingency	6 days

# Exhibit 3.7 - Training Strategy

Six Sigma Black Belt Certification Program

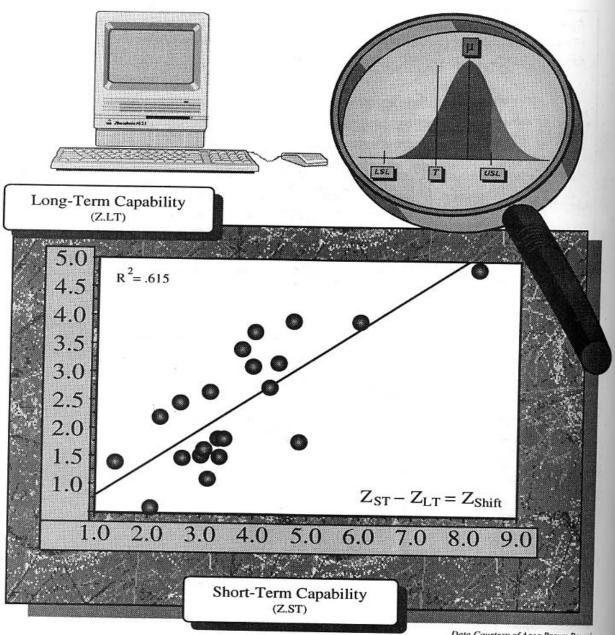


The program delivery follows the Six Sigma Plan-Train-Apply-Review (PTAR) model. As should be apparent, such a model is founded upon the merits and benefits most commonly associated with a closed-loop feedback system.

Event Cycle Activity Description Initial Meeting and Planning Session Champion Coordination Meeting Measurement Session 1: Black-Belt Training On-The-Job Application Exercise Champion Coordination Meeting Phase 2: Standard Six Sigma Review Analysis Session 2: Black-Belt Training On-The-Job Application Exercise Champion Coordination Meeting Phase 3: Standard Six Sigma Review provement Session 3: Black-Belt Training On-The-Job Application Exercise Champion Coordination Meeting Phase 4: Standard Six Sigma Review Control Session 4: Black-Belt Training Contingency



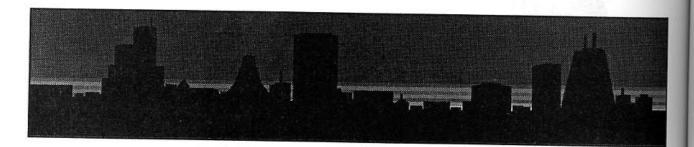
# **Diagnosing Process Performance**



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## **Some Landmark Events**

- "Our Quality Stinks."
- 1980 Corporate Quality Officer named
- Motorola Training Center established
   year, 10x quality improvement goal set
  - Benchmarking revealed 10 x not enough
- 1984 Communications Sector staff meeting
- Communications Sector begins total defect per unit measurement July - Manufactured Products November - Sales Orders
- Chairman changes agenda of customer visits
- 1987 Corporation adopts Six Sigma
  - 4 year, 100x quality improvement, Six Sigma goal set
- 2 year, 10x continuous improvement goal set



## **Nature of the Problem**

Case:

