POLARIS MEP HELPS GLOBAL GLASS POWER INNOVATOR STAY ON TOP

ABOUT ANTAYA, INC. Antaya Technologies Corporation was founded in 1987 when the company introduced materials and processes to control the manufacture and application of on-glass electrical connections. Since that time, the company has expanded to become a leading global supplier of on-glass power and signal connection systems and automated and semi-automated controlled soldering equipment. The company also specializes in custom connections for the solar panel industry, architectural glass, and custom wire harnesses.

THE CHALLENGE. The company needed to achieve IATF 16949:2016 certification in order to continue their uninterrupted service to the automotive industry.

MEP CENTER’S ROLE. Polaris MEP called upon their sister organization from the MEP National Network, CONNSTEP of Connecticut, to provide precise subject matter expertise. Antaya was provided an overview of the IATF 16949:2016 standard; gap analysis report and internal audit of their QMS against the IATF 16949:2016 standard; facilitation to assist Antaya in their transition; and written reports to Antaya’s management of all audit findings and suggestions for improvement, including suggested revisions to documented information as identified. Antaya staff participated in two IATF Leadership Training sessions covering the global, strategic and operational factors behind the revision and changes in the high-level structure of the standard, along with their implications. The team was given an overview of the major changes to the clauses in the standard, emphasizing the Context of the Organization, Risk-Based Thinking and the increased emphasis on the role of leadership. A team self-assessment against specific clauses of Context of the Organization and Risk-Based Thinking was executed as well. An essential part of the project was the execution of an 8-hour workshop for 15 key individuals involved in internal or process audits within the Antaya. The workshop focused on the core tools (APQP, PPAP, FMEA, MSA and SPC) used in the automotive industry to fulfill the requirements of IATF 16949:2016 for auditor competency.

"The comprehensive package that Polaris MEP provided allows us to continue serving the automotive industry and remain focused on our customers’ needs."

- Donna Moschetti, Human Resources Manager