

FOODSCIENCE MAKES HUGE STRIDES WITH VMEC LEAN OFFICE TRAINING

ABOUT FOOD SCIENCE CORPORATION. FoodScience Corporation was founded in 1972 on a passion for discovering natural alternatives for human and animal health solutions. Their mission is to provide exceptional and innovative supplements that support optimal health in people and their companion animals and their dedication to higher integrity; their insistence on superior quality are a reflection of Vermont values which support their efforts to offer superior products. Based in Williston, Vermont, FoodScience employs 175 full-time workers.

THE CHALLENGE. FoodScience realized they needed to maintain and improve on their ability to meet the needs of their customers in the human and animal health industry. They wished to support the growth of the company and sustain quality excellence through the development of people and continue the development of a continuous improvement culture. VMEC was contacted to assist with their initiative.

MEP CENTER'S ROLE. VMEC provided basic training and a facilitated application project utilizing lean concepts for one of FoodScience's production areas with the idea to implement these skills at a future time to the rest of the manufacturing area. The scope of work provided training the participants in lean principles in an office environment with the intention of this opportunity to be part of a larger lean initiative and preparation for a future value stream mapping project.

"We're very pleased to have engaged with VMEC in our lean office efforts. We're grateful to have had their assistance during an important growth period in our company."

-Scott Chapman, Process Engineer

RESULTS



\$2,400,000 in increased sales



\$500,000 in retained sales



\$520,000 in new products



\$725,000 in new investment in plant and equipment

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