



# ***Information Management at Bechtel – A Case Study***

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# Key IM Requirements

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- **Collaboration**
  - ↪ Document submittal and document sharing across multiple engineering organizations and customer
- **Document Management**
  - ↪ Single repository to facilitate construction, client handover and records
  - ↪ Single distribution source for issued project documents
  - ↪ Maintain native file formats and renditions (i.e. PDF)
- **Data Integration**
  - ↪ Capture, integrate and aggregate data from multiple engineering organizations
  - ↪ Feed construction systems with engineering data augmented with procurement data
- **Document and Data Handover**
  - ↪ Substantial EP handover and construction system turnover requirements
  - ↪ Handover schedule derived from mechanical completion
- **Data Quality**
  - ↪ Ensure that EP data is validated so that handover is “flawless”
- **Information Security**
  - ↪ Protect Intellectual Property, Confidential Information, Information Classification, Document and or Drawing copyright protection, Access Controls for multiple proprietary technologies

# Critical IM Tools

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- **Collaboration** - eRoom (Documentum®)
- **EDMS** - InfoWorks (Bechtel/Documentum®)
- **EDMS** - InfoWorks WebTop (Bechtel/Documentum®)
- **Remote Access** - Citrix
- **Data Integration** - DataBroker (Bechtel)
  - ↔ Data exchange amongst EPC toolset
  - ↔ Publish/Subscribe or Push/Pull
  - ↔ Change management, i.e. Add, Change, Delete
  - ↔ Drive to synchronize disparate application datasets
- **Data Integration/Aggregation** - Commodity Staging Tables
  - ↔ Central aggregation of multiple project Engineering data sources
  - ↔ Data hub to facilitate data integration
  - ↔ Augment source Engineering data with Procurement
  - ↔ Tag Registry
- **Spare Parts** -
  - ↔ Spare Parts Information collection tool
- **Reporting** - SQL Server Reporting Services (SSRS)

# Critical IM Processes

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- **Quality assurance**
  - ↳ Audits of documents & databases
  - ↳ Audit early, audit often
  - ↳ Rectify quality issues and alter work process
- **Data collection**
  - ↳ Vendor & manufacturer P&IDs & data sheets (in native format)
  - ↳ Progressive collection / turnover
- **Tag consistency**
- **EPC and Vendor expediting and follow-up**

# ***Key Lessons Learned: Data***

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- **Anticipate diverse and inconsistent source data and mitigate**
- **Agree on semantics and content value early in the process**
- **Consistent application portfolio and standard configurations will not negate a differing work process.**
- **Single data and document repository to facilitate construction, client handover and records**
- **Understand the scale and volume of data and scale up accordingly**
- **Capture, integrate and aggregate data from multiple engineering organizations / sources**
- **Subcontractors need to be engaged early in data driven requirements**

# ***Key Lessons Learned: Organization Structure***

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- **Early engagement between CAPEX, OPEX and EPC organizations**
- **Requires a full-time IM team**
- **Document Management is an integral part of IM team**
- **Functional work process knowledge essential**
- **Establish a IM QA role early**



# ***Information Management Value Proposition***

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***Hitting the Requirements Definition  
“Sweet Spot”***

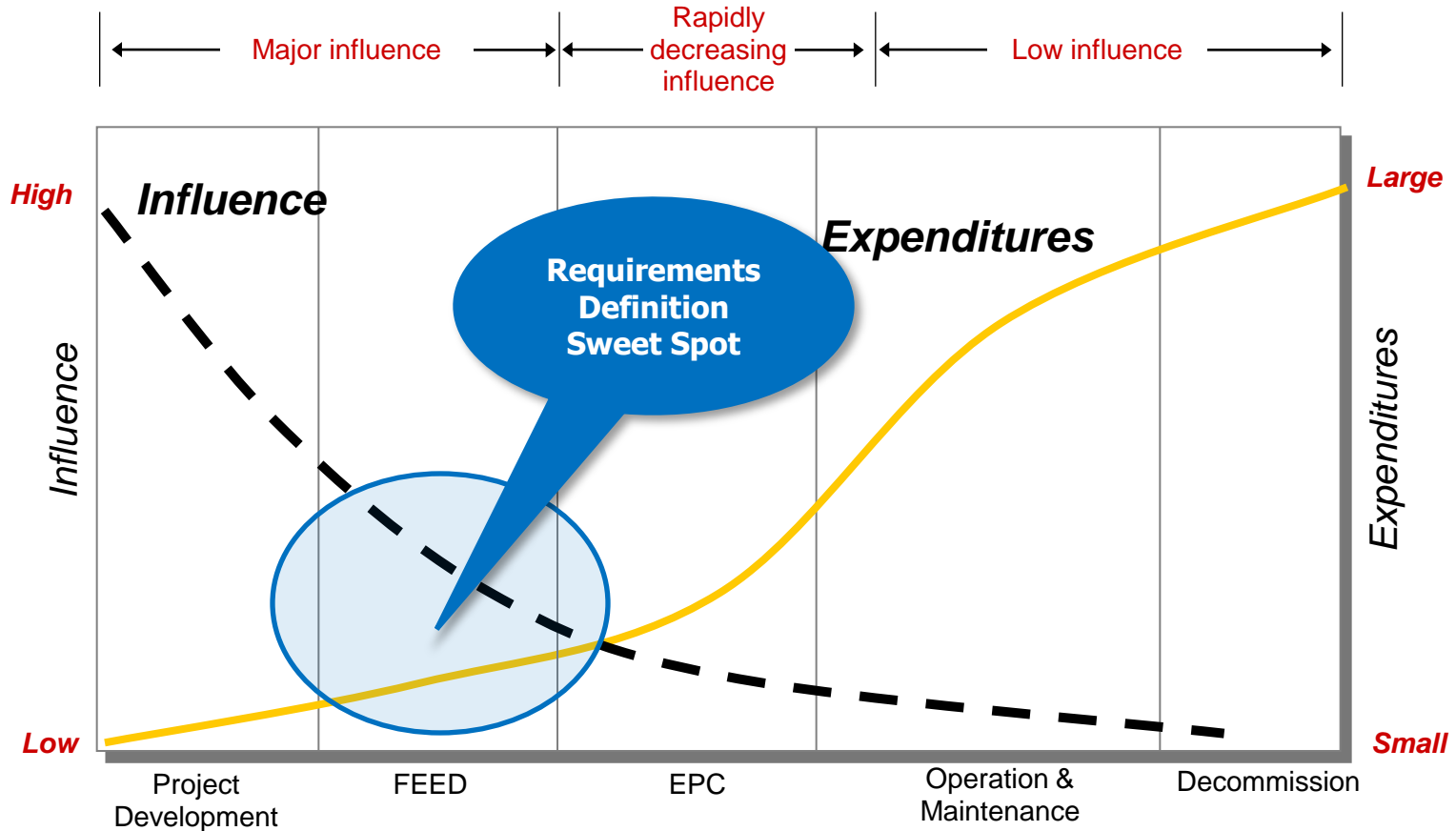
# ***Business Drivers***

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- **Inconsistent internal EPC data/document quality, exchange processes, and multi-function alignment**
- **Lack of early identification of project information requirements and an execution plan to provide information and align across all invested parties (EPC, owner, suppliers, etc.)**
- **Typically no single point of accountability for information management on projects – EPC contractor or customer**
- **Increased project complexity and broader Bechtel and customer requirements for information management, including data/document quality**
- **Increased focus on information management requirements for operational readiness to facilitate startup, operations and maintenance**



# Requirements Sweet Spot



# The Key to Success

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- Mapping customer data and document classes to Bechtel data and document classes – capture for repeat customers and re-use
- Alignment on data and document quality criteria
- Enhance Purchase Order requirements to clearly specify data and document requirements such that it can be easily loaded into applications
- Communicate requirements to the project and assign appropriate QA/QC resources to monitor compliance
- Leverage existing EPC work processes with a key focus on meeting construction needs
- Alignment and agreement with customer on their requirements early in the process and document those agreements so that we can hit the “Requirements Sweet Spot”



# ***Value Proposition - Project***

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- **Enhanced project data visibility and 3D model visualization capability, particularly for construction**
- **Extended data aggregation capability and quality**
- **Improved ability to analyze and review project data**
- **Potential to utilize tools such as SPF for asset data handover**
- **Lowers the risk on meeting customer requirements**
  - ↳ **Better data and document quality**
  - ↳ **Cross-functional alignment deliverables and quality criteria**
- **Early exposure and communication of detailed customer requirements to the project**
- **Exposes risks to execution and allows for mitigating those risk in detailed project execution – factor into bid**
- **Early identification of Project Handover Requirements for inclusion in estimate**

# ***Value Proposition - Engineering***

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- **Early identification of interim and formal issue deliverables to be included in the estimates – better defined scope of work**
- **Better cross-discipline coordination on EPC deliverables**
- **Enable better quality deliverables and less rework based on early identification of requirements**
- **Early incorporation of data and document requirements into supplier Purchase Orders with clearly documented QA/QC criteria for supplier**
- **Early identification of packaged systems details and deliverables (sub component tagging, supplier design documentation, etc.) and incorporation into estimate**

# ***Value Proposition - Procurement***

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- **Better alignment with engineering on data formatting requirements (equipment tagging, etc.)**
- **Exposing differences between estimated quantities and engineered quantities earlier**
- **Enable faster reconciliation of procured quantities with design quantities**
- **More effective use of expediting to ensure supplier compliance with Purchase Order requirements (MR Section 3) with better status and progress reporting**

# ***Value Proposition - Construction***

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- **Better consistency and validation of engineering data as delivered to the construction organization**
- **Use databases such as SPF as viewing tool into design applications and documents in enterprise document management system (InfoWorks) without specialized hardware or software**
- **Real-time access to 3D model**
- **Model visualization based on search results**

# ***Value Proposition - Customer***

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- **Achieve optimal cost and schedule that is driven by high quality data and documents**
- **Support for construction, start-up/commissioning and operations addressed early in design**
- **Meets customer data and document requirements from the beginning leading to minimal data transformation**

# Summary Observations / Directions

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- Information Management is truly cross-functional and necessary to facilitate multi-function alignment on data/document exchange, integration and quality
- Single point of ownership and accountability for information management work processes with focus on data/document quality, data integration, data/document exchange and project handover
- Structured information management organization can operate independently to facilitate and coordinate EPC and owner requirements to improve EPC product delivery
- Emphasis needs to be on project execution performance and information management is a key enabler and a critical success factor as reflected on several recent projects.



# Questions and Comments

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