Supply Chain Cost Control Using Activity-Based Management

Having an accurate assessment of company expenditures is a key to staying in business. Activity-based management (ABM) is the only system that offers the tools to correctly assess the outflow involved in a tightly knit supply chain and enables understanding not only of the total cost of ownership (TCO), but also how these costs should be allocated. Supply Chain Cost Control Using Activity-Based Management discusses the competitive advantage that cost analysis and management can bring to companies within a supply chain. Addressing a number of strategies to evaluate the total cost inherent in a customer-supplier relationship, this book uses TCO, activity-based costing (ABC), and ABM to analyze and control supply chain costs. It employs industry survey data to examine whether these techniques are being used in real life, which factors affect their usage in the supply chain, and whether they are producing results. Combining survey results with game theory, the authors suggest cost reduction strategies for competitive environments and predict the outcomes of these strategies. This cost-effective system helps businesses remain competitive and profitable. Supply Chain Cost Control Using Activity-Based Management shows the importance of partnerships in applying ABM principles to suppliers and demonstrates the positive results that ABM can have on elements of the TCO.

Cost Management in Supply Chains - Stefan Seuring 2013-03-09 Supply Chain Management and Cost Management are important developments helping companies to respond to increased global competition and demanding customer needs. Within the 23 chapters of the book, more than 35 authors provide insights into new concepts for cost control in supply chains. The frameworks presented are illustrated with case studies from the automotive, textile, white goods, and transportation industry as well as from retailing. Academics will benefit from the wide range of approaches presented, while practitioners will learn from the examples how their own company and the supply chains which they compete in, can be brought to lower costs and better performance.

Activity-Based Costing in Supply Chain Cost Management Decision Support Systems - Amir H. Khataie 2011 Activity-based costing and management (ABC/M) is an accounting and management approach that enhances the level of understanding about business operation costs, especially the overhead costs. ABC/M generates more reliable and precise cost information compared to those of traditional cost accounting (TCA) systems. The integration of ABC/M in supply chain (SC) mathematical decision support models can elucidate the managerial aspects of ABC/M more as an accounting and management tool. Most of the supply chain (SC) order management decision support systems (DSSs) developed so far are based mainly on the material flow and capacity constraints without considering the profitability factor. This thesis first presents a profitable-to-promise (PTP) multi-objective mixed-integer programming (MIP) model which considers profitability in order to effectively manage order acceptance decisions in supply chains, subject to capacity constraints by using ABC/M. The proposed model fulfills a desirable amount of orders completely and accepts a selective number of orders partially having the objective of minimizing the amount of residual capacity and increasing the profitability simultaneously. Because of the common disadvantages that traditional operations research (OR) approaches have such as, complexity in modeling, impossibility of integrating qualitative factors, and inability of on-time model result analysis, the thesis presents a new generic DSS modeling methodology with system dynamics (SD) and based on ABC/M cost structure. The approach presented results a novel real-time cost monitoring and analysis system. SD is a dynamic simulation approach with learning ability to investigate the status changes in the system that correspond to the system variables' changes as well as their interactions amongst them. Subsequently, the thesis elaborates on both models by integrating them and introducing them as hybrid (MIP-SD) decision support system. In the hybrid system, MIP model generates the order management policy and SD model monitors the cost behavior of each implemented policy during the implementation process. The main purpose is to show how ABC/M acts as a common cost accounting, information, and managerial approach to synchronize the two mentioned models and to introduce the combination as a hybrid DSS system. In general, the approach provides the order fulfillment optimal mix aligned with the implementation strategy considering the factors such as, minimizing the residual capacity, considering the customer satisfaction level, selling price, the cost of resources incurred for each order fulfillment policy, and the share of each product and/or order from manufacturing overhead costs. Such an approach can assist management to analyzing and foreseeing the consequences and outcome of each order fulfillment strategy chosen besides finding the optimal order fulfillment combination.
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Understanding Activity Based Costing and Supply Chain Management - Gary Cokins 2000

Supply Chain Cost Management - Jimmy Anklesaria 2008 'Supply Chain' takes readers step-by-step through the process, showing them how to move beyond negotiation and identify critical costs in the supply chain, measure secondary and tertiary costs, develop strategic options, implement an action plan and continually improve and modify the process.

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Connective Technologies in the Supply Chain - Sameer Kumar 2007-03-05 Rapid time-to-market expectations and the demand for custom-tailored products present real challenges for the rigid and fixed linear supply chains that compete in today's economy. Connective technologies meet these challenges head on by integrating the necessary people, information, and products beyond their current limitations. Connective Technologies in the Supply Chain illustrates the impact that connective technologies have across supply chains. It provides strategic frameworks, conceptual and analytical models, and case studies that focus on the design, development, and implementation of these technologies as they pertain to the management of engineering and manufacturing operations. Placing particular emphasis on RFID, the book addresses issues that include those involving GPS, inventory management, quality control, mobile technology, and security challenges. The book presents an overview of RFID applications, its underlying concepts and principles, and a macro perspective on its implementation in the manufacturing and service sectors. It also provides a feasible design of the technology's enabled knowledge-based supply chain management system. Connective Technologies in the Supply Chain is an essential resource for those who would like to expand their knowledge of-and increase their success with-these applications.

Activity-Based Cost Management - Gary Cokins 2002-04-22 Proven strategy for reducing production and operating costs while increasing profits. As the growth of the Internet shifts power to consumers, the pressure on companies to keep prices low will continue to mount. Increasingly corporations are relying on "margin management" and supply chain management as a means of keeping prices low while raising profits. Activity-based costing and management (ABC/M) data is key to succeeding in both these critical management strategies. This book explains how executives can effectively use the information furnished by cutting-edge ABC/M systems. The author, an acknowledged expert in the field, clearly defines the ABC/M system and explains how to use the information it provides for best results. He provides a rational framework for understanding the fifteen key defining characteristics of ABC/M and arms readers with an ABC/M Readiness Assessment test along with extremely user-friendly exhibits.

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