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# Makers of Dies, Molds, or One-Off Machined Products (Valid through 4/15/13) 

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This form is for plants whose primary business is making one-off machined items, such as dies, molds, or prototypes. If more than $\mathbf{5 0 \%}$ of your sales are of repetitive parts or products, made in volumes of at least several units, then this is the wrong form for you. Use our Machined Parts and Assemblies form instead. Call us, or go to www.performancebenchmarking.org to download the appropriate form.

- Please try to report all of your data (financial and other) for the same 12-month period, preferably calendar 2011.
- Please indicate currency units if not U.S. Dollars: $\qquad$
- If you operate more than one plant, please provide data for each plant separately.


## Company Contact Person

Contact Person:
Company Name:
(This is how it will appear on your report.)
Address: $\qquad$
City/Town: $\qquad$
State/Province: $\qquad$
Country/Postal Code: $\qquad$
Phone: $\qquad$
Fax: $\qquad$
E-Mail: $\qquad$
Plant Location (If Different)
City/Town: $\qquad$
State/Province: $\qquad$
Country: $\qquad$
Please keep a copy of this questionnaire in the event that we need to contact you for clarification.

## If less than $50 \%$ of your sales are of one-off items such as dies, molds, or prototypes, this is the wrong form for you. Please use our Machined Parts and Assemblies form instead.

| Plant Information: <br> What do you make at this plant? Using what processes? What materials? For what types of customers? | 1. (You must provide a written description.) |
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| Please enter your industry code (whether U.S. SIC, NAICS, or other classification system), if you know it. | 2. $\square$ SIC $\square$ NAICS $\square$ Other |
| Is this the only location of your company? <br> [If no:] How many people work at your company, at all of its locations world-wide? | 3. Only location? $\square$ Yes $\square$ No <br> [If no:] 4. Total company employment (check one box): $\square$ 1-19 $\square$ 20-99 <br> $\square 1$ $\square$ 100-499 $\square$ 1500+ |
| Which do you consider to be your core business(es)? | 5. Progressive Dies <br> 6. Transfer Dies <br> 7. Line Dies <br> 8. Diecast Dies <br> 9. Other Dies <br> 10. Molds <br> 11. Prototypes or Other One-Off <br> Machined Products |
| Please describe the range of work you did in the past year on your one-to-an-order type jobs. Roughly what was your average or typical invoice size? Roughly what about your lowest-invoice job? What about your highest invoice job? | 12. Typical /Average 13. Low Invoice Size 14. High Invoice Size <br> Invoice Size $\$$ $\$$ |
| Approximately what percent of your sales fall into each of the following categories? <br> [If your answer to Q15 is less than $\mathbf{5 0 \%}$, this is the wrong form for you. Use our Machined Parts and Assemblies form instead.] | - Engineer-to-Order (one-of-a-kind items: dies, prototypes, special machines, etc.) <br> 15. $\qquad$ \% <br> - Job Shop Products and Services (short-term or non-repeating orders) <br> 16. $\qquad$ _\% <br> - Make-to-Order Jobs Run Regularly (longterm, repeating orders) <br> 17. $\qquad$ \% <br> - Make-to-Stock Work <br> 18. $\qquad$ <br> Total (should sum to 100 ) \% \% |
| In the past year, approximately what percent of sales were to consumers, institutions, wholesalers, or retailers (i.e., NOT to other manufacturers)? | 19. $\ldots$ \% sales NOT to manufacturers |
| In the past year, roughly what percent of your sales were: | - Defense/military-related? <br> - Medical/healthcare-related? |
| In the past year, roughly what percent of your sales were to customers in the following industries? | - Automotive <br> 22. $\qquad$ \% <br> - Aircraft/Aerospace <br> - Computer, Communications, or Electronic Equipment <br> 24. $\qquad$ \% |
| In the past year, what percent of your sales were from: | - Products you didn't make three years ago? 25. $\qquad$ \% <br> - Customers you didn't serve three years ago? 26. $\qquad$ \% <br> - Industries you didn't serve three years ago? 27. $\qquad$ \% |
| In the past year, what percent of your sales were shipped outside your home continent or trade area (e.g., North America/NAFTA, European Union, Asia/Pacific, etc.)? | 28. _ \% sales exported beyond trade area |
| Financial: <br> What were your total sales at this location in the past year? (Use calendar 2010 or your most recent fiscal year.) What were your sales two years earlier (i.e., calendar 2008)? | Annual Sales: <br> - Calendar 2010 or most recent fiscal year <br> - Two years earlier (e.g., 2008) |
| Receivables: <br> On average during the past year, what were your receivables - the amount that your customers owed you? | 31. \$ |

## Labor Costs:

What was your total payroll in the past year? (Include payments for Social Security, Medicare, bonuses, and overtime. Exclude payments for health care, pension plans, and other fringe benefits. Also exclude any payments made to people who are not your employees.)

How much of payroll was for :

What was the average wage rate, excluding overtime, for hourly shop employees (from Q32)? Please include all skill/seniority levels in this average.
What were your expenses for health care, pension plans, workers' comp, and other fringe benefits not included in payroll? How much of those expenses were for:

- Factory employees (working in the shop or in design/engineering)?
- Non-factory employees?

What did you spend for temporary or contract personnel in the past year? How much of your spending was for:

- Factory temps (working in the shop or in design/engineering)?
- Non-factory temps?


## Purchases from Other Firms and Locations:

In the past year, how much did you spend on purchased raw material, parts, supplies, and perishable tools? (Do not include energy costs here.) Approximately what percent of these purchases were from supplier locations outside your home continent or trade area (e.g., North America/NAFTA, European Union, Asia/Pacific, etc.)?
In the past year, how much did you spend on services you paid others to provide? How much of this spending was for:

- Manufacturing-related services? (e.g., subcontracted processing, outside repair \& maintenance, design services, waste disposal, etc.) Include factory insurance and property taxes here.
- Non-manufacturing-related services? (e.g., outside payroll, legal, and accounting services; phone, postage, shipping, sales commissions to non-employees, etc.)
In the past year, how much did you spend on energy, across all fuels (electricity, natural gas, fuel oil, etc.)?
What percent of that was for the factory (i.e., not for the office)?


## Plant \& Equipment Costs:

In the past year, what were your expenses for depreciation, rent, and leases? Be sure to include: 1) depreciation \& amortization of factory buildings \& equipment you own; 2) factory rent; and 3) factory equipment lease payments.
Roughly what is the replacement value of all the machines and equipment you use? Please include the value of machines that you lease as well as those you own. By replacement value, we mean that if you use a 20 -year-old machine, how much it would cost to replace it with a roughly identical 20 -year-old machine. (Please do NOT include the value of your building or land, and do NOT report book value.)

## Quoting and Estimating

Which cost components do you calculate separately for each new job? Which costs do you sometimes calculate, but only for unusual jobs? Which costs do you roll into your hourly billing rates? Check NA for any costs that do not apply to your business, or for items that are bought and owned directly by your customers ("consigned"). - direct material - tools, punches, fixtures, etc. - engineering/design labor - factory indirect labor - order processing - inventory holding costs
32. Hourly employees who work on the shop floor? \$
33. All others who work in the shop or factory
(e.g., foremen \& supervisors) plus all design/ engineering staff?
\$
$\qquad$
34. All other non-shop, non-engineering employees?
\$
Total Payroll (Q32+Q33+Q34)
\$
36. Avg. hourly wage $\$$
per hour
37. $\$$ $\qquad$ factory employees
38. \$ $\qquad$ non-factory employees
39. \$ $\qquad$ factory temps
40. \$ $\qquad$ non-factory temps
41. \$ $\qquad$ raw material, parts, supplies
42. $\qquad$ \% not from home continent or trade area
43. $\qquad$ manufacturing services
44. \$ $\qquad$ non-manufacturing services
45. \$ $\square$ energy costs
46. $\qquad$ \% for factory
47. $\$$ $\qquad$ depreciation, rent, and lease payments
48. \$ $\qquad$ machinery/equipment replacement value

| Calculated <br> Separately <br> for Each Job | Calculated <br> for Special <br> Jobs | Included in <br> Usual Hourly <br> Billing Rates | NA |
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## Order Processing, Scheduling and Delivery:

Is yours a business that requires almost no inventory? By this we mean that you do work on consigned material or components, so that most inventory is on your customers' books and not on yours.

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| How much total inventory (raw, WIP, and final) did you have on hand at the end of the past year? <br> How much total inventory at the beginning of the year? | 56. \$ $\qquad$ year-end inventory <br> 57. \$ $\qquad$ beginning-of-year inventory |
| In the past year, what percent of your deliveries were made on time? What percent of deliveries made by your suppliers were made on time? | 58. $\qquad$ \% deliveries you made on time <br> 59. $\square$ \% deliveries your suppliers made on time |
| How much did you spend in the past year on "premium freight" charges for which customers did not reimburse you? | 60. \$ premium freight |
| In the past year, to what extent did you "bump" work from your planned production schedules in order to get "rush" or "hot" jobs done on time? That is, roughly what percent of shop labor hours were spent doing "rush" tasks that required bumping other previously-scheduled work? | 61. $\qquad$ $\%$ of shop labor hours that bumped scheduled work <br> [If you do not schedule jobs, enter NA.] |
| What percent of your sales were from orders you got over the internet? What percent of your purchases were made over the internet? | 62. $\qquad$ $\%$ of sales from internet orders <br> 63. $\qquad$ $\%$ of purchases made over internet |
| Are your order entry and/or production scheduling system(s) integrated with EDI or the internet, so that orders can be processed and scheduled automatically, without human intervention? | 64. Integrated with EDI or the internet? $\square$ Yes $\square$ No |
| Human Resources: <br> On average in the past year, how many individuals worked at this location? Please include part-time and contract labor. (If your employment counts changed significantly over the past year, please be careful to report AVERAGE, not YEAR-END counts.) | 65. $\qquad$ average number of individuals working at this location |
| How many of these personnel (from Q65) were your own employees (for whom you issued a W2), i.e., not contract personnel? | 66. employees |
| During the past year, how many of your employees (from Q66) quit? How many were terminated for reasons other than lack of business? | 67. $\qquad$ employees quitting <br> 68. $\qquad$ employees terminated |
| How many of your total personnel (from Q65) were hourly people who worked on the shop floor? <br> How many of your shop floor workers (from Q69): <br> - Were represented by labor unions? <br> - Were covered by company-subsidized health insurance, for which you paid at least $\$ 3000$ per worker? | 69. $\qquad$ hourly shop floor personnel <br> Number of these shop floor workers: <br> 70. $\qquad$ in unions <br> 71. $\qquad$ for whom you paid $>=\$ 3000 / \mathrm{yr}$ in health premiums |
| On average in the past year, how many hours per week did these shop workers (from Q69) work? | 72. __ average hours per week, per worker |
| In the past year, roughly what percent of your shop labor time was spent doing work manually or with hand tools? That is, what percent was spent doing manual or hand-tool assembly, packaging, finishing, or other light manufacturing work? | 73. $\qquad$ \% shop labor time doing manual or hand-tool work |
| In the past year, what percent of your personnel at this location (from Q65) used a computer or programmable machine controller at least once a week as part of their job? | 74. $\qquad$ \% personnel using computer or programmable machine controller |
| Design and Manufacturing: <br> In the past year, roughly what percent of your sales were design-andbuild jobs? By "design-and-build," we mean you had responsibility for designing the tool or prototype, NOT building to someone else's print. | 75. _ \% sales from design-and-build jobs |
| In the past year, did you do any solid modeling at this location? Did you do any computer-aided engineering (CAE) analyses, such as finite element analysis, circle grid analysis, mold flow analysis, or kinematics? | 76. Solid modeling? $\square$ Yes $\square$ No <br> 77. CAE analysis? $\square$ Yes $\square$ No |
| In the past year, what percent of your labor hours (in design/engineering and in the shop) were due to customer-initiated engineering changes? | 78. $\qquad$ \% design/engineering <br> 79. $\qquad$ \% shop labor hours |
| How many regular-use, metal-removal machines (lathes, mills, EDMs, etc.) do you have? <br> Please describe their age and features. | Regular-use, metal-removal machines 80. <br> Number of these that are:  <br> $-\quad$ Less than 5 years old  <br> $-\quad$ 5+ years, but upgraded 81. <br> $-\quad$ 20+ years old and not upgraded 82. <br> - 3-or-more axis 83. <br> - NC/CNC 84. <br> -Programmable, with CAM programs <br> generated from CAD models 85. |



