Amphenol Corporation: Expanding Facility Capabilities

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Abstract: Amphenol IPC is currently expanding the capabilities of their headquarters in Endicott, New York. In order to contribute to these efforts, this project has three main deliverables. The first deliverable is to create a Simio model using information obtained through time studies. The model results show estimated worker and machine utilizations as well as build times of new prototypes. These results can be used to help quote new projects, determine the placement of workers, and determine the batch size for each project. The model has been verified as it runs the way it was intended but cannot be validated due to restrictions. The second deliverable is to provide three clear methods of waste reduction based on research and observations of the operations occurring in the manufacturing area. The final deliverable is to design a process flow and value stream map for a new warehouse and distribution area within the facility.

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