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# Example of Senior Cost Accountant Job Description

Our growing company is searching for experienced candidates for the position of senior cost accountant. We appreciate you taking the time to review the list of qualifications and to apply for the position. If you don’t fill all of the qualifications, you may still be considered depending on your level of experience.

## Responsibilities for senior cost accountant

* Provide financial analysis of manufacturing processes to drive key performance
* Determines the appropriate data to collect to provide the most insightful data to guide decision making
* Develops and conducts complex cost audits and cost analyses
* Conducts capital budgeting reviews
* Analyzes cost variances, determines root causes, and prepares recommendations and alternatives for improvements
* Identifies data analysis needs, and works with appropriate departments to obtain the data on a regular basis
* Prepares analyses and drafts materials presenting strategic recommendations to be made to management
* Responsible for product costing for all new and existing products
* Ad hoc assignments that improve financial and operational processes
* Trouble shoots existing accounting systems to correct problems

## Qualifications for senior cost accountant

* Masters degree, CPA and/or CMA designation is viewed favorably
* A minimum of 3 years of relevant work experience in Inventory and Cost Accounting
* Experience in Lean/Six Sigma is a strong plus
* Ability to respond quickly and positively to change acting as a change catalyst
* Maintains robust controls as applicable including account reconciliations, DOA/Approvals
* Responsible for setting the standard for the annual operating plan relevant to the local site