EPMA optimizes the Project Manage-
ment (PPM) of a leading manufacturer of oil-drilling equipment by demonstrating their process and guiding them in managing projects and resources. The result of the optimization, EPMA implemented Microsoft Project Server to meet the organizational needs of a small organization that was experiencing sudden growth, identified crucial areas that would continue to impact their projects, even after a successful implementation of Microsoft Project Server.

Additional challenges that EPMA identified for the client included:
- The drilling-equipment manufacturer had outgrown its simple project management solution and looked to EPMA to help integrate a powerful PPM tool to address the limited project capacity and planning.
- The client needed a more robust PPM tool to address the limited project capacity and planning.
- Well trained project managers both within the client and the clients parent organization.
- Project schedules did not accurately reflect resource planned work.
- Project tracking, EPMA identified several key deficiencies in the client's project management processes.

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- The team at EPMA is always willing to help with any issue, no matter how big or small, they are always quick to resolve our issues.
- Well trained project managers both within the client and their clients parent organization.
- Detailed resource reports for resource planning, project managers, financial planners, and executives.
- Reduced manual effort by avoiding administrative activities.

Within just a few months, the client's preferred pace, worked hand-in-hand with the client's existing IT staff, and provided post-implementation support. The cooperative effort lead to:
- Improved project schedules that aligned with stakeholder goals, more efficiently track project costs and improved resource tracking.
- Accurate reporting of resource time and improved resource tracking.
- Increased productivity of the entire PMO.
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