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Don has been involved in supply chain for over twenty years. His career in Supply Chain has spanned the following industries; medical supplies, garment manufacturing (Perry Ellis), beverage (Pepsico / Tropicana) and the past nine years at Duke Energy. During his time at each one of these companies, he has been involved in "MRO" purchasing; contract sourcing, and capital equipment sourcing. The vast majority of his supply chain experience has been in a manufacturing and output environment. This has provided him valuable insight on how critical supply chain is to a company's success. As suppliers and contractors consolidate, and technology evolves, effective purchasing and sourcing is even more critical to limit risk, extract value, and control costs.