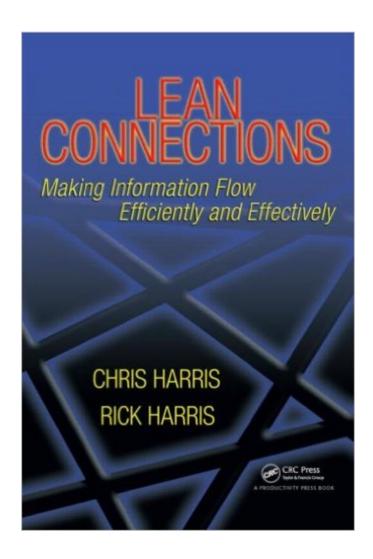
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# Lean Connections: Making Information Flow Efficiently And Effectively





## **Synopsis**

Dependable information flow is a necessary prerequisite to the successful implementation of lean production principles. But while most managers understand how to make materials and manpower flow, the flow of information tends to be much more underdeveloped. Even companies that excel at recognizing waste and are otherwise adept at implementing the principles of lean production are often challenged to provide satisfactory information flow. Lean Connections: Making Information Flow Efficiently and Effectively isdesigned to help you rethink the way your organization views information flow. It provides the building blocks of a comprehensive information-flow system, showing you calculations and methods that will allow you to get the necessary information to those individuals who need it, when they need it. Following a logical and detailed progression, this manual shows how to make information flow in lean production facilityâ • From the end customer through materials control to the production floor On the production floor at the operator, team, and value stream level And then from the production floor to the management of the facility Employing a workbook format, this manual follows RNA Manufacturing, a fictional company, through its implementation of a comprehensive lean production system. As the authors outline RNAâ ™s methods and thought processes, they employ exercises that ask questions about your own production system. Your challenge is to think deeply about the answers, as well as the changes that need to be made to effectively make information flow through your facility. Make certain that everyone gets the information that they need when they need it

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"Lean Connections" is a great reference for planning/improving information flow in your Lean enterprise. Shingo Prize winning authors Chris and Rick Harris have another "winner" in their contributions to Lean literature. The red workbook "Creating Continuous Flow" (Rick Harris) set the standard for explaining how to line-balance, calculate the correct amount of operators, and distribute the work to achieve true continuous flow. The green workbook "Making Materials Flow" (Rick & Chris Harris) was ground-breaking in describing how to setup timed material-delivery tugger routes and supermarkets in order to enable operators to be more productive."Lean Connections: Making Information Flow Efficiently and Effectively" defines how to flow information in its many forms while giving detailed examples of each application. The various types of information flow covered in this workbook are: level production scheduling, purchased parts consumption, real-time status of quality and uptime, standardized work to the operator, hour-by-hour production status, etc. Also included are detailed descriptions of standardized work audits, as well as the "glass wall", which displays the current health of each value stream in a facility. I highly recommend all Lean enthusiasts to add "Lean Connections" to their libraries; this well-written workbook is a top-notch reference that goes hand-in-hand with the implementation methods depicted in other powerful books coming out of Harris Lean Systems. Great work, Chris and Rick; Sam Frazier Director-Global Lean EnterprisePentair Technical Products

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