WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY
Director, Supply Chain Planning & Analytics

Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (“WMATA”) was formed in 1967 to develop, finance and operate public transportation in the Washington metropolitan area. WMATA’s service area extends throughout a 1,500 square mile area in Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia. Today, WMATA operates Metrorail, Metrobus and MetroAccess paratransit services for a total population of four million and is consistently ranked among the top transit agencies by ridership. In 2016, commuters, visitors and other community members made over 179.5 million trips on MetroRail and over 123.5 million trips on MetroBus. More than one-third of the federal government’s workforce chooses WMATA for transportation.

WMATA is governed by a 16-member Board of Directors with eight voting members and eight alternate directors. Maryland, the District of Columbia, Virginia and the federal government each appoint two voting members and two alternates.

WMATA is seeking a Director of Supply Chain Planning & Analytics (“Director”). The Director reports to the Managing Director of Supply Chain Management and is responsible for leading WMATA’s materials and supplies integrated planning and supply chain analytics team to achieve agency operational performance and financial objectives. S/he helps integrate a Vendor Managed Inventory (VMI) program aimed at reducing inventory levels and providing better parts availability. Key responsibilities include managing demand, providing Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) and analytics, creating forecasts, and directing continuous improvement initiatives to streamline processes.

The Director designs and leads WMATA’s supply chain planning and analytics organization, including supporting the implementation of vendor managed inventory, the development of supply planning and analytics team, and supporting the supply chain organization with data governance, detailed analysis, planning forecast, and additional financial and budget related support. S/he coordinates with the engineering specification teams within operations to ensure the supply chain and analytics organization is aligned with engineering, maintenance and all other supporting functions. The Director also works with the Information Technology (IT) team, maintenance team and engineering to develop a model using application forecast data to accurately depict demand needs.

The Director is responsible for leading the team to enhance parts planning processes and improve material and procurement practices, and for working with VMI to ensure they are meeting the department needs. S/he also supports the Managing Director, Supply Chain Management in leading the Supply Chain Governance Steering Committee.

The Director facilitates the preparation of supply chain reporting for executive leadership, performance management, budget reporting, maintenance and repair, and material and supplies team. The reporting provides accurate analytics, financials, and other data to support supply chain improvement, materials and supplies projects, critical organization decisions, and budget completion. The Director is responsible for aligning business initiatives, strategies, and information to support organizational priorities and/or other department directives.

The ideal candidate for Director of Supply Chain Planning & Analytics will have the following skillset:
SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

- Knowledge of or the ability to quickly learn WMATA’s operations, rules, and procedures.
- Knowledge of industry leading lean supply chain principles and supply chain operation processes including demand planning, sales and operations planning and supply planning.
- Understanding of and ability to develop and analyze mathematical concepts for financial budgeting, reporting and analysis.
- In-depth understanding of transportation operations including common transportation language or jargon.
- Excellent written and oral communication skills and the ability to interact with staff, internal and external stakeholders.
- Skilled at using demand planning/forecasting applications – Maximo, SAP APO, Oracle Demantra, JDA Demand – preferably as a user.
- Strong ability to dissect and design operational processes and develop strategies to drive process improvement.
- Ability to influence others, work with leadership from multiple departments, solve challenges with minimal direction, and lead an organization through a transformation.
- Experience with or understanding of the following tools: Maximo, SAP APO, Oracle Demantra, and JDA Demand applications; Personal Computers, Fax, Printers; and Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Outlook, Excel).

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Bachelor’s degree in Business, Finance, Supply Chain or Economics plus a minimum of eight (8) years’ experience in Operations, Sales, Sales Operations, Finance or Supply Chain Planning; experience must include a minimum of five (5) years in a management capacity within a maintenance & repair or consumer products planning business.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:

Master’s degree in Business Administration, Master of Science or Master of Supply Chain.

For additional information or to submit a resume, please contact Gregg A. Moser at gmoser@kapartners.com.

WMATA is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer. All qualified applicants receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, gender, gender identity, age, sexual orientation, genetic information, physical or mental disability, or status as a protected veteran, or any other status protected by applicable federal law, except where a bona fide occupational qualification exists. Our hiring process is designed to be accessible and free from discrimination.