

650 MEDICAL ASSEMBLIES. ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE ACHIEVED AT 66% LOWER COST.



# **GOAL**

A TIER ONE MEDICAL COMPANY DESIGNED
AND PRODUCED A WIDE RANGE OF
MEDICAL DEVICES IN 13 DIFFERENT
BUSINESS UNITS. LEGISLATION REQUIRED
THEM TO PROVE THAT THEIR DESIGNS
WERE COMPLIANT WITH ROHS, WEEE,
REACH AND OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL
STANDARDS WITHIN 6 MONTHS. THE TASK
WAS ESTIMATED AT 366 MAN WEEKS.

## THE CHALLENGE

The medical systems were designed in 13 global business units which were using different design processes and tools. Over 75,000 component part numbers were designed into more than 650 assemblies. It was estimated that the task would require a resource investment of 366 man weeks. Without any experience in environmental compliance legislation, the OEM was facing a daunting task and the 6 month deadline for compliance was fast approaching.

#### **WHY SANMINA**

Sanmina was already manufacturing the customer's systems in production facilities around the globe. The customer saw evidence of how Sanmina's engineering service had successfully helped many other customers achieve environmental compliance. Sanmina's centralized approach meant that the work required for the all 650 systems designed in 13 different design centers could be completed in parallel.

### **SANMINA'S APPROACH**

Sanmina's central environmental compliance organization assigned a program manager and team to the project.

- The bill of material and approved manufacturer list for each product were verified with all the design centers.
- All components were loaded into Sanmina's proprietary environmental compliance database.
- Duplicate components used in multiple systems and analysis
  of the specifications for 75,000 components reduced the
  research task to a set of 45,000 common parts.

- Sanmina conducted an extensive supplier survey for the 45,000 components to determine the compliance status for a range or environmental directives including:
  - EU RoHS 2011/65/EU amended to Directive 2015/863
  - REACH (EC) 1907/2006
  - California Proposition 65
  - Battery Substance Restrictions
  - Other Legislations including CLP, TSCA, POPs, Biocidal Products Regulation (EU) No 528/2012
  - Industry Restricted and Declarable Substances
- Sanmina's proprietary application managed the supplier survey ensuring that compliance for each component was recorded.

## THE RESULTS

- Using Sanmina's centralized environmental compliance service, the task was completed with 66% less labor than if the customer had undertaken the project themselves.
- Sanmina helped the customer to certify compliance for more than 650 systems using 75,000 components within only 6 months.
- There were no interruptions to production or shipments.



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