



Purchasing Specialist

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Aerovel is seeking an experienced Purchasing Specialist to join our team and be a key contributor to our Supply Chain and Operations team. This dynamic position requires someone interested in working in a small team environment with a dynamic pace and broad responsibilities. The prospective candidate will be a self-starter with a demonstrated record of hands on contribution, curiosity, and development.

Aerovel is led by the aeronautical veterans who invented and developed the Group 2 small tactical unmanned aerial system (STUAS), a backbone of US military and allied intelligence, surveillance, target acquisition and reconnaissance (ISTAR) missions worldwide. The Group 2 UAS systems have contributed significantly to the effectiveness of US and allied troops as well as their safety and security. Aerovel Flexrotor is the most advanced STUAS with vertical take-off and landing (VTOL). It is designed for the demanding reliability and specifications required by the US Department of Defense (DOD) while being affordable for commercial applications.

Aerovel offers competitive compensation and benefits including health insurance and 401k. This position is on-site in Bingen, WA.

JOB DESCRIPTION

- Provide both tactical and strategic purchasing leadership and action
- Manage the life cycle of the procurement process, generating RFQ's, negotiating and issuing contracts and ensuring accurate and on-time delivery from the supply chain
- Ensure supply chain effectivity through strong data driven metrics and proactive communication
- Negotiate favorable contracts and terms including price, quality, and lead time. Includes coordination for new product release integration into the supply chain
- Work closely with engineers to identify improvement opportunities, including DFM activities, long term strategic agreements and strategic supplier relationships
- Strong attention to detail and sense of ownership in communication and end product work

QUALIFICATIONS & EXPERIENCE

- Education: Bachelor's degree in Procurement, Supply Chain, Business or equivalent with 5+ years progressive purchasing, procurement, and experience.
- ISM, APICS or related professional certification desirable

- Experience utilizing engineering drawings and CAD models for quoting, sourcing, and purchasing materials and equipment
- Proficiency with MRP/ERP software and systems; experience using Deltek software preferred
- Personal knowledge of effective supply chain management
- Strong interpersonal and leadership skills working in a diverse technology driven environment
- Demonstrated negotiating experience
- Experience managing contracts and agreements
- Hands on knowledge of supplier performance monitoring to drive cost, quality, and delivery
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills with demonstrated proficiency using data analytics tools

WEBSITE

- aerovel.com

If you have what it takes to do groundbreaking work with unmanned aerial systems, please send your resume and cover letter to jobs@aerovel.com

Aerovel is committed to a diverse workforce. As an Equal Opportunity Employer we provide equal opportunity to all persons, regardless of race, religion, age, gender, disability, status as a protected veteran, national origin, color, or any other classification in accordance with federal, state, and local statutes, regulations and ordinances. Veterans are encouraged to self-identify as Aerovel desires to provide protected veterans priority referrals for open positions. Aerovel complies with all laws and regulations associated with the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA).