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IES' Business Growth & Innovation Services has helped dozens of NC manufacturers with growth projects such as exporting, web page enhancement, and innovation. Kevin has attended the Innovation Engineering Leadership Institute and also the three-day Innovation Engineering Black Belt training course. He has also completed training and projects in technology scouting.

Kevin specializes in quality system development using tools such as Six Sigma, lean manufacturing, the Malcolm Baldrige criteria, and ISO 9000. He instructs both Six Sigma Green Belt and Black Belt classes for

NC State University and consults with companies on Six Sigma implementation. Kevin has served 12 terms as a Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award Examiner, most recently as a Senior Alumni Examiner. He also has served the NC Awards for Excellence program for more than five years.

Kevin gained 15 years of experience at two Fortune 100 companies in quality management, engineering management, and facilities engineering positions. His roles included plant environmental coordinator, plant safety team leader, and ISO 9000 management representative. He was also a deployment champion for Total Productive Maintenance and directed all aspects of an ISO 9001 program.

Kevin presents at state and national conferences on subjects such as Six Sigma, Baldrige, measurement system analysis, TPM, and lean manufacturing. He was a contributing author to the Encyclopedia of Statistics in Quality & Reliability (Wiley, 2007) and has also published in the Kauffman Collection: Efficient Manufacturing Strategies series for kauffman.org as well as co-authored Six Sigma training materials used and copyrighted by NC State University.

Kevin has B.S. degrees in both electrical engineering and economics from NC State University, an MBA from Brenau University, and an M.S. in electrical engineering from UNC-Charlotte. Kevin is certified with ASQ as a Certified Quality Engineer (CQE), a Certified Quality Auditor (CQA), and as a Certified Six Sigma Black Belt (CSSBB) and Master Black Belt (MBB) from NC State. Kevin is a certified Plexus Trainer-Coach for both ISO 9000, QS 9000, and TS 16949.