

## SENIOR ACCOUNTANT

### Summary

SEASONED PROFESSIONAL WITH A PROVEN ABILITY TO PERFORM CRITICAL ACCOUNTING FUNCTIONS TO MEET BUSINESS NEEDS AND ENSURE REGULATORY COMPLIANCE FOR CORPORATIONS IN ENERGY INDUSTRY (POWER, GAS, CRUDE/FUEL OIL AND OTHERS). IN-DEPTH KNOWLEDGE OF ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES, INCLUDING COMMODITY AND CASH SETTLEMENTS, TAX/FINANCIAL PLANNING, FISCAL ANALYSIS, ACCOUNT RECONCILIATION, MONTH/YEAR-END CLOSING, COMPLIANCE MANAGEMENT. FAST LEARNER WITH EXCEPTIONAL COMMUNICATION AND INTERPERSONAL SKILLS; ABLE TO BUILD RELATIONSHIPS WITH INDIVIDUALS AT ALL LEVELS-FROM FRONT-LINE STAFF TO THE CEO. TECH-SAVVY, PEOPLE-ORIENTED LEADER WITH 15+ YEARS IN ACCOUNTING AND PRIOR EXPERIENCE AS PART OF A LANDMARK FOOD SERVICE FAMILY BUSINESS IN HOUSTON. AREAS OF EMPHASIS: Accounting Management (AP, AR, GL) Budget, Performance & Variance Analysis Commodity Settlements Internal & External Audits SOX Compliance System Implementation & Optimization P&L Analysis & Reporting Gathering, Processing & Analyzing Data Internal & Fiscal Controls Financial Statement Preparation Cash Management & Account Reconciliation Tax Planning & Management ASPIRE (Accountability, Safety, Passion, Integrity, Respect & Esprit de Corp)

### Highlights

MS Office, Oracle, Hyperion, Hyperion Retrieve, SAP, MerrillReports, DST, Bloomberg, PeopleSoft, IDC, Seagate Crystal Reports, Fundstation, Nucleus, Allegro, Citrix, A/P and A/R EDMS

### Experience

March 2006 to June 2014

Company Name City , State Senior Accountant

- Managed accounting functions for power and gas company with a fleet of highly efficient power plants (93 natural gas and natural gas/steam cogeneration plants currently in operation or under construction) that provide 29K megawatts of clean, reliable electricity in 20 US states and Canada.
- Managed and executed accounting, treasury and administrative functions in fast-paced setting.
- Performed month-end close, journal entries (including non-standard entries), account and balance sheet reconciliations, variance analysis and forecasting functions.
- Executed commodity settlements to resolve pricing disputes, volume variances and other issues.
- Drafted invoices based on contractual agreements, and reported status and activity of Northeast U.S.
- plants to corporate offices.
- Prepared FERC reporting for plants with routine and non-routine accruals.
- Interacted with IT, scheduling, deal capture, legal, trading, commercial/ plant/business managers and other teams on daily basis.
- Selected Contributions: Successfully collaborated with plant accountants, gas schedulers and traders in interpreting and resolving challenges that arose between the company's Commercial Group and individual plants.
- Partnered with the Credit Group in managing prepayment and margin settlements, and coordinating long-term deposits.
- Gathered data, validated accuracy and prepared files for estimates, journal entries, recurring transactions and other financial management and accounting tasks.
- Planned and facilitated internal and third-party audit procedures, and maintained Sarbanes-Oxley (SOX) documentation to comply with internal controls.
- Expertly reconciled CES Margin Call deposit activity, which involved prepaid accounts and other liabilities, and roll-forward FRS quarterly and yearly schedules.
- As part of month-end closings, researched differences between financial and trading systems, and developed a margin to assist the Financial Accounting team.
- Participated in monthly calls regarding the operational status of plant facilities, and to coordinate complex accounting functions (General Ledger, AP/AR, month/year-end closings and other matters).
- Skillfully reconciled the Nucleus Trading System to PeopleSoft 9.1 financials, and further reconciled data to the GL to accurately document gross margin.

October 2005 to March 2006

Company Name City , State Accountant / Analyst

- Performed accounting activities during a period of significant corporate change, as Borden Chemical, Inc., Resolution Performance Products, LLC and Resolution Specialty Materials, LLC merged with Bakelite AG to form the world's-largest producer of thermosetting resins with more than \$4B in annual revenue.
- Managed accounting processes (AP/AR and account updates/reconciliations) with speed and accuracy.
- Interfaced with vendors and customers in resolving discrepancies and billing issues.
- Trained and mentored newly hired staff.
- Streamlined day-to-day procedures.
- Selected Contributions:.
- Defined and implemented highly efficient A/P processes and documentation.
- Liaised clients to seamlessly initiate Electronic Data Management System (EDMS) functions.

March 2005 to October 2005

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- Prepared quarterly, semiannual and annual financial statements, and oversaw SEC and other regulatory filings for 145 investment portfolios (64 retail funds, 28 variable annuity funds, 32 sub-advised funds, one contractual plan, one separately managed account and seven AIM private asset management portfolios).
- Met financial reporting disclosure requirements.
- Selected Contributions:
- Identified and analyzed accounting and reporting errors, and recommended revisions as well as process improvements to eliminate redundant issues.
- Entrusted with the timely and accurate execution of financial statements and schedules, MD&As, expense ratios, total returns, report production processes, advisor compensation, fee tables, financial information and many other accounting tasks.

July 2000 to August 2004

Company Name City , State Analyst / Rotation

- Conducted pre-bankruptcy accounting and financial analysis, and post-bankruptcy claims compression tasks for former provider of natural gas, electricity and communications products and services to the wholesale and retail markets.
- Prioritized and completed the full range of accounting actions, such as consolidating financial statements, reconciling accounts, preparing balance sheet summaries, schedules and annual reports.
- Coordinated and facilitated audits; systematically isolated, researched and resolved issues.
- Analyzed variances.
- Performed month-end closing processes.
- Enforced GAAP guidelines.
- Assisted in SEC filings.
- Selected Contributions: After bankruptcy proceedings, analyzed, reconciled and negotiated settlements of \$.75B of the company's \$100B+ claims filed against debtor entities, and secured agreements with claimants to resolve claims.
- Cooperated with governmental inquiries/investigations; worked diligently to minimize liabilities.
- Built the foundation for success with Antonio's Flying Pizza and Italian Restaurant, a multigenerational family business and landmark restaurant in Houston.
- Gained valuable experience at all levels of business and financial operations, beginning at the ground floor and advancing to Vice President.

Education

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UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON

City , State Accountancy

BBA GPA: Magna Cum Laude ~ Awarded GPA Improvement Scholarship Accountancy Magna Cum Laude ~ Awarded GPA Improvement Scholarship

Credentials & Training: Notary Public ~ Texas Real Estate Salesperson License ~ ACE Yellow Belt Training ~ CPR Certified ~ Super User Training in PeopleSoft 7.5 to 9.0 ~ Communication and Interpersonal Skills

Personal Information

Active Volunteer, Houston-Chevron Marathon and BP MS 150 (Calpine) . continued.

Languages

Fluent in Italian and dual US and Italian citizen ~ Conversational in Spanish

Skills

accounting, accruals, administrative, AP, A/P, AR, asset management, balance sheet, billing, Bloomberg, Citrix, closing, Interpersonal Skills, CPR Certified, Credit, Seagate Crystal Reports, clients, Data Management, documentation, fast, financials, financial, financial management and accounting, Financial Accounting, financial analysis, financial reporting, financial statements, forecasting, funds, General Ledger, GL, Hyperion, investment management, Italian, legal, managing, Materials, MS Office, natural gas, Notary Public, Oracle, PeopleSoft, PeopleSoft 7.5, PeopleSoft 9.1, pricing, processes, producer, Real Estate, reconciling, reporting, retail, SAP, Sarbanes-Oxley, scheduling, settlements, Spanish, tables, User Training, trading systems, Trading System, treasury, annual reports, year-end

Additional Information

- Community Involvement: Active Volunteer, Houston-Chevron Marathon and BP MS 150 (Calpine) . continued.