

# John Kessberger

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## SUMMARY

Highly experienced hands-on detail oriented manufacturing engineer with strong ability to budget, plan, manage, and execute capital equipment, safety and maintenance projects. Project team leader with proven ability to manage and direct diverse groups of engineers, maintenance technicians, contractors, vendors, IT and operations personnel. Advanced computer skill set including MS Suite, MS Project, Auto-Cad, PLC/HMI design and SAP financial experience.

## KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Managed mechanical/electrical capital equipment and safety projects in two states over 3 years responsible for \$36,000,000 in capital spending. Projects were completed on time while consistently achieving an overall 5% cost reduction against approved project funds.
- Managed and directed Environmental Health and Safety programs in three states across four plants resulting in 40% reduction in recordable accidents, days away and lost work days.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**R. R. Donnelley, Bolingbrook, Illinois** **10/04 – 10/08**  
**Project Manager/Engineering Supervisor**

- Performed all engineering management for on time installation and startup of multiple co-mail and co-pallet manufacturing lines in Bolingbrook, Illinois and York, Pennsylvania.
- Developed and designed logistics warehouse manufacturing layouts, rack systems, operations support/maintenance areas and plant utility systems.
- Responded to short notice mid stream project redirection by engineering redeployment and reinstallation of two manufacturing lines to Bolingbrook, IL logistics facility.
- Managed installation, layout, design and integration of post press turn-key conveyor systems including in line counter/stackers, bundle strappers and shrink-wrap equipment.

**R. R. Donnelley, Pontiac, Illinois** **11/00 – 10/04**  
**Engineering Supervisor**

- Directed all Environmental Health and Safety programs for four divisions representing 1200 personnel with indirect reports of 4 EHS professionals.
- Supervised plant maintenance, central stores and by-products departments with direct reports of 10 hourly personnel.

**R. R. Donnelley, South Daytona, Florida** **7/94 -11/00**  
**Senior Division Engineer**

- Administered installation, test and startup of Windows NT control system. Installed and supported file servers, work stations and SQL database using MS Admin, MS SQL software.
- Engineered installation and startup of post press manufacturing line. Performed all PLC/HMI programming using application software from Modicon, Panelview and Panelmate.

**Brown Printing Co., Waseca, Minnesota** **11/89- 7/94**  
**Systems Engineering Manager**

- Directed development, specification, and design of proprietary post press manufacturing control and mailing system including management of \$2,000,000 capital budget.
- Facilitated pressroom cost reduction program through training and improvements in count systems resulting in 50% reduction in paper waste.

**R. R. Donnelley, Warsaw, Indiana** **1/78 -11/89**  
**Project Engineer**

- Managed installation and support of manufacturing control systems including coordination of vendors, contractors and electrical maintenance technicians.
- Designed firmware for proprietary control system, co-author for patent #4768766.

## EDUCATION

<b>Graduate Courses, Systems Engineering Management</b>	University of St. Thomas, Minneapolis, MN
<b>Bachelor of Science, Electrical Engineering Technology</b>	Purdue University, Ft. Wayne, IN
<b>Associate in Applied Science, Computer Maint. Tech.</b>	Indian Hills Community College, Ottumwa, IA
<b>Undergraduate Courses Mechanical Engineering</b>	University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA